

<u>ENHANCING</u> LIFE SKILLS

 $-\underline{EMPATHY}$





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What are Life Skills?

DEFINITION

Life skills are behaviors that enable individuals to adapt and deal effectively with the demands and challenges of life

Any skill that is useful in your life can be considered a life skill

Life skills are often taught in the domain of parenting, either indirectly through the observation of the child, or directly with the purpose of teaching a specific skill Life skills can vary from financial literacy through substance-abuse prevention, to therapeutic techniques to deal with disabilities such as autism

Life skills touch upon issues that are:-

- ★ <u>Real:</u> they actually affect people's livestopical
- ★ Sometimes sensitive: they can affect people on a personal level, especially when family or friends are involved
- ★ <u>Often controversial</u>: people disagree and hold strong opinions about them
- ★ <u>Ultimately moral</u>: they relate to what people think is right or wrong, good or bad, important or unimportant in society.

The World Health Organization in 1999 identified the following core cross-cultural areas of life skills



How does training in life skills benefit young people ?

It helps them to develop selfconfidence and successfully deal with significant life changes and challenges, such as bullying and discrimination

It gives them a voice at school, in their community and in society at large It enables them to make a positive contribution by developing the expertise and experience they need to assert their rights and understand their responsibilities



UNDERSTANDING EMPATHY

What Empathy Is



The English word empathy is derived from the Ancient Greek word empatheia, meaning "physical affection or passion" Empathy is the capacity to understand or feel what another person is experiencing from within their frame of reference, that is, the capacity to place oneself in another's position



Having empathy can include having the understanding that there are many factors that go into decision making and cognitive thought processes

What Empathy Isn't



Being empathetic does not mean lowering your expectations Empathy may not be about feeling sorry, but it is about feelings

Types of Empathy

Cognitive Empathy

 Cognitive empathy is basically being able to put yourself into someone else's place, and see their perspective
Cognitive empathy is 'empathy by thought', rather than by feeling

Emotional Empathy

 * Emotional empathy is when you quite
literally feel the other
person's emotions
alongside them
* Emotional empathy is
also known as
'personal distress' or
'emotional contagion'

Compassionate Empathy

* Compassionate empathy is what we usually understand by empathy: feeling someone's pain, and taking action to help * Compassionate empathy is the type of empathy that is usually most appropriate



TEACHING WITH EMPATHY:

WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

The first step is helping teachers understand why empathy must be an integral part of any classroom and school

Ways to Show Empathy for Students Who Learn and Think Differently

Feeling understood and supported is especially important for students who learn and think differently It helps them stay motivated, increases selfawareness, and encourages them to advocate for themselves These selfadvocacy and selfdetermination skills lead to better outcomes in employment and post-school life



Planting Seeds of Empathy

Rather than a one-dimensional trait, empathy comprises nine teachable competencies
Each competency is suitable for students from kindergarten through high school (as well as adults) and can be taught





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