
Unleashing the Power of Education

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The Power of Education

- What is the power of education?
 - What does it mean to unleash the power of education?
 - How do we unleash this power?
 - It all begins with what we expect from education.
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Expectation and Education

- It is hard to get more from an education than you expect to get from it.
 - Pygmalion Effect: people perform better when you expect them to succeed.
 - To get much from education we must expect much.
 - Dr. Mihai Nadin of U. T. Dallas promotes “Anticipation Theory.”
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Expectations and Anticipation Theory

- “Expectations influence results.”
 - “Beliefs shape possibilities.”
 - “Events fulfill intentions.”
 - “Anticipation creates realities.”
 - T.S. Elliot: “The end is where we start from.”
 - M. Nadin: Anticipation creates the present from a future. “The cause lies in the future.”
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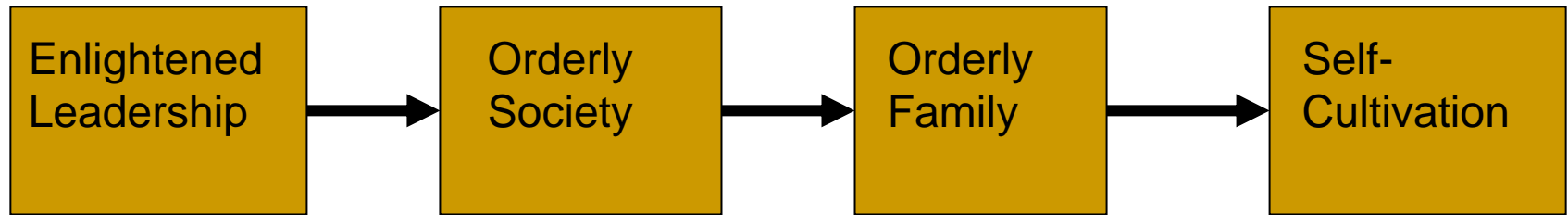
A View of Education

- What you expect from education affects how you perceive an educational system.
 - How you perceive the success of an educational system depends on your beliefs about education.
 - Expectation & education are a feedback loop.
 - Education shapes your world view.
 - Your world view shapes education.
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The Power of the Process

- Education is the key to the Good Life.
 - This is the power of education.
 - As the power of a spring comes from winding it, so the power of education comes from its process.
 - The full power of education lies in a broad view of education in the process of life.
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Winding the Spring – The Broad View



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1. Education must have leadership

2. A supportive society

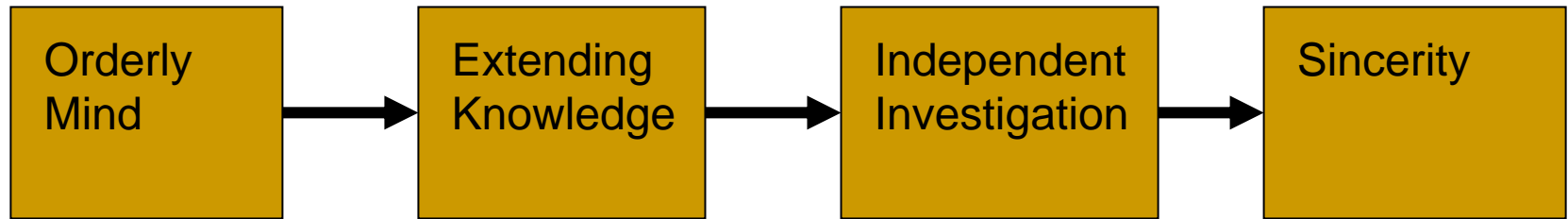
3. Nurturing & guidance within a good home

4. Teaching self-control

} Society's
Contribution

} The Family's
Contribution

Winding the Spring



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5. Teaching thinking and reasoning

