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A qualitative investigation was undertaken based on individual interviews conducted at three primary schools in Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal and Northwest Province. The findings show that functional arrangements in the classroom brought about by rules of conduct democratically determined engender an environment of consideration. The development of a caring environment and the fostering of a philosophy of respect create a sense of belonging that motivates learning engagement. Teachers who strive to be subject experts and who arrange classroom space and activities in such a way to involve all pupils in active participation contribute to self-realisation. A main limitation to classroom management is the lack of providing sufficiently for the learning needs of gifted pupils. The findings contribute to the discourse on classroom management for the sake of optimal learning. Die bevindings dra by tot die diskoers oor klaskamerbestuur ter wille van optimale leer. This accountability prompts teachers to constantly rethink their own practices to accomplish instructional improvement Bush, ; Hallinger, One way in which teachers achieve pupil learning is through constructive classroom approaches that promote an environment for optimal development. In this article the focus is on constructive approaches in the classroom that contribute to optimal learning. Much research has been conducted on classroom practices and the link between classroom practices and pupil achievement Arthur-Kelly et al. What is less reported is the functional structuring of the classroom ecology to ensure a constructive environment for optimal gain. The focus of this article is, therefore, on the arrangement of the classroom environment to ensure optimal learning. As the core mission of the school is not only to ensure that pupils are taught, but also, especially, that they learn, organising the environment for constructive engagement contributes to the discourse on improved teaching and learning. A model for instructional leadership by Hallinger provides a theoretical framework to interpret the findings of the qualitative investigation. Within the context of this study, learning is equated with self-realisation relating to assisting pupils holistically to become everything they are capable of becoming based on appropriate knowledge, skills and behaviour. It is true that the instructional programme in every classroom has the same elements, following the guidelines of a standards-based education. However, teachers individually mix their own flavour into the design by structuring their classrooms and lessons in such a way so as to ensure motivated engagement. These practices are based on the centralised standards for learning and the assessment of that learning. Within a shared instructional leadership context relating to a professional learning community, teachers refine their knowledge and skills by sharing good teaching practice and classroom management which is then generalised throughout the school. With regard to the dimension of promoting a positive school-learning culture that fosters and rewards learning, teachers respect instructional time and they arrange the classroom environment in such a way that the focus is on optimal performance Arthur-Kelly et al. One example of a constructive focus is the arrangement of the classroom setting to maintain high visibility which encourages a time-on-task approach. In summary, the effective organising of classroom ecology forms an important part of the three-dimensional instructional leadership model constructed by Hallinger By emphasising high expectations for pupils through reflective teaching practices in a classroom environment where lesson time is respected, a climate that supports teaching and learning is maintained. How this is done through management approaches and settings in the classroom is discussed next. Considering these aims classroom management can be interpreted as all the things teachers do to foster pupil involvement based on security which is effected through positive relationships that are enhanced by constructive classroom routines. Classroom management is realised through an integrated approach of prevention and intervention strategies Belvel, Crucial to prevention strategies is the constant reflection on the learning environment to determine whether the environment engages all pupils meaningfully. Teachers pursue prevention strategies by sharing professional reflections with their colleagues and by ascertaining the spectrum to be covered in order to engage pupils at their appropriate levels of ability

DuFour, ; Ertesvag, ; Veverka, Positive relationships that engender security create the foundation for interventions in pursuit of active pupil participation. These relationships are established through verbal and nonverbal communication by means of which messages are channelled and feedback received. As instructional leaders teachers consider all these contingencies in their arranging of a constructive and caring classroom environment. Managing content encapsulates space, materials, equipment and pupil positioning in order to conduct lessons constructively. Managing conduct pertains to procedural skills which teachers employ to ensure order and stability in the classroom. Covenant management focuses on the group of pupils as a social system with unique features that prompt the management of interpersonal relationships in a particular way to ensure active participation for optimal learning Belvel, ; Taylor, With reference to content, conduct and covenant, teachers as classroom managers are accountable for a climate of interpersonal care in which time and space are organised in such a way that all pupils are happily and constructively engaged. One important aspect of classroom ecology is functional seating arrangements that promote scanning and teachers having access to the desks of all pupils. Seating arrangements determine, for example, the kind of interaction and the kind of activity approach, so a circular seating pattern encourages interactive participation whereas row seating promotes independent task completion Simonsen et al. A subtle aspect of classroom design which impacts on academic achievement is the overall aesthetic appearance of the setting which subconsciously contributes to aspiring to high ideals Moore, Linked to a functional physical environment is classroom ethics that engender value-based engagement. Practising ethics-based routines and procedures fosters polite and diligent behaviour resulting in an orderly and content classroom environment Arthur-Kelly et al. The consulted literature on teachers sharing instructional leadership responsibilities to account for pupil development was considered with the empirical investigation into classroom management for optimal learning. Concurring with Henning, Van Rensburg and Smit and Denzin and Lincoln , I selected the qualitative case study genre for an in-depth understanding of the situation of those involved, as well as of the meaning they derived from their situation. Because of these reasons, the ANA test scores cannot be considered to compare performance with regard to claims about improvements or deteriorations across grades or over time. The three research sites had, on average, pupils and 15 teachers with the parent community characterised mainly as working class. The participants comprised Heads of Department and teachers. The Heads of Department were selected for individual interviewing as they were the chief instructional leaders accountable for teaching and learning in their specific learning phases. Five teachers from each school teaching Grades 3 to 7 were purposefully selected for individual interviewing. Selection of teacher participants was based on the indicators of years of teaching experience which also related to seniority in their teaching position. I regarded five years of teaching experience at the same school as a minimum criterion to have become competent in managing classroom ecology in such a way to ensure successful teaching and learning. The total number of participants who took part in the empirical investigation was All the participants shared a common indicator for selection, namely that of being concerned teachers reflectively pursuing classroom management practices conducive to effective teaching and learning. In line with the suggestions by Toma on rigour in the research approach, I triangulated the judgement claims of the different participants in terms of participant response to the same question asked. With follow-up prompts for increased clarity arranged through intensive engagement each interview lasted at least one hour , I was able to distinguish between specific and vague statements. On comparing the data from the 18 individual interviews that represented different participants from different situations and with different interpretations of reality, I found regularities and recurring patterns. This rigour produced a comprehensive and context-rich set of findings relevantly linked to theory. All 18 interviews were guided by the same question formulated as follows: What do you consider as important classroom management approaches to contribute to optimal learning? I triangulated the research findings from the empirical investigation with the research findings from the literature. I guaranteed the anonymity of participants and the confidentiality of their disclosures at all times during the research. These themes, relating to the question posed during the interviews and concurring with consulted literature, pertain to the aspects understood as forming an important part of classroom management to promote successful learning. The themes relate to the importance of functional arrangements, a shared sense of constructive behaviour, a caring

