



Cultural Catalysts in Informal Lifelong Learning: Learning and Teaching Throughout Life

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Abstract

Major components of Lifelong Learning are learning through various ways during the entire lifespan. Informal learning, in particular, takes place daily in all kinds of situations, permeates all activities and influences people of all ages and walks of life. This presentation focuses on informal learning's role in preparing people to be both students and teachers of others. It analyses the "learn by example" approach, in which life lessons pass from generation to generation. Certain cultural products and processes, such as literature, proverbs, tales, work as cultural catalysts by facilitating learning through dialogue and the development of lifelong learning skills. An alternative interdisciplinary tool 'Idiolect Definition' is used to analyse selected texts, clarify the practice of dialogue and learning skills.