

Transfer of learning

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Meaning

The application or carry over learning from one act of learning to another is called transfer of learning.

- Implies the application of knowledge learnt in various subjects and fields.
- Basic to education.
- Assumes that child will use whatever is taught in school to solve problems or life after completing formal education.

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Def-

“The carry over habits of thinking, feeling or working of knowledge or of skills from one learning to another usually is referred to as transfer of leaning.” Crow & Crow

“Transfer of learning occurs when a person’s learning in one situation influences his learning and performance in other situations.”

B.L.Bigge

Forms/types of transfer of learning

1. Positive T.
2. Negative T.
3. Zero T.

1. Positive transfer-

When something previously learnt benefits performance of learning in a new situation.

e.g. learning of math's helps in solving numerical problems in physics.

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2. Negative transfer-

Previous learning hinders performance or learning in new situation. e.g. having learnt to pronounce 'put' correctly child had difficulty in learning to pronounce 'but.'

3. Zero transfer-

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