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PROBLEM-BASED TEACHING vs. PROGRAMMED TEACHING: CHALLENGES FOR THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION

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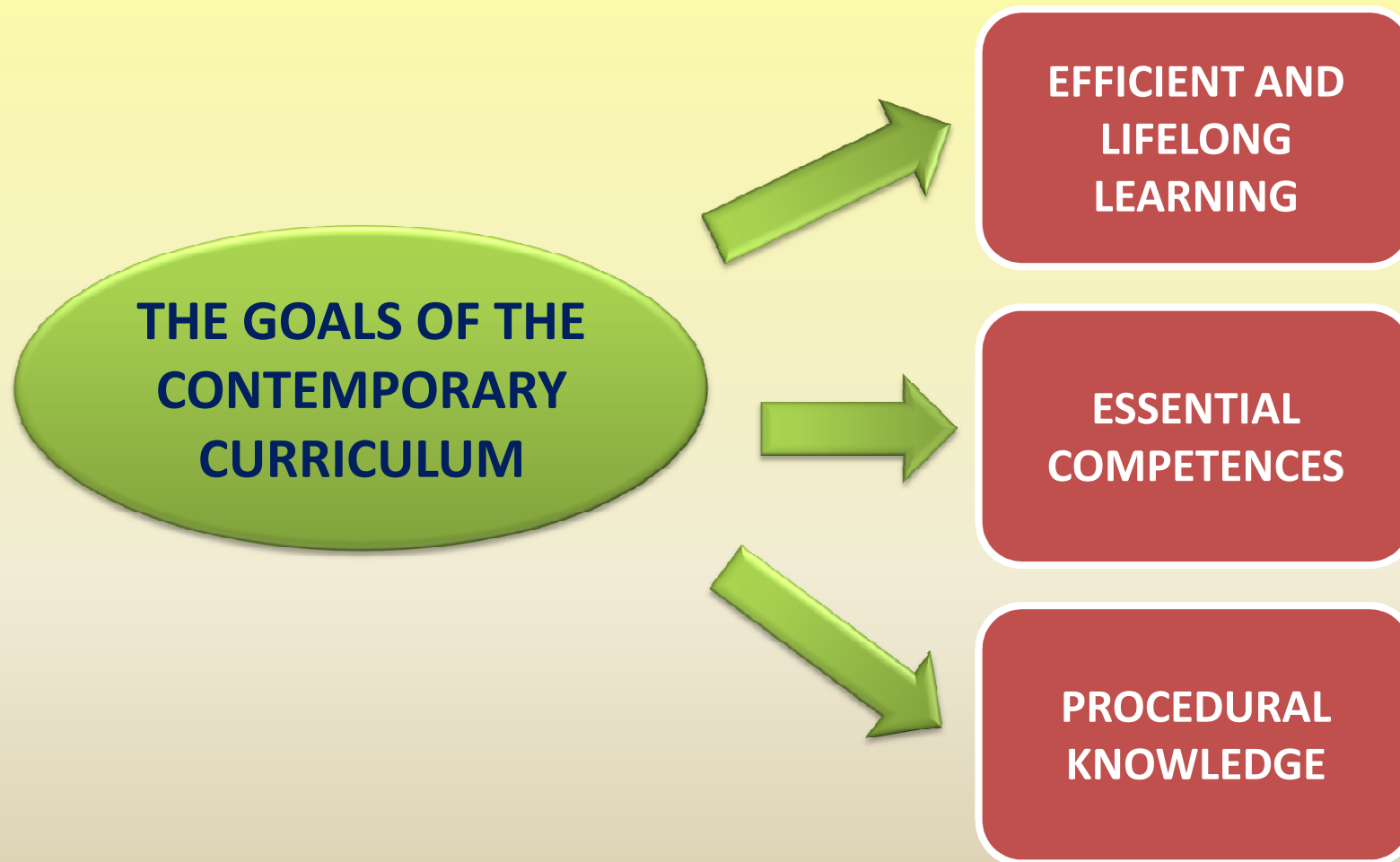
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Introduction



**People generally
remember...
(learning activities)**

10% of what they read

20% of what they hear

30% of what they see

50% of what
they see and
hear

70% of what they
say and write

90% of what
they do.