6. Teaching facts

7. Teaching the art of inquiry

8. Developing & refining sincerity

} Foundations for
Thinking

} Critical
Thinking

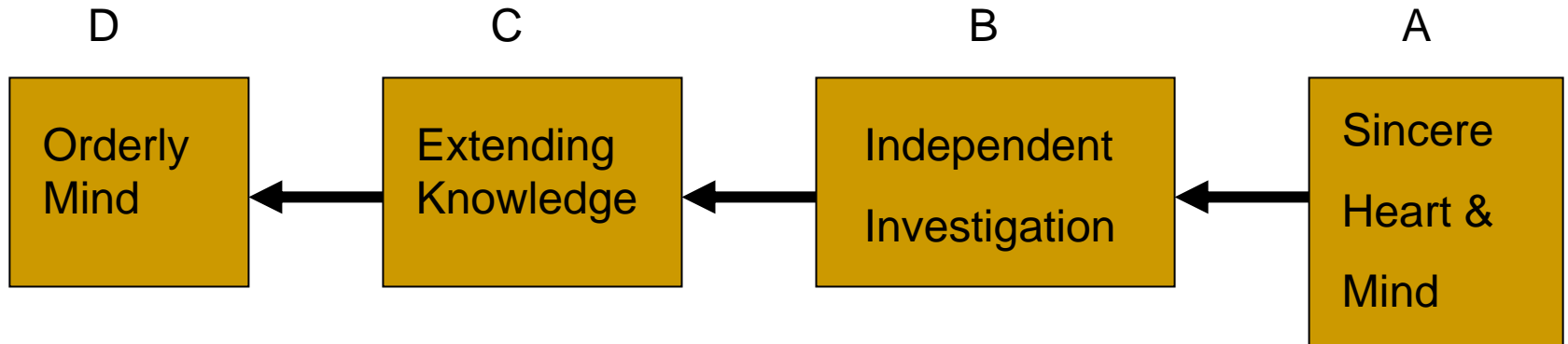
The Unity Principle

There is unity between learning and action.

- Why Socrates said, “Virtue is knowledge.”
- Learning is the beginning of action.
 - Winding the spring
- Action is the completion of learning
 - Unleashing the power

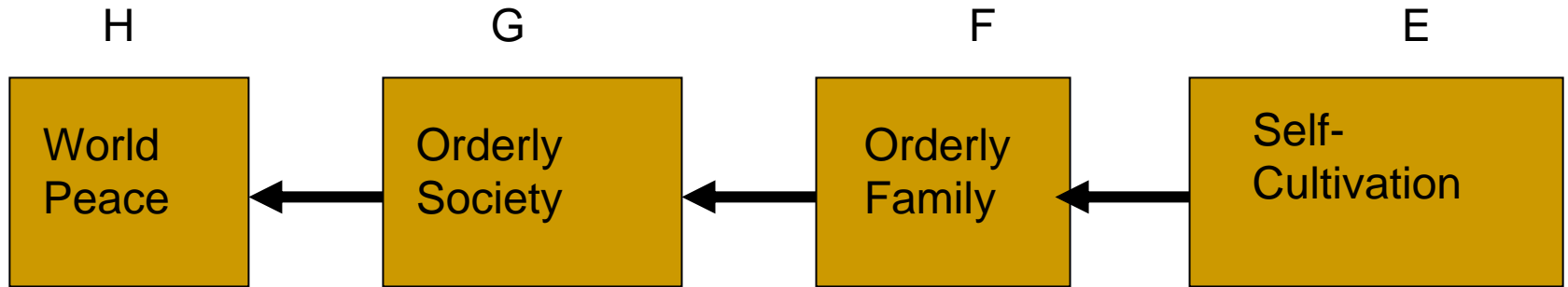
Education is power

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- A. Sincerity is the foundation of our humanity.
- B. Sincere inquiry leads to successful investigation.
- C. Successful investigation adds to our knowledge.
- D. New knowledge tests our reasoning and improves our minds.

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- E. A perceptive mind supports self-cultivation through introspection
- F. Adults create orderly families by first cultivating themselves.
- G. An orderly society is made up of orderly families.
- H. Harmony between orderly societies leads to world peace.

The Process of Education

- Highest goals in the path for youth:
 - Independent inquiry
 - A sincere heart
 - These come from the wellspring, or root, of a good home.
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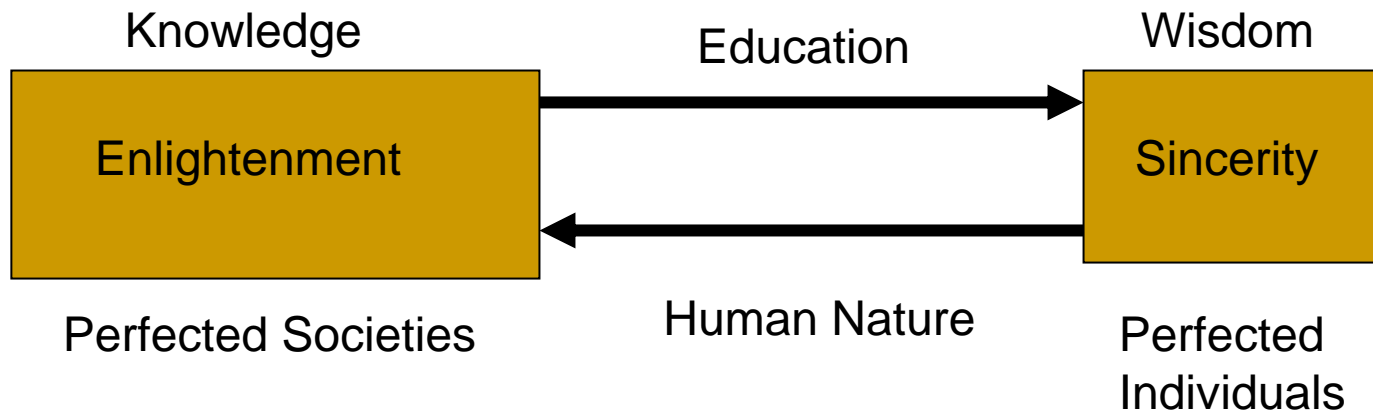
- Highest goals in the mature path:
 - A good family
 - A harmonious society
 - A world at peace
 - These come from the wellspring, or root, of sincerity.
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- We must have the right goals for education:
 - For the young the goal is a sincere heart
 - For the mature the goal is a harmonious world.
 - Education must be rooted in the right soil:
 - For the young – the good home
 - For the mature – the sincere heart
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The Process Summarized

