

Chapter 1 : Admissions: undergraduate incoming freshmen

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A champion of andragogy, self-direction in learning and informal adult education, Malcolm S. Knowles was a very influential figure in the adult education field. Here we review his life and achievements, and assess his contribution. He wrote the first major accounts of informal adult education and the history of adult education in the United States. He also wrote popular works on self-direction and on groupwork with his wife Hulda. In this article we review and assess his intellectual contribution in this area with respect to the development of the notions of informal adult education, andragogy and self-direction. Knowles appears to have had a reasonably happy childhood. His father was a veterinarian and from around the age of four Knowles often accompanied him on his visits to farms and ranches. While driving to and from these locations, we engaged in serious discussions about all sorts of subjects, such as the meaning of life, right and wrong, religion, politics, success, happiness and everything a growing child is curious about. I distinctly remember feeling like a companion rather than an inferior. My father often asked what I thought about before he said what he thought, and gave me the feeling that he respected my mind. Boy scouting was also a significant place of formation: Malcolm Knowles gained a scholarship to Harvard and took courses in philosophy where he was particularly influenced by the lecturing of Alfred North Whitehead , literature, history, political science, ethics and international law. Again, his extracurricular activities were particularly significant to him. Involvement in voluntary service for the latter got him working in a boys club. Knowles also met his wife Hulda at Harvard. Initially intending to make a career in the Foreign Service, Malcolm Knowles enrolled in the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy when he graduated in from Harvard. He passed the Foreign Service exam " but there was a three year wait for entry. Hulda and he had got married in and he needed a job. Knowles joined the new National Youth Administration in Massachusetts. His job involved him in finding out what skills local employers were looking for, establishing courses to teach those skills, and recruiting young people to take the courses. About three months into the work he met Eduard Lindeman who was involved in the supervision of training within the NYA. Lindeman took Knowles under his wing and effectively became his mentor. He was drafted into the Navy in , began to read widely around the field of adult education, and decided to undertake a masters programme at the University of Chicago when he was mustered out. His adviser at the University of Chicago was Cyril O. Knowles also fell under the influence of Carl Rogers. Malcolm Knowles gained his MA in His thesis became the basis of his first book *Informal Adult Education* published in see below. He attended a couple of summer sessions of the National Training Laboratories in and and was influenced by the thinking of their founders: Knowles spent nine years at the Adult Education Association, and as Jarvis He also started studying for a PhD at the University of Chicago. Significantly, he began charting the development of the adult education movement in the United States " and this appeared in book form in It was the first major attempt to bring together the various threads of the movement " and while it was not a detailed historical study Jarvis He saw that the movement was, in a sense, peripheral to the dominant institutions in society and yet important to it. He recognized that the very disparate nature of the movement prevented its being adequately coordinated from a central position. In Malcolm S. Knowles joined the staff at Boston University as an associate professor of adult education with tenure and set about launching a new graduate programme. He spent some 14 years there during which time he produced his key texts: These books were to cement his position at the centre of adult education discourse in the United States and to popularize the notion of andragogy see below. He also updated his key texts and published a new book on *Self Directed Learning* He had time to write further articles and books. He died on Thanksgiving Day, , suffering a stroke at his home in Fayetteville, Arkansas. In Britain Josephine Macalister Brew had published the first full-length treatment of informal education in However *Informal Adult Education* was a significant addition to the literature. He contrasts formal and informal programmes as follows: Formal programs are those sponsored for the most part by established educational institutions, such as universities, high schools, and trade schools. While many