**People are able to...
(learning outcomes)**

Define List
Describe Explain

Demonstrate
Apply
Practice

Analyze
Define
Create
Evaluate



PROBLEM-BASED TEACHING/LEARNING



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combines theoretical subject knowledge with practical skills

DEVELOPS

comprehensive
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critical
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communication
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self learning
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preparing for successful participation in
different life situations

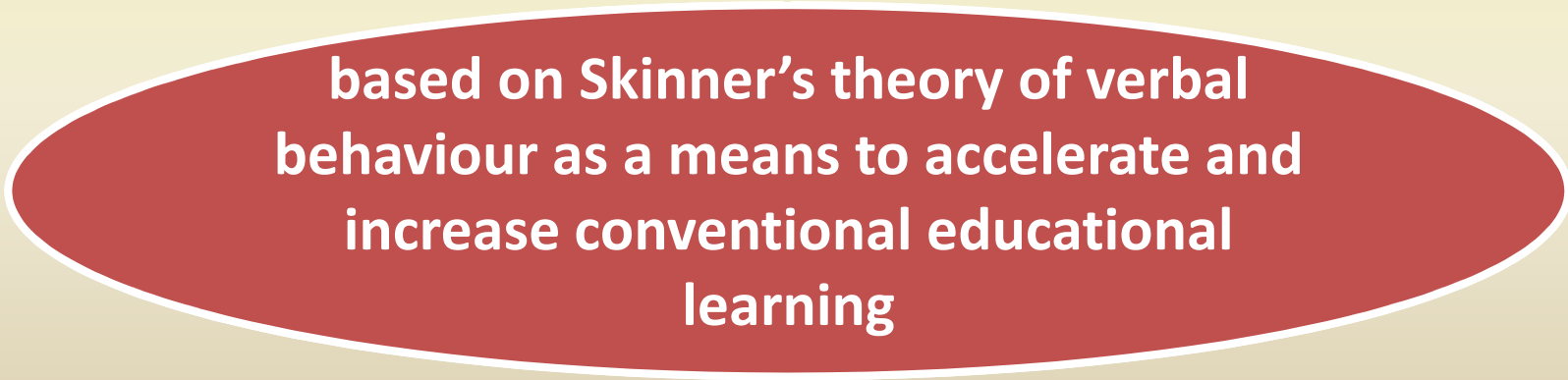
PROGRAMMED TEACHING/LEARNING



**a radical reconstruction of the traditional procedures for
teaching**



**based on Skinner's theory of verbal
behaviour as a means to accelerate and
increase conventional educational
learning**