environment, a philosophy of respect, belonging and self-realisation, and the value of professional conduct. My discussion of these themes is substantiated by verbatim excerpts from the interviews. For the sake of confidentiality and authenticity, I distinguish the fifteen teachers as T1, T2 and so on and the three Heads of Department as H1, H2 and H3. Boundaries promote clarity and reassurance. As classroom activities mostly fall within the three broad categories of direct instruction, working time, and individual silent time, reassurance is arranged by pointing out to pupils the type of behaviour that the activity requires. The functionality of the physical classroom setting reinforces a positive culture of teaching and learning. Warnings and demerits are followed by intervention by the Head of Department and consultations with parents. These negotiations represent discussions on classroom limits which specify the expected and forbidden actions in the classroom as well as the consequences of breaking these limits. Participant teachers implemented procedures that enhance constant focus. These procedures involve aspects such as entering and exiting the classroom, making transitions, handing in homework, going to the sickroom, late coming, distribution of books, office referrals and going to the restroom. Entering the classroom in this structured way prompts focus and the condition of being instantly tuned-in to the learning that lies ahead. Part of classroom routine that contributes to constructive teaching and learning is classroom comfort, neatness and safety. Practising all these classroom routines and procedures represents concerted efforts to foster focused behaviour and accountability, thereby contributing to efficiency and symbiosis as a basis for effective teaching and learning. This is done through connecting behaviour which relates to listening, supporting, encouraging and trusting while disconnecting behaviour is negated such as criticising, blaming, complaining, and threatening. Another functional component of a caring environment is depicting the teacher as a fellow human who can be approached. Participants pointed out that to sustain a sense of care and encouragement it is important to make time to talk to pupils about topics that interest them, for no reason other than to make the classroom situation and general school day interesting and exciting. Participants explained that part of a caring and motivating environment is the association with the classroom itself in terms of understanding the functionality of all aspects pertaining to the learning environment. A further aspect pointed out as important in sustaining high expectations is to encourage and reward pupils consistently for good work. It was clear from the interviews that the striving for high ideals related to having respect for oneself, for all living things and for the environment at large. This was engendered by placing a high premium on the practising of a value system of diligence, courtesy, honesty and of conserving of the own. Encouraging pupils to live with respect was motivated by generativity: Respect was also fostered for community well-being by encouraging pupils to participate in community care projects as a classroom effort. The philosophy of respect for everyone and everything included respect for time as a major component of managing the instructional programme in such a way to sustain a positive school-learning culture. As late-coming affects the time spent on teaching and learning, thus hampering the quality of engagement, punctuality in order to have sufficient time for the learning process is treated as non-negotiable. Classroom duties involve classroom maintenance tasks such as opening and closing windows, overseeing individual responsibility for daily litter clean-up, and general classroom neatness. Classroom duties also involve lesson-related tasks such as distributing and collecting books and supplies, overseeing smooth transitions within the classroom, and managing orderly line formation for movements to next locations. Carrying out these classroom duties prompts self-realisation and character building to affirm a positive school-learning culture. The opposite, however, also applies. This engagement is enhanced with the teacher moving around in the classroom to teach from various areas which sends the message of being interested and available to provide equal access to all pupils. However, participants were concerned that the additional time spent on pupils who needed extra assistance happened to the detriment of gifted learners. Classroom management for optimal learning must include self-realisation opportunities for every child, including the gifted. Within a shared instructional leadership context, teachers must take the lead in their classrooms to direct their pupils to optimal performance. To ensure a context of caring, teachers must pursue functional rules which they and their pupils should mutually agree upon to sustain an orderly micro-environment based on responsible rights and consequence-considered actions. These rules, that prompt courteous behaviour, should relate to consideration and politeness with, amongst others, greeting, entering and leaving the classroom, and

distributing and gathering didactic materials. Teachers must also apply functional rules that sustain classroom comfort, neatness and safety. The application of these two sets of rules contribute to harmony in the classroom and what Moore explains as a sense of inner balance and wholeness with others that prompts responsiveness and a striving for high ideals. In line with the work by Arthur-Kelly et al. These opportunities must empower pupils to manage their own time and tasks in a constructive manner.

