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HABITS OF MIND

A Resource Kit for Australian Schools



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Habits of mind are defined as “*dispositions displayed by intelligent people in response to problems, dilemmas, enigmas, ambiguities and challenges, the resolutions of which are not immediately apparent*” (Costa, 2000). These “habits” can aid both students and adults in school and in everyday life.

How do we help students to develop these intelligent behaviours? A number of Australian schools have been working together with the Australian National Schools Network in a research circle to explore the use of the 16 Habits of Mind in their classrooms. Their aim: to help students become better thinkers and know how to draw from a repertoire of strategies when they don’t know what to do and develop the habit of doing so. The school stories included in the kit describe the pedagogical practices that have been used as teachers develop classrooms and schools where thinking is encouraged and valued.

Appropriate for primary and secondary teachers.

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