Problem-based teaching and learning – advantages and disadvantages

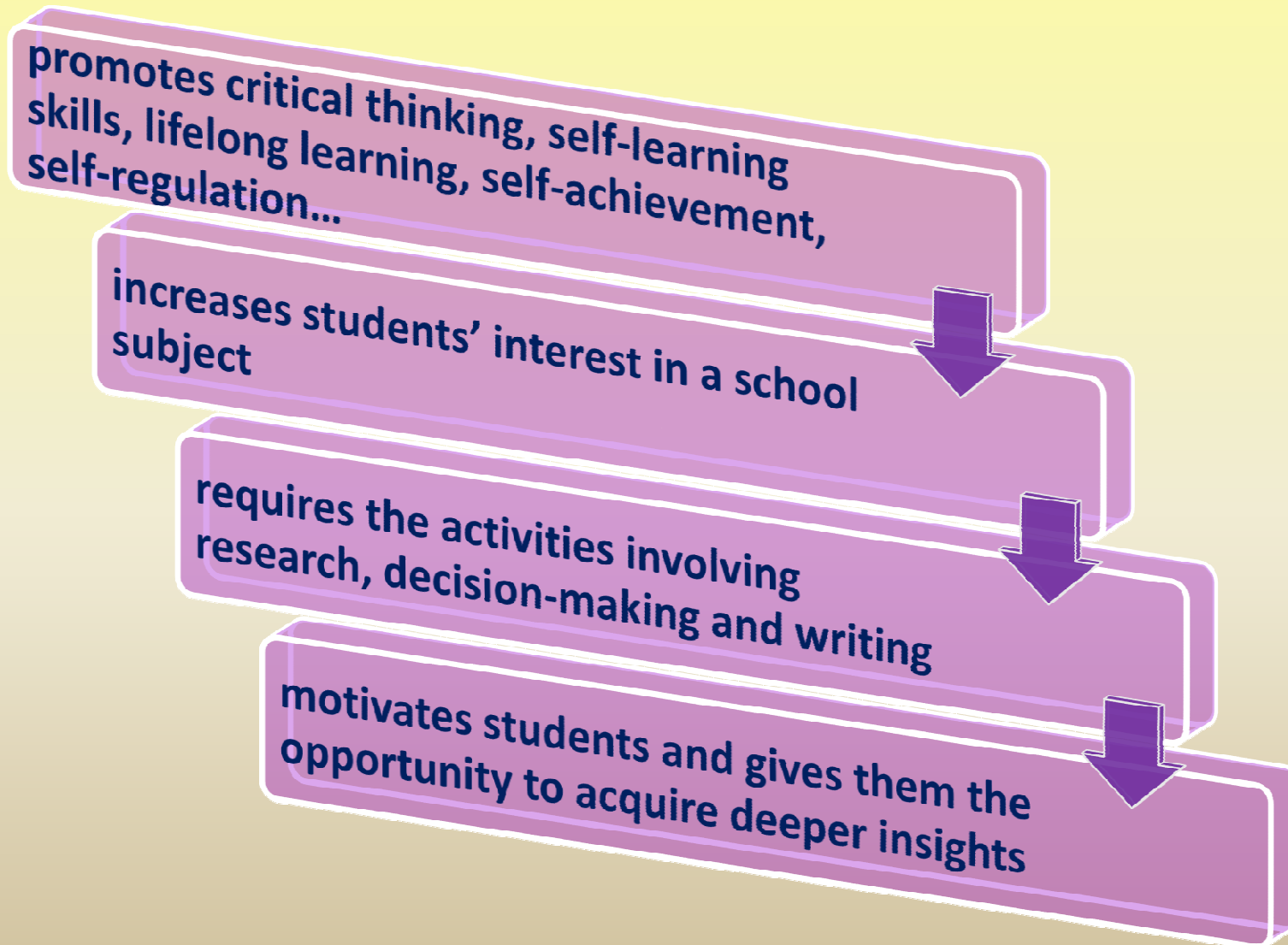
Dewey (1944):

- teaching should appeal to students' natural instincts to investigate and create

Glaser (1991):

- learning is a constructive and not a receptive process

What includes problem-based teaching?





PROBLEM-BASED TEACHING

Advantages	Disadvantages
Students are the active participants of their education	Students might not be in the best position to determine the importance of resources
It motivates students for learning	Students might get lost in problem definitions
It enhances students' problem solving skills and helps them face with practical life problems	It is preparation-demanding for teachers
It develops deeper understanding, critical thinking and development of different skills	It requires a lot of different resources which can be expensive
It develops students' responsibility for learning	It is time-consuming

