

Thinking

A person's thoughts are like water in a deep well. But someone with insight can draw them out.

Proverbs 20:5, TEV

It is the work of true education to develop this power, to train the youth to be thinkers, and not mere reflectors of other men's thoughts.

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The education that consists in the training of the memory, tending to discourage independent thought, has a moral bearing which is too little appreciated. As the student sacrifices the power to reason and judge for himself, he becomes incapable of discriminating between truth and error, and falls an easy prey to deception. He is easily led to follow tradition and custom.

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For ages education has had to do chiefly with the memory. This faculty has been taxed to the utmost, while the other mental powers have not been correspondingly developed. Students have spent their time in laboriously crowding the mind with knowledge, very little of which could be utilized.

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