

banking model of education ^[1]

Type of Speech:

noun ^[2]

Definition:

Model of education in which teachers "deposit" information and skills into students. The emphasis is on memorization of basic facts rather than on understanding and critical thinking. The idea of the banking model was articulated and critiqued by Brazilian liberation theologian Paulo Freire in *Pedagogy of the Oppressed* (1970).

Additional Information:

Freire rejects the banking model of education in favor of problem-posing education in which students act as "critical co-investigators in dialogue with the teacher." Chapter Two of Freire's *Pedagogy of the Oppressed* ^[3] details his argument against banking education.

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