Programmed teaching and learning – advantages and disadvantages

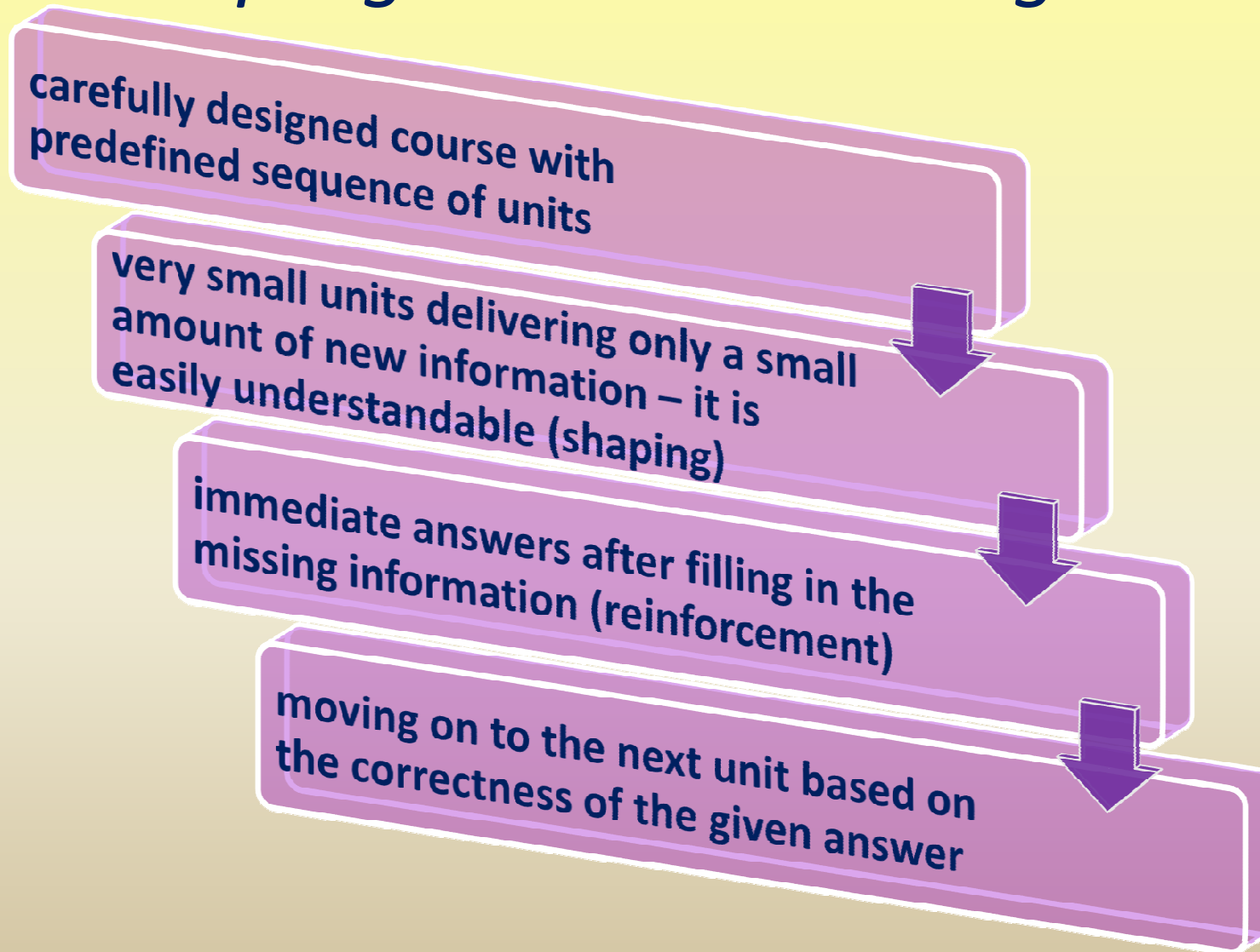
Research shows that programmed teaching:

- is superior to conventional teaching practices in the learning promotion
- it produces similar or inferior learning when compared to traditional approaches

Skinner (1968):

- emphasized the importance of feedback in instruction
- describing its function as shaping and maintaining the learner's responses

What includes learning from programmed teaching?