**Chapter 2 : Errand | Definition of Errand by Merriam-Webster**

*In an article entitled "Errands," included in the book "People in Places: The Sociology of the Familiar," Professor Martin Wenglinsky calls them "the busywork of day-to-day existence, the.*

McCollum Follow this and additional works at: This Dissertation open access is brought to you for free and open access by the Jack N. The purpose of the present multi-case study was to determine the caring beliefs and practices of six effective teachers in two Title I Elementary schools in a central Georgia school system, how these beliefs and practices manifested in the classroom, and in what ways the teachers beliefs and practices may have been influenced by their own cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds and those of their students. Using semi-structured interviews and classroom observations, the researcher explored individual and common beliefs and practices of the effective teachers concerning their students academic and personal achievements. The researcher found these teachers believed and demonstrated the need to support intellectual, social, and moral growth as a component of caring for students, especially underachieving students. They believed caring relationships focusing on the full human growth of students were necessary and effective for student academic achievement. They believed all students could learn and be successful in school and life. The teachers valued the uniqueness of each child and supported individual student instruction and growth. Personal backgrounds of the teachers impacted their own beliefs and practices about how to be effective teachers of children. The cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds of the teachers students sometimes impacted how 4 2 the teachers taught their students but did not affect how they cared for their students. The teachers defined student achievement for at-risk learners as self-improvement based on personal goals set with teachers assistance, and therefore, their ideas of achievement goals were not always consistent with mandatory curriculum standards and benchmarks. The voices of effective caring teachers may provide the missing personal link to current impersonal approaches to educational reform that fail to help low-achieving students. The present study supports inclusive and equitable educational reform by acknowledging the personal contributions of effective caring teachers in fostering the achievement of all students especially, disaffected underachievers. He left this earth before I started this program but he is the reason why I was able to persevere, work hard, stay determined and believe in my abilities. This dissertation is also dedicated to all the caring teachers that I had as a student or that I have worked with over the last three decades. Truly, the relationships that were started by these teachers created a ripple effect that brought me to the place I am today. I am especially grateful for the caring teachers who participated in this study and took the time to share their students beautiful stories of achievement with me. During times of stress and anxiety, he gave me the peace and courage that I needed to keep going. I can do all things who Christ who strengthens me. Also, I would like to thank these people for their support and help throughout the doctoral program: To my husband, Phil, for his patience and support throughout the duration of this project and for marrying me even though I was a new doctoral student. To my children, Kyle, Brett, and Jessie, and step-daughter, Jennifer, for being positive, believing in me and encouraging me to keep going and not give up. To my mom, Jeannine Day, for supporting Dad through all the years and graciously accepting the fact that I had less free time during my years of graduate school. To all my other family and friends, for all the hundreds of things you said or did to sustain and encourage me in this endeavor. In addition, I would like to thank the following people for their support with this dissertation: To my committee chairperson, Dr. Dan Rea, for his insightful feedback and guidance. To my committee members, Dr. Linda Soares, and Dr. Lucy Bush, for providing me with detailed and specific feedback throughout the dissertation process. Many of these students are subjected to memorizing facts and testing of skills and content with little or no interaction with the teacher or other students Plitt, Teachers in these classrooms focus on end of year assessments and treat their students with an impersonal one size fits all approach that is standardized for everyone Saracino, On the other hand, there are other lowachieving students in classroom communities where they feel individually valued and supported. In these classrooms, teachers take time to develop meaningful relationships and show that they care about the personal as well as the academic needs of their students Malikow, Educators need to better understand these contrasting approaches to teaching our

struggling students. Current reform tends to emphasize uniform standards and an impersonal test-driven approach to teaching while the present research maintains this impersonal approach to educational reform is inequitable because it neglects the vital components of teacher caring, which is necessary to reach all students especially disaffected underachieving students. For more equitable educational reform, there is a need to investigate further a caring student-centered approach to teaching as a more effective alternative to current impersonal reform. This strict approach to reform presses teachers to treat students with an impersonal approach standardized for everyone. This narrow focus on test results leads many teachers to attend primarily to the cognitive demands of student achievement and leaves them little time to develop caring relationships with their students. According to the present study, the unheard voice of effective teachers concerning their caring beliefs and practices is a vitally important missing piece of current educational reform. Current notions of reform promote an increased, measurable accountability, which essentially excludes the something else that practitioners of education believe to be essential. It is this something else, what we are calling the language of the expressive, which practitioners indicate is left out of the discourse about effective teaching. This conversation, composed of the language of the expressive, emphasizes relationships among people within the educational context. The present study gives voice to effective teachers unheard language of expressiveness and allows them to share the caring beliefs and practices that contributed to their student successes. Only minimal attention has been given to the success stories of caring teachers who rallied behind their at-risk students and forged relationships that made a difference in their students lives. Current reform emphasizes impersonal test-driven educational policies and practices. Many effective teachers of underachieving students use a balanced approach that supports both the cognitive demands and affective needs of student learning Buese, ; Marzano, If students know that the teacher personally cares about them, then they are more likely to care about learning what the teacher is teaching them. Specifically, the present study used a short survey to identify six effective teachers nominated by their colleagues in two Title I elementary schools in central Georgia. A multi-case study method with semi-structured 21 19 interviews and classroom observations was used to explore the caring beliefs and practices of the six effective teachers. Background of the Study For the purposes of investigating teachers and students involving achievement, one can take a historical look back to the last decade. In , Georgia phased in the Georgia Performance Standards GPS for all subjects and grades, which mandated clear expectations for instruction, student work and assessment. President Obama signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act AARA in , which provided Race to the Top RT3 money for states desiring intensive support and effective interventions to help with closing the achievement gap and bringing American children to an equal place of academic excellence within a global market. RT3 has required Georgia school systems to focus on data and assessments of teachers and students to turn around the lowest-performing schools. Understandably, teachers feel obligated to focus their attention on the cognitive demands placed on their students and especially their lowest-achieving students because of the value placed on the consequences of assessment results by local, state, and federal officials. After a decade of NCLB NCLB, , distinguished by a standards-based curriculum with learning assessments based on annual test scores, national progress has been minimal. Sobering statistics show that the achievement gap continues to exist. For example, special 22 20 analyses by the National Center for Education Statistics NCES in and showed that Black and Hispanic students trailed their White peers by an average of more than 20 test-score points on the National Assessment of Educational Progress NAEP math and reading assessments at 4th and 8th grades, a difference of about two grade levels. These gaps persisted even though the score differentials between Black and White students narrowed between and in 4th grade math and reading and 8th grade math NCES, , We need to understand better why government initiatives handed down to teachers by legislators have not worked for so many students. We need to explore the viability of different alternatives to the current reform efforts. Just prior to NCLB initiatives, an analysis of data by the National Assessment of Educational Progress noted in research studies about schools that displayed high rates of student success, quality teaching was the most powerful influence on academic achievement Wenglinsky, In contrast to policy makers, there is little debate among educational researchers about how effective teachers are crucial for supporting student learning and success in school. Yet the question still remains of how effective teachers help to improve student learning. Although the

