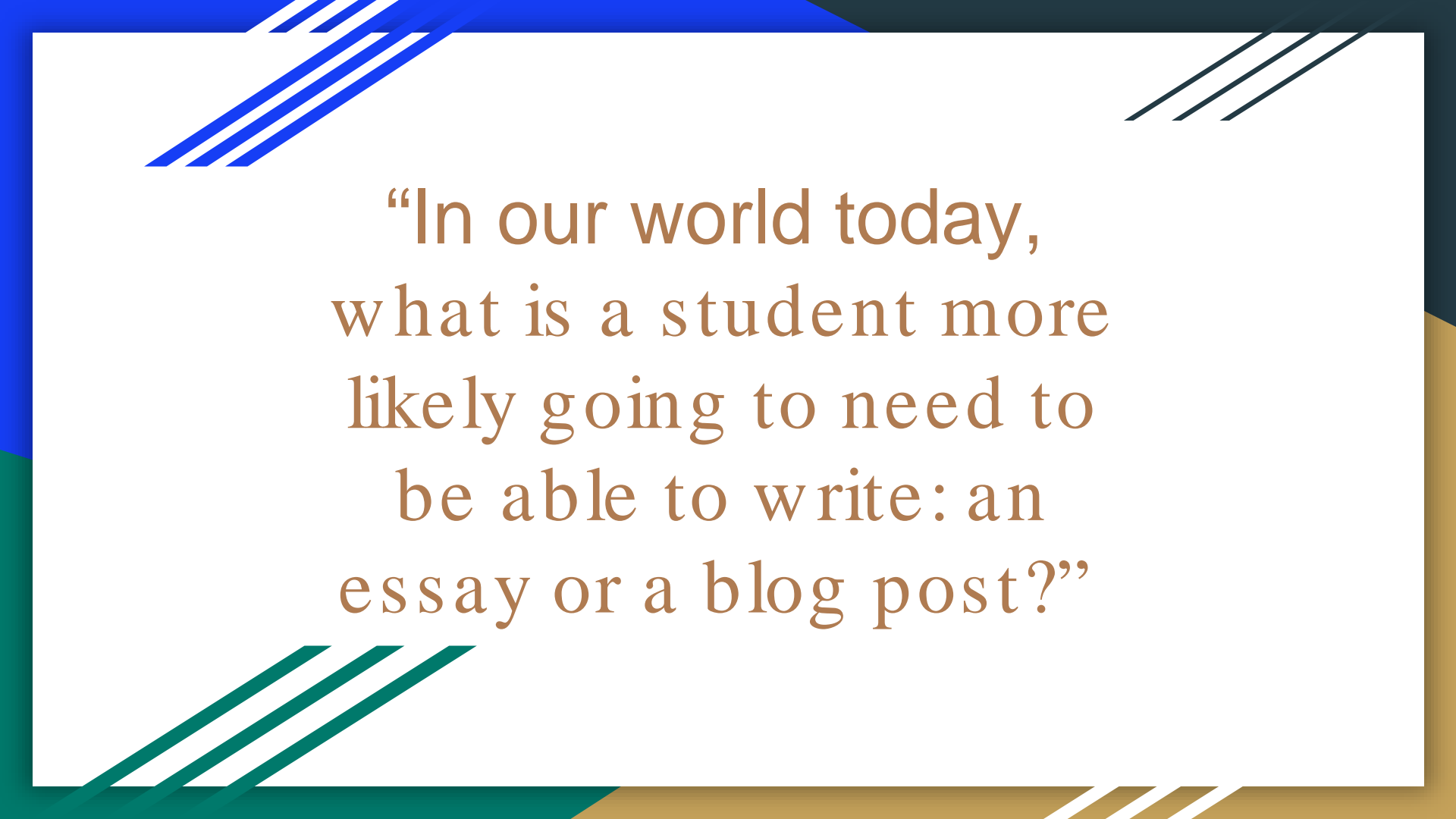






'What is this STEM approach everyone is talking about and how can I integrate it to best maximise student engagement?'




