

Learning and Education of CWSN

Learning means-

- to bring changes in the behaviour of the organisms.
- Modification of behaviour
- Process of adjustment

Smith- “Learning is the acquisition of new behaviour or the strengthening and weakening of old behaviour as the result of experience”.

- Gates- learning is the modification of behaviour through experience and training.

Basic Laws of Learning

Thorndike, the great American psychologist has discovered three basic laws and five supplementary laws of learning. The basic laws are– law of readiness, law of exercise, and law of effect.

Law of Readiness:

- Both physical and mental preparation as well as readiness is required for effective learning.
- Readiness is dependent upon maturation and experience of the learner.
- Law of readiness emphasizes the importance of motivation in learning.
- It is very effective for class–room teaching.

❖ Law of Exercise:

- Repetition makes the learning more effective.
- Exercise makes the learning long lasting.
- This law is also called 'law of use' and 'law of disuse'.
- **Law of Use:** when a modifiable connection is made between S-R frequently then the strength of that connection is increased.
- **Law of Disuse:** when a modifiable connection between S-R is not made over a period of time, the strength of that connection is weakened.

❖ Law of Effect:

- ❖ Action that lead to satisfying outcomes are likely to be repeated.
- ❖ Behaviour that lead to disappointing results are likely not to be repeated.
- ❖ Pleasure results motivate to engage in further activities.
- ❖ Learners should be praised for good conduct, honesty etc.
- ❖ Learners should be blamed for dishonesty, laziness etc.

❖ Educational Implication of Laws of Learning:

- Law of readiness helps the learner for the preparation to learn new knowledge.
- Teacher must wait till the learner is ready to learn and should give those experiences which helps to enhance readiness.
- Law of exercise emphasizes the value of repetition, drill and practice.
- More opportunities and time should be given to the students to use and repeat their acquired knowledge.
- Law of effect state that learning experiences must be meaningful, understandable and satisfactory.

Thank You.