process of learning takes place in an instructional environment, it still requires a high degree of interpersonal connection between the teacher and learner working together Goldstein, Understanding how effective teachers approach the affective needs of their underachieving students is of vital importance to understanding learning within the context of a classroom and could have critical implications for closing achievement gaps. In the present study, quality teaching includes not only effective teaching strategies, well-designed curricula, and adequate preparation but also caring relationships. Quality or effective teaching is more than a stimulus for independent cognitive learning. It is a facilitator of motivated learning that takes place within the context of a caring relationship. This study went beyond the cognitive dimensions and explored the affective dimensions found in relationships that caring teachers and students travel together each day on the pathway to success. Theoretical Framework Nel Noddings , , , has extensively researched and written about the ethic of care providing the first theoretical framework for this study. Noddings clearly asserts that the first aim of education is the caring process. In her first major work, *Caring*, she stated that caring should be the basis for ethical decision-making and students placed at risk need challenging, caring educational environments to successfully engage in the learning process. As a prominent caring theorist, Noddings proposed that educators need to value an ethos of caring and be concerned when the curriculum and school are not actively promoting a search for connection between the teacher and the student. She further stated that interpersonal connections of relationships have profound consequences on how students identities develop along with how their academic success is determined. According to Noddings , caring is a universal need and human encounters or affective responses are a basic way of human life. There is clearly a person acting as a carer 24 22 and another person acting as the cared for. Additionally, Noddings states that classroom teachers must use caring as a lens through which all practices and possible practices [with students] are examined pp. Noddings definition of caring is best looked at through relationships. Noddings defined a caring relation as a connection or encounter between two human beings p. In this relation, each party must contribute something or else the connection is broken and caring does not occur. Noddings , , , studied how teachers may implement care in the classroom as a way to better understand care in a classroom context. Noddings provides a plan for how to put into action an ethic of care by using four components of caring: She further explains that modeling, practice, dialogue and confirmation are practices through which teachers can engage in caring relationships with their students. Caring is a universal need that may be expressed somewhat differently according to cultural differences Noddings, It is important from a curriculum studies perspective to investigate how cultural differences may influence the specific meaning and practice of universal beliefs about caring. In addition, other achievement gaps, such as those based on sex, English-language proficiency and learning disabilities have been included in the last decade to make it an even more complex issue. Many of these achievement gap groups can be used to describe a majority of Georgia s student population who piloted the RT3 initiative as well as numerous schools across the United States GA DOE, Noddings caring theory is often times an underlying theme of CRT. Gay devoted an entire chapter on the power of caring in her book, *Culturally Responsive Teaching*. She felt that caring interpersonal relationships are characterized by patience, persistence, facilitation, validation, and empowerment for the participants. When this caring relationship is weak, students, especially students of color, are less responsive to learning. Closing the culturally responsive caring gap is a prerequisite to closing the achievement gap. Description of Study The present study focused primarily on the teachers perspectives of caring relationships with students and how these relationships affected learning. Noddings four components of care were used as a basis to operationalize the collection of data. The data collection technique was semi-structured interviews with teachers who were nominated as effective teachers by their colleagues. Identifying effective teachers through nominations was based on the idea that staff members and teachers are in the best position to designate effective teachers in their school. The nomination surveys see Appendix A were worded to support the goal of the nominated teachers meeting the criteria of teachers described in the literature as influential in supporting positive student learning and overall student success. The qualitative nature of this study allowed the 26 24 teachers narratives to address each of the research questions. The teachers responses to the interview questions allowed the researcher to focus on the teachers viewpoints about interactions with their students.

**Chapter 3 : Classroom management for optimal learning in a context of shared instructional leadership**

*People in places; the sociology of the familiar. Author: Birenbaum, Arnold.*

Locating acquaintances Introduction Acquaintanceship: Each book introduces key current debates and surveys existing sociological argument and research about particular institutional complexes. This book examines acquaintanceship. David Morgan is a distinguished sociologist of the family, intimacy and masculinity advances an important and original investigation of the nature of one of the most pervasive, yet under-examined, social relationships in modern urban settings. Somewhere between intimates and strangers, along a continuum stretching from close to distant relationships, acquaintances play a large part in a satisfying and secure everyday life for most of us. Morgan examines acquaintances in the neighbourhood and in the workplace, on the train and in the street. He develops a typology of acquaintanceship which classifies types of contact, contact that we do not necessarily or explicitly value very highly, but which make up largely unavoidable, mostly rewarding, and meaningful connections to other people. David Morgan uses both classical sociological accounts and the most up-to-date empirical studies to explore its subject matter. It is an exemplary sociological analysis of an important concept concerning the nature of social relationships, social order and the organization of everyday life. It thereby illuminates a phenomenon which has received only fleeting attention in the history of sociology, despite its obvious centrality to personal and social organization. Morgan identifies its key characteristics and explains how it relates to other adjacent, but importantly different, concepts. He both identifies a topic for research and offers a coherent summary of what is currently known about this intriguing subject. This is a very interesting and challenging book, which will be of great interest to both students and specialist scholars. Nick Crossley and Alan Warde March Acknowledgements Numerous people have contributed, directly and indirectly, to the ideas discussed in this book. In some cases they have provided references, made suggestions, asked pertinent questions. In all cases they have provided encouragement and reassurance that this project is interesting and worthwhile. Rather than attempting to list everyone let me indicate some of the sites where I found this support and encouragement. I gained much useful feedback from this presentation and a published version appears in a book edited by E. Widmer, A-M Castren, R. Kaisa and published by Peter Lang. There are two other important sets of people who provided stimulus. My colleagues at the Norwegian Technological University, Trondheim NTNU, where I had a visiting professorship for seven years, provided friendship, highly sociable meals and a great deal of encouragement. Further south, in Oslo, I gained a great deal from many stimulating conversations with Halldis Leira. Within the UK, I am continually grateful to my friends and colleagues within the British Sociological Association and its various study groups. As on previous occasions, I owe a great debt to my partner, Janet Finch, for many searching questions and a great deal of positive support. Finally, a thank you to Jack Fray and everyone at Open University Press for their patience and support. Here, my primary interest is not the physical spaces that people inhabit, the objects and people within them, and the way in which these spaces are invested with human meaning. The basic ideas locating my central concern in this book are simple enough. Any one individual will probably have three sets of people within their social horizons. The closest, more immediate sets of others we describe as intimates: At the outer fringes of this social field there will be strangers, people who are of little or no significance to this individual except perhaps as imagined threats or objects of charity and about whom little is known apart from the fact that they are strangers. Between these two, intimates and strangers, lies the subjects of this book: Much more recently, Talja Blokland has made a distinction between intimacy, familiarity and anonymous social relations Blokland Such a simple mapping may be modified in a variety of ways. Second, even where something like this threefold distinction might be used, the size and significance of the individual components might vary considerably. An exploration of wider cultural variations in social mapping is beyond the scope of this present volume. However, if we begin to explore this mapping in the context of, let us say, late modernity we may begin to develop a basis for a wider comparative analysis. Family studies continue to attract a considerable amount of research and this has been joined by studies of sexualities and friendship Giddens ; Jamieson ; Smart We also, probably, know something about strangers,

