



The Key to success: Be HOW thinker and not an IF thinker!!!!

IB Learner Profile: Thinker

How can parents help to develop students who are thinkers at home?

1. Encourage your child to engage in pretend play, children are naturally curious and imaginative.
2. Pause and wait...give your child time to think for him/herself, be patient.
3. Don't intervene immediately, it's okay to let your child explore on their own.
4. Ask open-ended questions.
5. Help children develop hypotheses.
6. Encourage critical thinking in new and different ways.
7. Encourage your child to retell stories, put on plays with story props.
8. Leave time for unstructured play.
9. Encourage your child to play and explore outside.
10. Encourage Creative Thinking.

11. Let your child experience failure, and then let him/her figure out how to turn their failure into a positive learning experience.
12. Provide opportunities to visit Children's Museums and Libraries.

Category	Associated thinking skills
1. Remember	Recognizing, recalling
2. Understand	Interpreting, exemplifying, classifying, summarizing, inferring, comparing, explaining
3. Apply	Executing, implementing
4. Analyse	Differentiating, organizing, attributing
5. Evaluate	Checking, critiquing
6. Create	Generating, planning, producing

(Anderson, Krathwohl 2001)