- Human nature shapes society.
- So shape human nature.

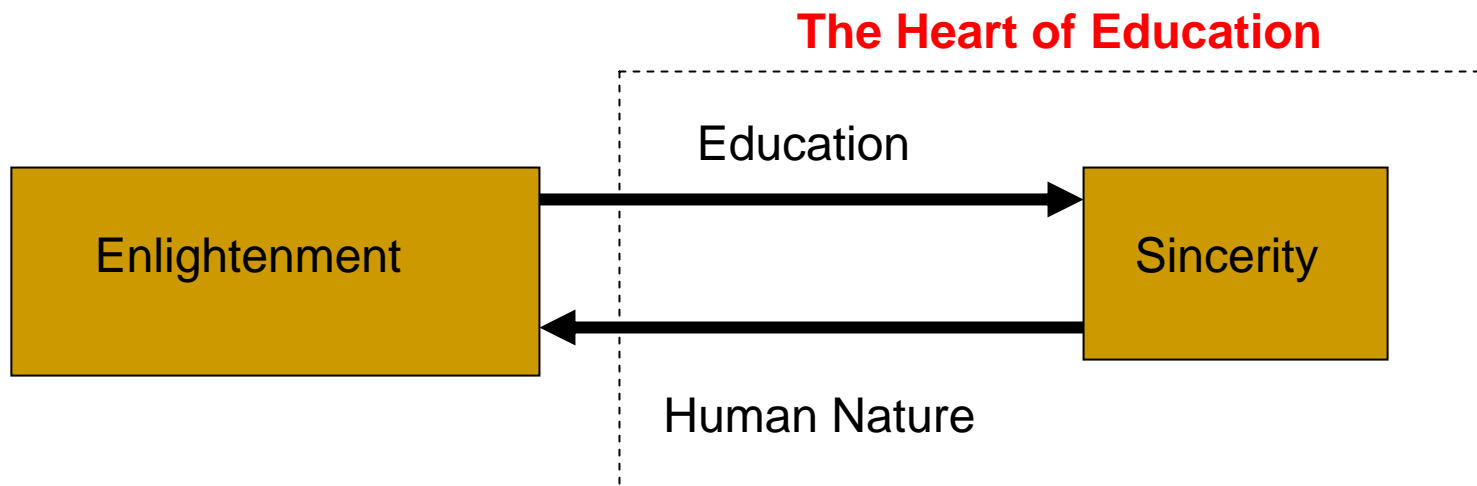


Education Leads to Action

- We should expect education to develop self-actualizing individuals.
 - We should expect self-actualizing people to transform society.
 - We must anticipate education leading to a better society and a better world.
 - Self-transformation leads to world transformation.
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Education Transforms a Person

- Real education transforms the human heart.
- The transformed heart transforms the world.



Education is a Process

- Life is a process of learning and growth.
 - Education is a part of the process of life.
 - We get the full power of education when it fulfills its true role in the process of life.
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Expectations for Education

- People are important.
 - We must expect education to develop:
 - Good people
 - Successful people
 - Self-actualizing people
 - We must view education as a never ending process for the individual and the community.
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The Power of Education

- Education fulfills our humanity by refining our human nature.
 - Our human nature will carry us to our destiny.
 - Character is destiny.
 - Shape character to claim your destiny.
 - Choose your destiny!
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Conclusion: a Paradigm Shift

- Education goes beyond schooling.
 - Education is rooted in the family.
 - Education empowers people.
 - Education is the true wealth of the community
 - Education is hope for the future.
 - Education is destiny.
 - We can shape our destiny with the Winding Spring Process of Education.
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