especially about the different ways in which they are constructed, understood, treated and evaluated Lofland

But little is known, directly, about acquaintances. A brief survey of any library catalogue might support this assertion. Intimates can be defined, first, in terms of a range of social relationships which are held to be important to individuals: However, immediately some complexities begin to emerge. For one thing, as a consequence of social or physical distance or some process of estrangement, not all family members might be defined as intimates. Further, although parents and children, friends and lovers may all be defined as intimates they are not intimates in exactly the same way. Indeed, if we take physical sexuality often popularly identified with intimacy this may be seen as a requirement for lovers, questionable between friends and strongly prohibited between parents and children or between siblings. Or, to take another widely understood feature of intimacy, the sharing of some of our deepest thoughts, emotions and uncertainties may take place more readily between friends than between family members. It is possible to see intimacy as consisting of at least three different dimensions, which do not necessarily co-exist in all interpersonal relationships. The first is physical or embodied intimacy. It is important to stress that this is not simply a question of the physical expression of sexuality. It also includes the physical aspects of caring or tending and those physical signs holding hands or touching in particular kinds of ways that demonstrate that some kind of interpersonal bond exists between the two people involved. Second, there is emotional intimacy, itself a complex and compound dimension. Thus it can include the sharing of deep feelings, anxieties, doubts and passions. But it can also include the recognition of the emotional needs or likely emotional responses of others, perhaps even at a non verbal level. We may also include here the sharing of interests in music, in work, in the countryside, in politics or in ideas. Third, there is intimate knowledge. Intimates have particular knowledge of each other, knowledge which is conventionally denied to others outside this core of intimacy. We are looking here at the fluid boundaries between the public and the private. One of the virtues of a dimension approach is that Locating acquaintances 3 it allows for different mixes. Marriage, for example, is assumed at least in terms of some ideal constructions to be high on all three dimensions. Parentchild relationships are assumed to have elements of all three excluding sexual physical intimacy although emotional intimacy might be more variable, especially over the life course. This suggests that there is a degree of fuzziness about the boundaries between intimates and acquaintances and this is an issue that will be explored at several points in this book. Intimates, therefore, occupy one point on the social space within which we locate acquaintances. Again, however, matters are not straightforward. Most commonly, I suppose, strangers tend to be defined in negative terms, as people who we do not know or recognize. We pass them in the street, stand close to them in the tube or the bus, sit near them in the stadium or the theatre. We recognize certain minimal obligations in turns of not touching, eye contact, avoidance and so on. Social commentators as varied as Engels and Goffman have drawn our attention to the rules strangers observe when passing each other in the street or temporarily sharing the same physical space. These strangers are an integral part of what we understand to be urban life. But this is not the whole story. Earlier times and other societies suggest that the obligations to strangers sometimes go beyond these minimal interactional expectations. The stranger may be a trader, a regular holiday-maker or an anthropologist. The difference between the two types of stranger are partly related to the difference between rural and urban, *gemeinschaft* and *gesellschaft*, traditional and modern. But the boundaries between stranger and non-stranger are fluid and necessarily so. He writes of upward 4 Acquaintances and downward mobility between these levels. A closer image might be in terms of overlapping circles, with the individual and close intimates at the centre and acquaintances further out. This is a familiar mapping device and probably accords with everyday experience when individuals talk of others as being close or less close. However, it still tends to suggest that acquaintances are on the same scale as these other relationships and hence, necessarily, of lesser significance than intimates. A diagram of overlapping circles might be closer to my intentions. We have, therefore, some approximate kind of mapping of acquaintances in a wider spectrum of social relationships. But this is still rather negative. Acquaintances are not intimates and they are not strangers; but is it possible to say something more positive than this? The first point to make is that acquaintances have some of the characteristics of intimates already outlined. To illustrate this let me provide an everyday narrative. I leave my house one morning and see a neighbour returning from walking the dog. There I have a short wait before I see my GP. In

the waiting room I see a former colleague, now retired and we have a brief chat before he is called. I discuss my relatively minor complaint with my GP and she asks me about other members of my family. On the way home I stop off at a corner shop, exchange some light-hearted chat with the owner and a couple of the other customers and return home. We may see here little fragments of intimacy. These include verbal exchanges, mutual recognition, knowledge of or by the other and, in the case of the GP, some slight physical intimacy as she takes my blood pressure. These are echoes of other intimacies, perhaps, although they go so far and no further. For example, my neighbour knows who I am and who I live with, has some idea when I am away or on holiday, knows how I keep my garden and when I am entertaining friends. I have similar overlapping knowledge of my neighbour and his social circle. Note here, a slight shift in emphasis. Acquaintances are defined not so much as people who are not intimates but as people with whom there are some slight echoes or fragments of intimacy. Some of these are reciprocated, others are not. Some of these exchanges have a basis of equality while others, again, do not have such a basis or premise. Many of these everyday exchanges are commonplace, barely worth mentioning.

