

Individualized Education: What is it?

Teacher Notes—Answer Key for participant notesheet

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Introduction

1. Who are the students in your class today?
2. How are their backgrounds different?
3. Where are they at in their relationship with God today?

Individualized education gives you the opportunity to help each of your students during the class session.

A. The student becomes the center of the learning experience.

1. Each student works at his own desk, at his own speed.
2. At certain points in his daily studies he must stop and discuss his progress with his teacher.

B. The role of the teacher

1. It's very different from the traditional classroom where lecture is the most common teaching method.
2. The student lessons provide the information.
3. The teacher spends the entire class period in **one-on-one** conversations with students.

C. What individualized education is not...

1. It is not a self-study curriculum.
2. It is not a self teaching set of lessons.
3. It is not a correspondence course, though it is similar to this.
4. It does not eliminate the need for **teachers** in the classroom.

D. Individualized Education is...

Student centered personalized study where the teacher is present and **active** in assisting the students.

E. What kinds of questions will you find in the PSNC lessons?

1. Fill in the blanks
—to make sure you understand the basic points of the lesson.
2. Personal **opinion** questions
—Also ask for past personal experiences related to the topic of the lesson.
3. Personal **response** questions
—How are you going to personally apply in your daily living the lessons you are studying?

F. Why the individualized approach to education?

1. Students learn best when they are **actively** involved in the learning experience.
2. What kind of learning do you want your students to do?
--memorize facts?
--learn how to apply God's word in their daily living
3. It is essential for learning to lead to **personal application**.
4. Every person is **unique**—we can offer personal help to each student that fits their needs. We can start at their point of need.
5. Every student needs personal **attention**.
6. Every person needs to grow.

Questions for discussion

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