A CHILD’S EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

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One’s life in school should become productive, fruitful and meaningful. Every learner should enjoy the opportunity in the discovery of various things in school and must savor every moment in interacting in the class. These are the scenarios that we truly miss and will be doing when we go back to the conventional and usual face-to-face school setting in the future.

In this time when the learners are in their homes and are studying through distance learning mode, the teacher has to emphasize how they will achieve experiential learning. Experiential learning happens when a pupil, student or a child learns by doing things and by contemplating of their experiences in his or her path to discovery and learning.

The child’s simple reflection on a certain thing may be an experiential learning. Reflecting or contemplating on a certain topic or idea in a particular learning area increases experiences and lets the child to do practical things which are vital in one’s progress. Reflection or contemplation increases one’s awareness and understanding.

There are times that the learner has to apply simple critical analysis. There are several lessons that require a child to analyze critically. It is considered an experiential learning when a child acquires knowledge and wisdom through the examination or scrutiny of parts or components which is being experienced in school or home learning.

In dealing with varied ideas, the child has to form a simple synthesis that is to have the mixture or fusion of related ideas. Synthesis is also associated with experiential learning in the sense that the child is able to put good ideas together to form a brilliant output.
The child may learn experientially by applying a meek initiative. Instilling within the child the value of initiative would be a good notion. A child will attain experiential learning when he or she initiates in doing a certain task or responsibility as related to school or in studies.

In the process, the learner encounters things that require basic decision-making. This is such a good experience to have at a young age the child learns to decide on his or her own. Making decision would be a great experience most especially on the part of every learner.

The engagement in different learning areas may help the child improve in different domains or aspects like in intellect, in creativity, in emotion, in socialization and in physical attribute as well.

Learning from environment and people is experiential. The child learns to discover and appreciate things in the surrounding and meet people who are valuable and worthy. The things that the child sees outside would be instrumental in one’s learning.

There are various ways that a child may achieve experiential learning and the teacher is here to guide him or her along the way.

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