Chapter 4 : M&M Group – Trading | Facilities | Errand | Catering

*The thesis of medical imperialism is part of a more general sociological analysis of professional ambition—an analysis which can, in its turn, also be applied to sociology.*

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**Case-Based Features** Because the textbook practices what it preaches by applying research-based methods, it validates the relevance of educational psychology in teaching. This is accomplished in part by engaging the student with two types of cases in each chapter. **Diversity in the Classroom** cases present classroom dilemmas for students to practice problem-solving skills. **Putting It All Together** offers exemplar cases requiring application of theories in educational psychology. Each case is aligned with a set of high-order activities and learning objectives. **Diversity in the Classroom** cases illustrate issues of learner diversity where the prospective teacher uses problem-solving techniques to suggest a viable classroom solution. This case-based activity is designed to help students develop a realistic view about teaching and promote their problem-solving and critical thinking skills. This framework is introduced in Chapter 2 and requires students to critically evaluate the practices depicted in the case. Then, they test their own conclusions by applying what they learned in the chapter. Students will use this problem-solving tool frequently in their future classrooms to respond to a wide range of issues. Students are asked to justify their responses using the educational psychology principles learned in each chapter. **Putting it All Together** cases provide a model of quality teaching practices that are based on the educational psychology theories and research covered by each chapter. This case-based activity is designed to help students identify educational psychology principles in action and to show the usefulness and relevance of educational psychology to the teaching profession.

**Organizing Information** Each chapter includes pedagogical elements aimed at helping future teachers amass and organize their professional knowledge. A graphic of the chapter content opens each chapter as an advance organizer and provides students with a visual representation of the topics. This feature also functions as an advance organizer, listing the topics students will be learning about in the chapter. **Test Your Knowledge and Understanding.** This activity appears at the end of each chapter and is designed to help students organize the new information learned and assess their understanding of the material in each chapter. Each chapter ends with a brief summary reviewing the major points. Because the summaries are based on the Graphic Organizer and the Learning Goals preceding each chapter, students can use the Summary to better understand how concepts relate to each other. Key terms aid student understanding of the main concepts in each chapter and expand on their vocabulary. This textbook integrates information in two ways. First, discussion of student diversity is integrated within each chapter. In this way, future teachers gain deeper insights into how psychological processes may operate differently across diverse individuals, groups, and contexts. Because the material in Chapter 2 is referred to and expanded upon throughout each chapter, prospective teachers build on their understanding of diversity in the classroom and adapt their practices to meet the needs of each student. The textbook also integrates content across chapters by offering the feature **Connect What You Learned to Other Chapters.** In this feature, students respond to questions that require them to make meaningful connections between new concepts with those learned in prior chapters. For instance, after reading Chapter 5, students are presented with a set of questions that require making connections with concepts learned in Chapters 1, 2, 3, and 4. Assigning these high-order questions in individual, group, or classroom activities help instructors promote a more structured and connected knowledge base in their students. This requires planning instruction with thoughtful consideration of educational psychology theory and research and learner diversity, a careful analysis of the outcomes of such plans, and making adjustments as necessary. **Imagine You Are the Teacher. Assess Your Prior Knowledge and Beliefs.** Each chapter begins with this set of open-ended questions. **Think About It Again!** At the end of each chapter, students have another opportunity to respond to the questions posed at the beginning of the chapter in **Assess Your Prior Knowledge and Beliefs.** This feature presents a set of debates on current controversial topics such as brain-based education, the use of rewards in the classroom, and student retention. **Applying Theory to the Classroom** The following elements help future teachers apply their theoretical knowledge of educational psychology to classroom

practice: Examples, Dialogues, and Vignettes from Practicing Teachers. The numerous examples, dialogues, and vignettes help prospective teachers bridge theory and practice by illustrating how the theories and principles of educational psychology look in the classroom. In every chapter, offer practical lists of strategies suggested by practicing teachers in different grade levels and subject areas. Through a partnership with Teachscape professional development services, there is a rich collection of videocases available in WileyPLUS that feature authentic classroom situations. Together, the text cases and videocases create a comprehensive virtual experience that allows students to observe the role of the teacher for a variety of learners and classroom scenarios. The activities provide an opportunity for students to apply the chapter information in a meaningful, real world way. Within the collaborative learning activity students are asked to reflect on their past experiences and knowledge and share their thoughts with their peers. Any of the Get Connected! WileyPLUS can complement your current textbook or replace the printed text altogether. WileyPLUS empowers them to take advantage of their individual strengths: Students can take control of their own learning and practice until they master the material. For Instructors WileyPLUS empowers you with the tools and resources you need to make your teaching even more effective: How do beginning teachers develop into expert teachers?

**Chapter 2 Understanding Diversity in the Classroom** This chapter gives an overview of the current demographic changes in the United States and their educational implications. Students are provided with numerous strategies and will examine: This chapter introduces an easy-to-follow, practical, problem-solving framework that students apply to the Diversity in the Classroom activity included in every chapter.

**Part II In the Classroom: Practical Uses for Theories of Child Development**

**Chapter 3 Cognitive and Language Development** Classroom teachers need to prepare developmentally responsive lessons and activities for their students. This chapter includes substantial coverage of classic and contemporary knowledge of cognitive and language development. Prospective teachers build an understanding of the general principles of human cognitive and language development and the developmental theories of Jean Piaget, neo-Piagetians, and Lev Vygotsky. Topics discussed include the processes of brain, cognitive, and language development, and the special development of bilingualism and second-language acquisition.