“In our world today,  
what is a student more  
likely going to need to  
be able to write: an  
essay or a blog post?”



“We rarely create  
something different  
until we experience  
something different.”



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**TODAY**  
IS  
THE DAY

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# STEM vs STEAM



# STEM

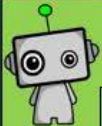
According to Ge, Ifenthaler, and Spector, (2016) STEM is defined as “academic and professional disciplines associated with science, technology, engineering and mathematics; typically conceived of separately, with sub-disciplines, although new pedagogical approaches encourage cross-disciplinary learning in areas” (p.5).

# STEM is an interdisciplinary approach to teaching

## *Interdisciplinary*

relating to more than one branch of knowledge.

Therefore, for STEM to be truly effective in the classroom you **MUST** integrate two or more areas in STEM into your lesson/unit



# Application of Computational Thinking Across the Curriculum!

What equipment do you need for school today?

What were the key events of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century?

What countries make up Europe?

Write a list of shopping items

Identify the playing positions in a rugby team

Break down a word phonetically

Play Charades!

Break the story of Romeo and Juliet down into its main sections

Organise a birthday party! What will you need to think about?



## Decomposition

Breaking something down into smaller parts

Primary Terminology – “Break Apart”

Early Years Foundation Terminology – “Pieces”

Identify the instruments used within a song

Top trumps!

How does your post get to you?

Break down a typical day at school

Identify the different parts of a bike What components make up the wheel?

Build a computer game using scratch. Think about graphics, levels, character...

Pack a bag for your summer holiday

Write down a list of ingredients for a Victoria sponge cake

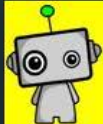
What characters will you create for your story?

What information do you need to work out the circumference of a circle?

How did Wales do in Euro 2016?

Explain the movements for the different pieces in a game of chess





# Application of Computational Thinking Across the Curriculum!

“That word sounds like...”

Critically review an existing piece of work.

Give feedback comparing work to specific criteria

Correct application of Male/Female tenses

Sudoku

Solitaire

Chess tactics

Logic puzzles

Does the star wars and superman theme tunes sound the same?

Preferred playing positions in a sport

## Pattern Recognition

Looking for similarities or trends

Pattern and sequence matching

What do platform computer games have in common?

Primary Terminology - “Patterns”  
Early Years Foundation Terminology - “Matching”

Spot the difference

Identify gradients /contours in an OS map to measure steepest route

Code breaking

Days of the week/Month

Times tables

What drawing technique would be best to use for that style of image?

“What tactics worked well the last time we played them?”

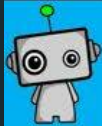
Identify similar rifts within a song

Word search

Sorting and classifying activities

Fit shapes into correctly shaped holes

Maths patterns, e.g. Fibonacci series (1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21...)



# Application of Computational Thinking Across the Curriculum!

“What did you learn in today's lesson?”

Write a long term training plan

Write a blurb for your movie

Crosswords

Draw a picture of your family

What noise does a dog make?

Following a subway map

Write a match report

Create a model

What are the key skills you need to be a good Hockey player?

Draw a cartoon

Write a synopsis of your story

Explain your idea in 30 seconds!

Articulate

Draw a concept design

What are the key calculations required within the formula?

“What's the weather forecast for today?”



# Abstraction

Focusing on what's important, ignoring what is unnecessary

Primary Terminology - “Thoughts”

Early Years Foundation Terminology - “Ideas”

Recreate the image

Explain briefly what will happen in your computer game.

Recreate the Eiffel Tower in Mine craft!

Who is David Beckham?

Demonstrate the technique used to ...

Do an impression of...

From your research, summarise your key findings.

“What's your plan for the weekend?”

Charades

What happened to Henry VIII's wives?

“How does that song go again?”