Linear model

- advancement through the instructional process in a particular order – to correct answers
- specific pieces of information in a series of frames
- recall or apply this information during the tests of comprehension

Branched (intrinsic) model

- use of several possible paths through the sequence of frames
- the remedial frames and remedial loops allows the correct misconceptions – from students' responses to individual steps
- offer students a variety of paths

PROGRAMMED TEACHING

Advantages	Disadvantages
It individualizes learning and develops critical thinking	It limits students in creativity and originality
Students are the active participants of their education	It is appropriate only for independent students
It increases a focus on scientific design and development of instructional materials	It requires a time-consuming preparation of teaching material and teachers are not competent for designing it
In a short period of time students can learn a lot of contents	Only the material that has a logical-mathematical structure can be programmed
It immediately provides the results of knowledge	It restricts student-teacher communication

TEACHING



TRADITIONAL – PROBLEM-BASED – PROGRAMMED

Goal

Cognitive development of students

Holistic development of students and development of different competences

Development of students' independence and of *learn to learn* competence

Cognitive focus

Knowledge as a static and fragmented category

Replication and reproduction of knowledge

Learning as a transmission process

Knowledge as a dynamic, holistic and developing category

Interdisciplinary knowledge, divergent and critical thinking

Learning as a transactional process

Role of the student

Inert and inactive
Waiting to be led

Active learning through experience
Evaluates resources and seeks out evidences
Explains to each other concepts, theories and principles

Active learning
Searches, learns and applies the new knowledge through his/her own self-test questions which provide immediate feedback

Assessment and evaluation

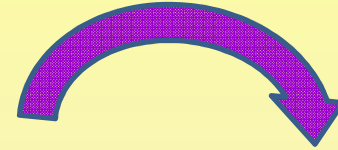
Individual assessment
Mostly summative evaluation

Group assessment
Formative evaluation
Self-evaluation

Individual assessment
Self-evaluation, formative and summative evaluation

Example

Resources and materials



One-dimensional
Structured and predetermined

**Traditional
teaching**

Multidimensional
Creative and different

**Problem-based
teaching**

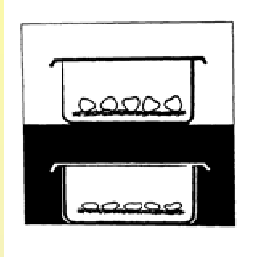
Completely structured (e-learning)
Pre-determined

**Programmed
teaching**

Example of problem-based task

SEEDS AND PLANTS

One scientist was interested in conditions in which the seeds germinated faster. In two pots, on the moist paper, he puts a few grains of corn.



One pot was placed in a well lit, and the other in a darkened room. In both rooms the same temperature is maintained.

After four days, the researchers examined the yield of maize and found that ALL grains germinated.

Based on data from this trial try to conclude how the heat and light influence on germination of seeds.

Heat: _____

Light: _____

Example of programmed task

SEEDS AND PLANTS

Step 1: The plant grows from seed. For sprouting, seeds need certain conditions. One of these conditions is appropriate temperature – heat. Light is not necessary for sprouting of seeds. The seeds will sprout even in a dark place. But when the seed sprouts out of the soil the plant need light for its growing. When the seed sprouts out of the soil, the plant need light for its growing. Light is condition for life and growing of the plant.

Step 2:

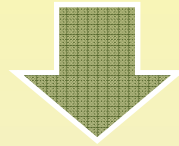
- If we put seeds in soil and leave that pot on room temperature, what will happen with seeds? Why? _____
- If we put seeds in soil and leave that pot in a dark room, what will happen with seeds? Why? _____
- If we put the plant in a dark room what will happen with plant? Why? _____

Step 3:

- If we put seeds in soil and leave that pot on room temperature, seeds will sprout because seeds need appropriate temperature – heat for their sprouting.
- If we put seeds in soil and leave that pot in a dark room, seeds will sprout because the light is not condition for their sprouting.
- If we put the plant in a dark room, the plant will fade, because it needs light for its life and growing.

Conclusion

PROBLEM-BASED TEACHING AND PROGRAMMED TEACHING



**develop
critical
thinking**

**have a
potential to
produce
positive
learning
environments**

**are directed
toward
training for
lifelong
learning**

**are more
effective and
efficient than
traditional
instruction**

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