**Chapter 4 Personal, Social, and Moral Development** How do children come to understand themselves and others? This chapter examines this question, with a special emphasis on the developmental theories of Erik Erikson and Lawrence Kohlberg. Topics include psychosocial and moral development, self-concept, self-worth, the collective self, the process of socialization, and the role of family, peers, and teachers in the development of social and moral skills. This chapter introduces behaviorism and its relationship with learning. Among the topics discussed are classical conditioning, operant conditioning, applied behavior analysis, and strategies that encourage desirable behaviors and reduce undesirable behaviors in the classroom. This chapter introduces the cognitive approach to learning represented by information processing. Topics include sensory memory; short-term or working memory; long-term memory; perception and attention; and rehearsal, encoding, and retrieval of information. The chapter also discusses knowledge types and the relationship between knowledge, metacognition, and learning. This chapter examines the theories behind the processes children and adolescents use to acquire new concepts, change their misconceptions, solve problems, use learning strategies, think critically, and transfer what they know to different contexts. In addition, this chapter discusses the characteristics of expert and novice problem solving.

**Chapter 8 Sociocognitive and Constructivist Views of Learning** Every day in the classroom, teachers use a variety of approaches to learning. They model how to work through a math problem, they engage students in cooperative learning activities, and they set up classroom lessons where the student learns by doing, rather than by lecture. The theories behind these classroom strategies are presented in this chapter. Applications of constructivism are explained and illustrated, ranging from teacher-centered to student-centered approaches to learning and cooperative and collaborative learning methods. Discussion includes intrinsic and extrinsic motivation, behavioral, humanistic, cognitive, and sociocognitive approaches to motivation, and how emotion relates to learning. This chapter also considers the most common sources of anxiety in the classroom and offers classroom tips to reduce student anxiety. This chapter prepares teachers to reinforce key motivational processes by synthesizing the conditions that lead to motivated students. These conditions are organized around the teacher, the learner, and the instructional environment.

**Chapter 11**

**Classroom Management: Creating a Successful Learning Environment** This chapter examines essential teaching skills for creating and maintaining an organized and successful classroom. **Part V Critical Elements in the Classroom: What have students learned?** The functions and characteristics of effective assessments reliability, validity, practicality, fairness are thoroughly discussed, as well as traditional and alternative assessments, formative and summative assessments, and grading and reporting systems. A graphic organizer depicts the assessment and instruction cycle to help future teachers plan what, why, how, and when to assess learning in the classroom. **Chapter 13 Assessing Learning through Standardized Testing** This chapter revisits the issues of accountability introduced in Chapter 1 with a special emphasis on helping prospective teachers interpret a variety of standardized test scores, evaluate their validity and reliability, and better understand their own role in standardized testing. Topics also include the functions and types of standardized tests, basic descriptive statistics, current high-stakes issues such as the teaching-to-the-test phenomenon, and an in-depth discussion of test bias and student accommodations. The chapter concludes with a presentation of new directions in standardized testing, including authentic assessments and computer-based adaptive testing. Prospective teachers need to know how to use technology in their classrooms. This chapter examines the promise and pitfalls of instructional technology. After reading this chapter, prospective teachers are prepared to critically examine the best uses of technology in their classrooms. This chapter offers a unique depth and breadth of coverage about instructional technology. Instructors will have the following instructional support materials: First, I am indebted to my students who motivated me to become the best teacher I can be and pointed me in the right directions about how to improve the teaching of educational psychology. Second, this book would not have been possible unless many teachers had taken the time to share their classroom experiences, strategies, and artifacts with me. I also wish to express appreciation to the following publishing professionals with whom I have worked on this project: I come away from this book project with great admiration for their professionalism, personal qualities, and dedication. I would also like to gratefully acknowledge the contributions of my colleague reviewers, focus group participants, and class testers. In addition to several rounds of review on manuscript and page proofs, the Wiley book team held several focus groups with instructors teaching the course. Additional instructors had their students provide us valuable feedback on select chapters. I appreciate their efforts and that of their students. The constructive criticisms, insights, and suggestions of the following have been incorporated into my writing.