# Application of Computational Thinking Across the Curriculum!

Draw a map

Explain the process of photosynthesis

Write a piece of music

Write an algorithm to show how your computer game character will move.

Write a short term training programme

Create a timeline of events for WWII

Create a paint by numbers

Making patterns

Create a storyboard for an animation

Create a phrase book

# Algorithmic Design

Create a set of step-by-step instructions to complete a task

Primary Terminology – “Instructions”

Early Years Foundation Terminology – “Plan”

Write a recipe for ...

Write out the steps for conducting your experiment

Choreograph a dance / gymnastics routine

Create a tactical playbook

Create an origami

Dot to dot

Build a pirate ship out of Lego

Write a shopping list

Create a family tree

Create a blueprint to design a ...



Draw a diagram to show the water cycle

Create a coaching card for the tennis serve



Create a flowchart to show how you would ...

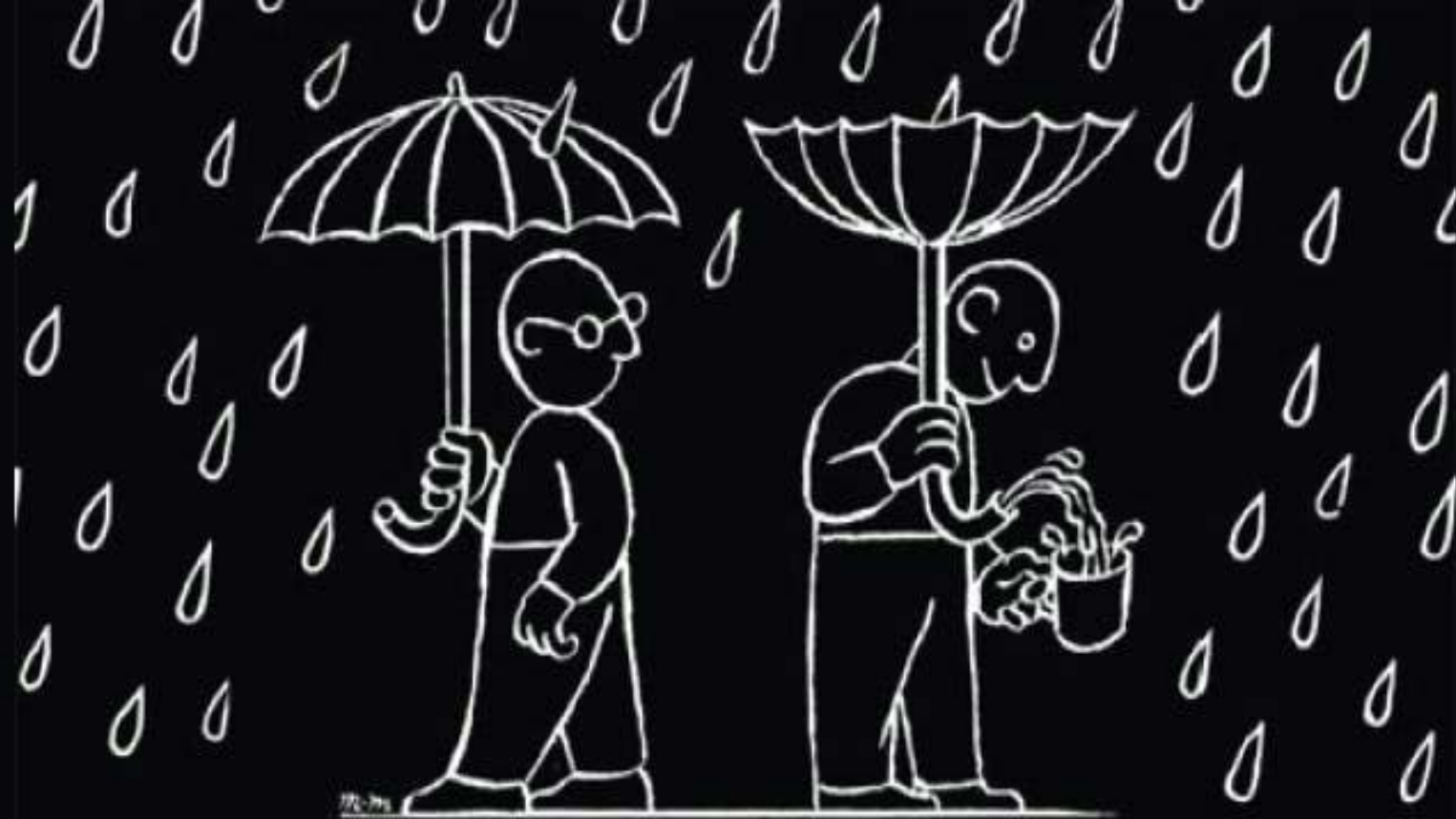
Speed cup stacking!

