

UNIT- I

Concept of teaching

Teaching is a process in which one individual teaches or instruct another individual. Teaching is considered as the act of imparting instructions to the learners in the classroom situation. It is watching systematically. Dewey:- considers it as a manipulation of the situation, where the learner will acquire skills and insight with his own initiation.

Teaching, its simple meaning is referred to either as occupation or profession of a community

known as teacher or an Activity or Activities of a group undertaken to help an individual to learn

or acquire some knowledge, skills, attitudes or interest etc.

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Descriptive Definitions of Teaching

- Teaching as Success
- Teaching as Intentional Activity

- Teaching as Normative Activity
- Scientific Definition of Teaching
- Teaching as Intentional Activity

"Teaching is undertaking certain tasks or activities the intention of which is to induce learning"

- A teacher can anticipate that certain activities will result in learning, but not guarantee it.
- In short, successful teaching cannot be reduced to a set of general rules, or a prescribed pattern of behavior.

- **Teaching as Normative Activity**

"normative teaching requires that the activities of teaching conform to certain ethical conditions"

- conditioning (stimulus-obeying behavior)
- indoctrinating (uniformed belief)
- brainwashing (conditioned behavior/uninformed belief)
- informing (information with explanations or evidence, no experience provided)
- training (rule-obeying behavior)
- instructing (training and informing)
- teaching (processes of verification, concern for what student thinks, preparing them for independent action)

- **Scientific Definition of Teaching**

- "teaching is the process of carrying out those activities that experience has shown to be

effective in getting students to learn"

- a major problem is that there is very little research that agrees systematically on anything

craft wisdom is frequently good, but sometimes is in error

- a scientific definition is probably not possible given student autonomy

“Teaching is an intimate contact between a more mature personality and a less mature one which

is designed to further the education of the latter.

“Teaching is the Task of teacher which is performed for the Development of a child.”

Teaching definition:-

(1) H C Morrison:- Teaching is an intimate contact between the more mature personality and a less mature one.

(2) Jackson:- Teaching is a face to face encounters between two or more persons, one of whom (teacher) intends to effect certain changes in the other participants (students).

(3) J B Hough and James K Duncan:- Teaching is an activity with four phases, a curriculum planning phase, an instructing phase, and an evaluating phase. This definition presents the organizational aspect by which we can describe and analyze the teaching process.

(4) N.L.Gage (Democratic point of view):- Teaching is interpersonal influence aimed at changing the behavior potential of another person.

(5) Clerk:- Teaching refers to activities that are designed and performed to produce in students behavior.

