

# Building Learning Power™ with Guy Claxton

## An overview of the latest developments

- ▶ Help young people to become better learners
- ▶ Balance subject content with learning how to learn
- ▶ Grow students' learning characters for a learning age

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Guy is a trainer and writer of international renown and Visiting Professor of Education at King's College London. His practical ideas to enhance students' capacity to learn have influenced educational practice all over the world. His books include "Hare Brain, Tortoise Mind", "Building Learning Power", "What's the Point of School?" and most recently "Educating Ruby: What Our Children Really Need to Learn" with Bill Lucas.

### The brain is born ready, willing and limitless

- Strengthen students' abilities to be:
  - Effective decision makers
  - Powerful learners
- Expand your students' learning capacities
- Flex pupils' learning muscles every day, every lesson:
  - Questioning
  - Collaboration
  - Skilful problem solvers
  - Their own teachers
  - Critical thinking
  - Determination

### 10 practical ways to create a BLP school - from seeds to sustainability

- Create a classroom climate where questioning is king
- Build a collaborative staff community and monitor its vital signs
- Create a common language of 'learnish' in the curriculum
- Get parents involved - how to send ideas home

### Build on BLP case study outcome

- Daily and exceptional job satisfaction
- High staff involvement in school pedagogies
- Harnessing student voice
- Transformation of student behaviour
- Exam result success

### Going beyond 'hints and tips'

- Tools to become a learning power coach
- Dual focus to involve lesson content and learning power
- 'Wild topics' that engage students
- 'Potentiating' activities to work learning muscles
- Winning classroom routines:
  - See Think Wonder (STW)
  - Independent Collaborative Teacher (ICT)
  - Plus Minus Interesting (PMI)

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