Create a how 2 guide so someone else can recreate your drawing

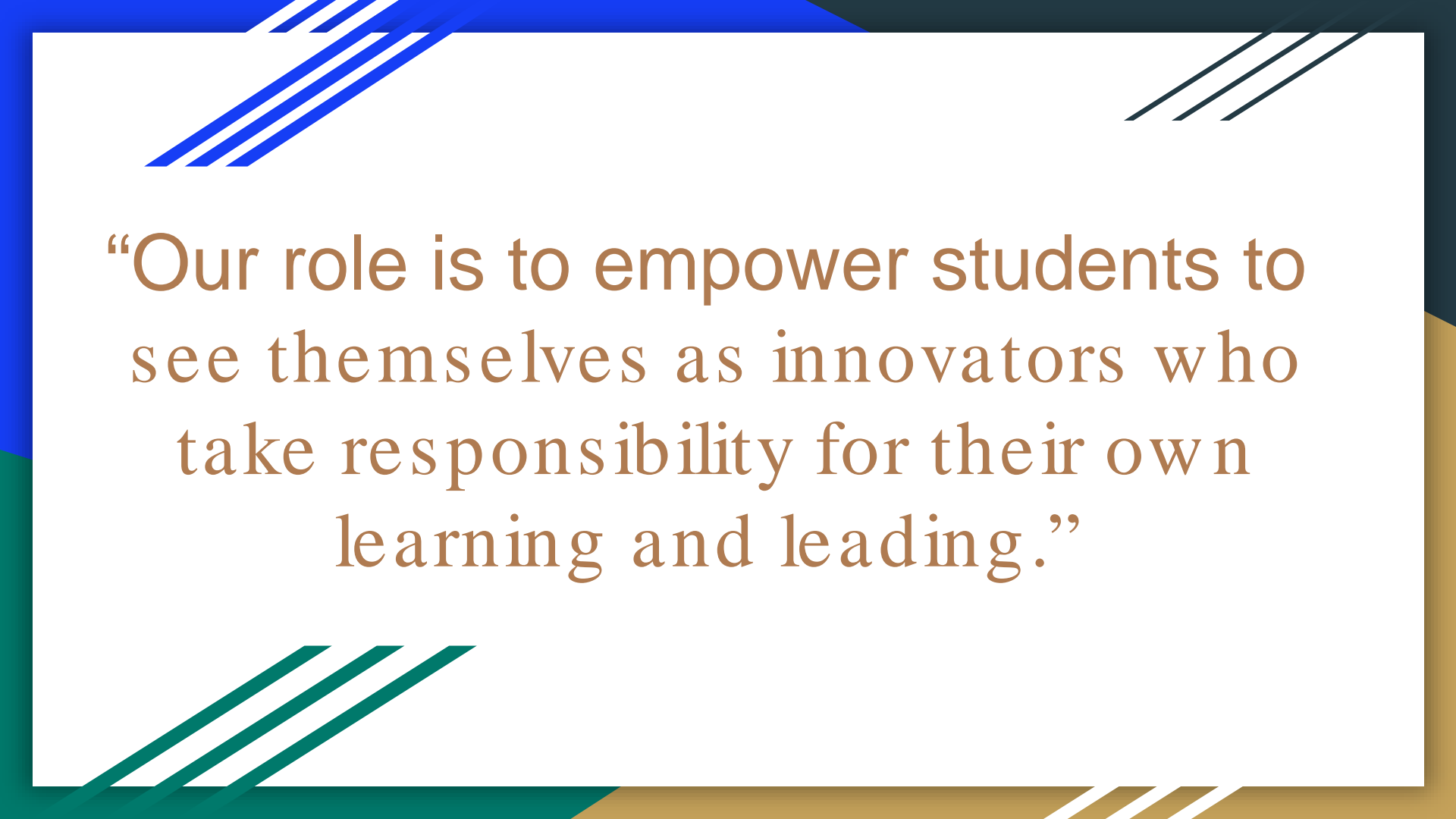


“Any time teachers think differently about who they teach and how they teach, they can create better learning opportunities. Questioning what we do and why we do it is essential for innovation.”





**INNOVATION IS A STATE OF MIND**



“Our role is to empower students to see themselves as innovators who take responsibility for their own learning and leading.”

Wonderings







It doesn't matter how many resources you have.



If you don't know how to use them,  
it will never be enough.





“Change is an  
opportunity to do  
something amazing”