adults participate in the courses without working for credit, they are organized essentially for credit students. Informal classes, on the other hand, are generally fitted into more general programs of such organizations as the YMCA and YWCA, community centers, labor unions, industries and churches. Informal programmes, Malcolm S. Knowles suggests, are more likely to use group and forum approaches. Several important differences are found between the interests in organized classes and the interests in lecture, forum and club programs. In the first place, the former are likely to be stable, long-term interests, while the latter are more transitory. In the second place, lectures, forums and club programs are more flexible than organized classes. In a program series the topics can range from pure entertainment to serious lectures, while an organized class is necessarily limited to a single subject-matter area. Third, the lecture, forum, and club types of programs generally require less commitment of time, money and energy from participants than do organized classes. As a result they are likely to attract people with somewhat less intense interest. This included understandings gained from his time with Eduard Lindeman, Cyril O. Houle and others within the adult education field; his knowledge of community organization within and beyond the YMCA and via the work of Arthur Dunham and others ; a growing appreciation of the dynamics of personality and human development via Carl Rogers and Arthur Sheldin ; and an appreciation of groupwork and group dynamics especially via those associated with the National Training Laboratories. He also had some insights into the relationship of adult education activities to democracy from his contact with Dorothy Hewlitt at the NYA see Hewitt and Mather Knowles on informal adult education The major problems of our age deal with human relations; the solutions can be found only in education. Skill in human relations is a skill that must be learned; it is learned in the home, in the school, in the church, on the job, and wherever people gather together in small groups. This fact makes the task of every leader of adult groups real, specific, and clear: Every adult group, of whatever nature, must become a laboratory of democracy, a place where people may have the experience of learning to live co-operatively. Attitudes and opinions are formed primarily in the study groups, work groups, and play groups with which adults affiliate voluntarily. These groups are the foundation stones of our democracy. Their goals largely determine the goals of our society. Adult learning should produce at least these outcomes: Adults should acquire a mature understanding of themselves. They should understand their needs, motivations, interests, capacities, and goals. They should be able to look at themselves objectively and maturely. They should accept themselves and respect themselves for what they are, while striving earnestly to become better. Adults should develop an attitude of acceptance, love, and respect toward others. This is the attitude on which all human relations depend. Adults must learn to distinguish between people and ideas, and to challenge ideas without threatening people. Ideally, this attitude will go beyond acceptance, love, and respect, to empathy and the sincere desire to help others. Adults should develop a dynamic attitude toward life. They should accept the fact of change and should think of themselves as always changing. They should acquire the habit of looking at every experience as an opportunity to learn and should become skillful in learning from it. Adults should learn to react to the causes, not the symptoms, of behavior. Solutions to problems lie in their causes, not in their symptoms. We have learned to apply this lesson in the physical world, but have yet to learn to apply it in human relations. Adults should acquire the skills necessary to achieve the potentials of their personalities. Every person has capacities that, if realized, will contribute to the well-being of himself and of society. To achieve these potentials requires skills of many kinds—vocational, social, recreational, civic, artistic, and the like. It should be a goal of education to give each individual those skills necessary for him to make full use of his capacities. Adults should understand the essential values in the capital of human experience. They should be familiar with the heritage of knowledge, the great ideas, the great traditions, of the world in which they live. They should understand and respect the values that bind men together. Adults should understand their society and should be skillful in directing social change. In a democracy the people participate in making decisions that affect the entire social order. It is imperative, therefore, that every factory worker, every salesman, every politician, every housewife, know enough about government, economics, international affairs, and other aspects of the social order to be able to take part in them intelligently. The society of our age, as Robert Maynard Hutchins warns us, cannot wait for the next generation to solve its problems. Time is running out too fast. Our fate rests with the intelligence, skill, and

good will of those who are now the citizen-rulers. The instrument by which their abilities as citizen-rulers can be improved is adult education. This is our problem. This is our challenge. Knowles *Informal Adult Education*, Chicago: Association Press, pages This may, in part, derive from the limited extent to which he experienced adult education as a social movement.

Chapter 2 : Welcome “ Adult Learner Advising Services ” Cape Cod Community College

Get this from a library! Adult learners welcome here: a handbook for librarians and literacy teachers. [Marguerite Crowley Weibel] -- Designed to help librarians connect new adult readers with books and to acquaint literacy teachers with materials generally available in their public library.

Here are some ideas for the use of songs in the ESL class: Filling in the blanks Songs are often used in this way in the ESL classroom. You can carefully choose which words to blank out depending on what lexical area you want your students to work on. Listening Comprehension Instead of doing your usual listening comprehension out of the course books, do a song instead. Get your students thinking about the subject and do any pre-teaching of vocabulary as necessary. As with standard listening comprehension, there are a variety of exercises that you can do with songs: Phonetics You can use a song with a clear rhyme pattern to do some phonetics work on particular phonemes. Strips of Paper The lyrics you will find on this site can be cut up into strips which then need to be reconstructed as the song unfolds. Vocabulary Some songs lend themselves well to vocabulary work. When possible, I have noted on the menu pages when vocabulary exercises are possible. Idea from Sarah, Toronto: I like to have students listen first without the lyrics. I ask them to write down all words and phrases that they hear and share them with the class. Then we listen again with the lyrics and go over vocab. It is interesting to provide lyrics with several small mistakes and have students see if they can hear where they are. With some of the songs, I have included a couple of suggestions as to how they can be used but everyone will find something different in each song worth doing. Of course, you can always just do the songs with your students for the sheer pleasure of it The Dangling Modifier Our new blog , for teachers and learners of English. Articles on ESL teaching, lesson preparation, teaching theory and much more. Come and visit us today, take part, feel free to leave a comment - registration not required. Register on blog Sign In requests Do you have any requests for songs that you would like to see on this page? Do you have any ideas for how the songs that are already here could be best used in the class? We would appreciate some feedback on this area of the site as we would then better be able to make it relevant for the other ESL teachers. You can even post us lyrics directly for a song you would like to see on the site.

Chapter 3 : Book Review: Adult Learners Welcome Here: A Handbook for Librarians and Literacy Teachers

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Chapter 4 : Welcome to Brainfuse eLearning

Adult Learners Welcome Here: A Handbook for Librarians and Literacy Teachers is divided into three sections. Part I outlines the role of the library as a "literacy classroom" and describes the state of literacy in the United States.

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Trained in both adult education and library sciences, Weibel (Ohio State U.) has actively promoted the collaboration of public libraries and adult literacy programs for some 25 years. She offers a resource for librarians and literacy teachers/tutors, program directors, policy makers, community.

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