

# Special Education in the Present day Education

## Special Education:

- Special education means especially designed instruction that meets the unusual needs of exceptional children.
- It is the education of children who differ socially, mentally, physically and emotionally from the average children.
- It is the process of education that addresses the individual differences and needs of exceptional children.

## 1) Special education as intervention –

- **Preventive:** Designed to keep minor problems from becoming a disability.
- **Remedial:** Attempt to eliminate the effect of a disability.
- **Compensatory:** Enable successful functioning in spite of the disability.

## 2) Special education as instruction –

- Individually planned
- Specialized
- Intensive
- Goal-directed

# Basic Principles of Special Education

- Principle of individual difference;
- Principle of individualized instruction;
- Principle of Zero-rejection;
- Principle of least restricted environment;
- Principle of non-discriminatory evaluation;
- Principle of parental participation;
- Principle of Universalization;
- Principle of special process;

# Importance of Special Education

- Human resource development
- Universalization of education
- Preparation for self-dependence
- Meet the multiple needs
- Development of aptitude and inner potentialities
- Mainstreaming from segregation
- Diagnosis of problems
- Preventive measures

## Conclusion

- Special education helps the special needs children to adjust with the situation.
- It pays attention to the individual needs and demands of exceptional children.
- It also helps to eliminate the inferiority complex among the special needs children.
- It gives emphasis on holistic development of special needs children.

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