

didactic instruction ^[1]

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Type of Speech:

n. ^[2]

Definition:

teacher-centered method of instruction in which teachers deliver and students receive lessons, best suited to brief delivery of factual information.

Additional Information:

Didactic instruction is one of three parts of the Paideia ^[3] approach. Appropriate use requires careful planning and organization, a clear focus, and brevity.

Opponents of didactic instruction argue that it assumes active teachers and passive students, inhibits student development by fostering superficial learning of basic facts, and makes students dependent instead of teaching them skills for independent problem solving.

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