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Genetic studies show that general cognitive ability runs in families. For relatives living together, the average correlations of  $g$  are: When twins are reared apart, the correlation still holds in the 0. These numbers indicate that individual differences in intelligence are partly the result of genetic influences. For example, there is some evidence that early-intervention programs that increase intellectual stimulation, such as Head Start, can lead to an increase of the IQ of infants and young children Barnett, The issue and its questions are then revisited at the end of the chapter with several points to consider in making an informed opinion or decision. An area of debate in the intelligence literature is the influence of heredity versus the environment on intelligence. Some people believe that intelligence is fixed because it is inherited. What do you think about this argument? A response to this question can be found at the end of the chapter. For this reason, there are two types of classroom cases in each chapter. Diversity in the Classroom offers a scenario portraying a current situation or dilemma that is likely to arise in the classroom. All cases are based on authentic classroom situations and have been developed by in-service teachers to represent a diversity of students, teachers, grade levels, and subject matter. To promote the development of problem solving and critical thinking skills which you will need in the classroom as well as in other careers , these cases include a problem-solving framework to guide your thinking about classroom dilemmas. To help you learn how to apply the problemsolving framework when working with Diversity in the Classroom cases, Chapter 2 presents the first Diversity in the Classroom case as a worked-out example, modeling the problem-solving process Sweller, Then, in subsequent chapters, Here is the first classroom case dilemma that you will need to their IEP modifications. Until then, just give them extra supsolve using the problem-solving framework that is shown in port. Flores begins to understand that he will have to find Figure 2. He rearranges the daily schedule to provide math instruction room dilemma in each chapter that is based on real issues experienced by in-service teachers. They were written to help you for the ESL students. In the afternoons he starts the whole class develop the decision-making, critical thinking, and reflective on a social studies or science lesson and pulls the ESL students skills that you will need to solve similar teaching issues in your aside to teach them math. He gives them exercises from the lesson as homework. When ESL stuown classroom. In this chapter, you are proNative understand how to solve them. Flores realwork to think about each dilemma izes some of the ESL students are and propose your solution. Yet he repeated the problem-solving feels this is the best he can do, framework on the flap of the cover of given the tight schedule. Flores becomes concerned ond language [ESL] schedule. The students in ESL class demic scores are low, with a reading score of 1. Writing simple sentences will miss 40 minutes of math instruction each day. Flores wonders whether Ka-Ying is too shy to ask Minnesota. Flores Laotian friend in Hmong. She seems embarrassed to use her replies. I just wish there were of her limited vocabulary. Based on first-quarter assessments, Mr. Flores realizes Ka-Ying has made little progress, but as a more hours in the schoolday. Flores new teacher, he is unsure of the next steps to take. On the fourth day of school, three new students enroll requests a parent liaison to translate. Pha is relieved when in his class and he realizes he needs to reteach all of his class- the liaison greets her in Hmong. Flores briefly describes his Teaching in a Culturally experoom procedures. Then, at the first staff meeting, he is told the concerns and asks Mrs. During her first-grade year, a crisis called the family ences. Read the case carefully. Then answer the open-ended class? Lopez asks after selecting her name. Gabrielle announces as respond. Lopez has sampled her fair share of fluffy warm fry bread mates giggle as they hang up their winter jackets. The greetings mark the start of a new schoolday at pitched voice. Then she stands up and does a comical impresRed Mesa Elementary in the town of Gallup, located in north- sion of eating fry bread and falls back onto the rug. Red Mesa serves a diverse population: Please sit right here next to me. When she finishes the next paragraph, Mrs. Such a diverse community is where Mrs. Lopez had always like to share, Vincent? She grew up in a large Hispanic family in south- book about Navajos? This is her first experience working with the Native large Hispanic family and has

three older siblings enrolled at American community, and she has been particularly sensitive the school. Lopez responds, not wanting to disrupt the lesson when she planned a field trip to tour an Anasazi heritage site. Lopez is unsure how to respond to this exchange. Should she continue lessons with the class. Lopez directs the first-graders to sit on the rug in the reading area. Should she discuss how the class will be learning reading area and holds open the first page of the book. Selena is making clown faces. Soon the class is distracted. She begins to read and frequently stops to give students the book again when Selena starts to take off her shoes. She chooses names randomly from a pocket in her book during further disruptions and gives Selena a simple errand.

## Chapter 7 : My Errand Service home page

*Using Technology Wisely - The Keys to Success in Schools, Harold Wenglinsky X Read the Label!*

We have arrived in the future. Now fast forward to the new Millennium. In the year and beyond, cell phones, Nintendo Gameboys, Playstations, Wii, Personal Computers and Ipods are the foreseen waves of the futures. Family dinners have been replaced with web casts, Nintendo, Internet games and chatrooms, Wii games and Ipods. According to Akhar, a middle school student at Quest to Learn in New York City, he is imagining a world full of video game interaction as the future. Why is it so shocking to understand children are consumed with video games? I have with Quest to Learn and their strategy of teaching children using video games. Children are consumed with video games, cell phones, televisions and Ipods. Children spend more time using digital media than they do anything else. To be honest, I believe children relate more to video games and digital media than their parents, because some parents used video games as babysitters in the developmental stages of life. Now the students have mastered the video games, computer applications and Ipod applications. I really do not see the harm in teaching students using the very same media that surrounds them daily. I appreciate the way Al Doyle conducts his class, Sports for the Mind. For example; Doyle, sat at a desk in the center of the room, his fingers frenetically tapping the keyboard of a MacBook. The laptop was connected to a wall-mounted interactive whiteboard, giving students who were sprawled on the floor in front of it an excellent view of the screen. Which was a good thing, because at least as they saw it, Doyle was going to die an embarrassing death without their help Corbett, Doyle is making the classroom interactive with his students. He is also engaging his students in their comfort zone of video games. The children are relaxed and deeply mentally and emotionally invested in the game. The students are learning and communicating with other students and Doyle. They are participating in class discussions. They are using their analytical skills to advise the teacher on the best way to defeat the game. Professor Al Doyle is spending time play computer video games and educating his students using the digital media that has saturates their lives daily already. Included in this level is media technology. I now have a better understanding and appreciation of her education reform program. The teachers are invested and enthusiastic about the curricula. The reading, homework assignments and in-class interactive computer graphics tests confirm; students are retaining the material, progressing in traditional and media curricula. The students are creating new databases, challenging each other and sharing their interest. All activities children do with digital media already. Why not incorporate curricula that will help them achieve their educational goals. Additionally, teachers are forced to know the curricula and stay current because the students are always working to improve to the level of excellence. Professors are challenged to constantly create challenging ways to tie traditional English, Math, History and Science into digital media for student for student retention. According to the survey included in this article; one third of American public high-schools dropouts, surveyed among 25 cities, suburbs and small towns, fail to graduate with their class. Researchers were told repeatedly that school was boring. Their final evaluation recommended; educators take steps to take school more relevant and engaging Corbett, Quest to Learn is meeting and exceeding this challenge. They are taking the formality of the classroom out of class and transforming it into a progressive, interactive, challenging and completely aspirational possibility space. The public sectors are a part of the learning process and the children are reaping the benefits. Finally, children as well as some adults like me are tired of regular boring lecture classes. Lectures in my class consist of older professor reliving their glory days and torturing me to read, journal and write papers about the classics. I am proud to say that digital media made my life better. I invested in an Ipad and bought audio books. I figured if I want to be a teacher, I should catch up on my Digital Media skills. Likewise, current teachers must learn new innovations for teaching if they want student to listen to them.

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