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# The SAMR Model for Technology Integration

# S A M R

I wonder what's in the ocean?



NO TECH

## SUBSTITUTION

Tech acts as a direct tool substitute, with no functional change.

## AUGMENTATION

Tech acts as a direct tool substitute, with functional improvement

## MODIFICATION

Tech allows for significant task redesign

## REDEFINITION

Tech allows for the creation of new tasks, previously inconceivable.

ENHANCEMENT

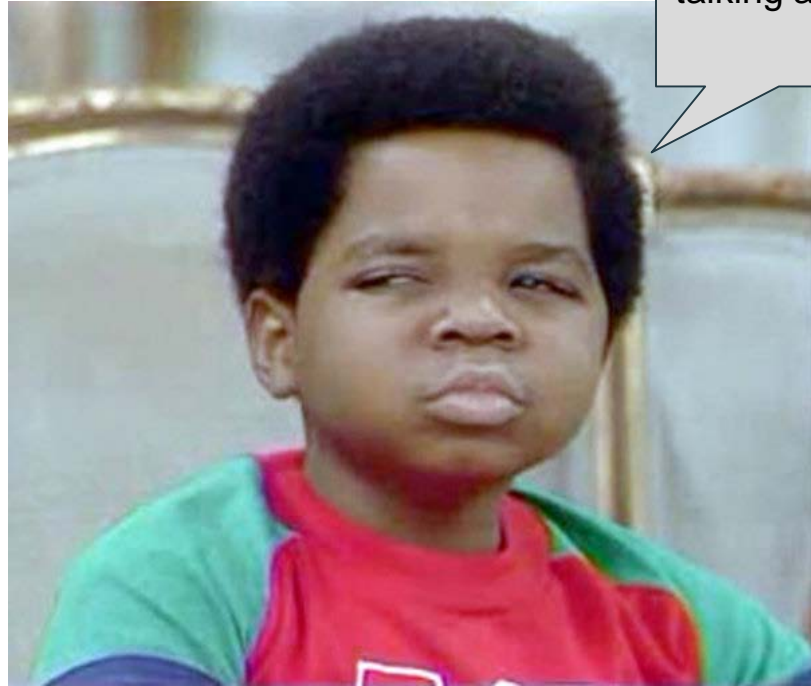
TRANSFORMATION



# Picture Book STEM



# Future Focused Learning



What you  
talking about?

What are the future focused learning principles?

Collaboration

Communication

Critical Thinking

Creativity