

Are There Any Humanities
Growing Amongst The
STEM's?

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STEM, STEAM, Oh the Humanities????

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How can we do it all.. And do it well?

Observations From An Old Teacher

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Children are different these days... how so?

Why do we have rules? What tools can we give our kiddos to make them better citizens??

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Common Sense, Street Smarts, Social Norms

Add The “Human” Side

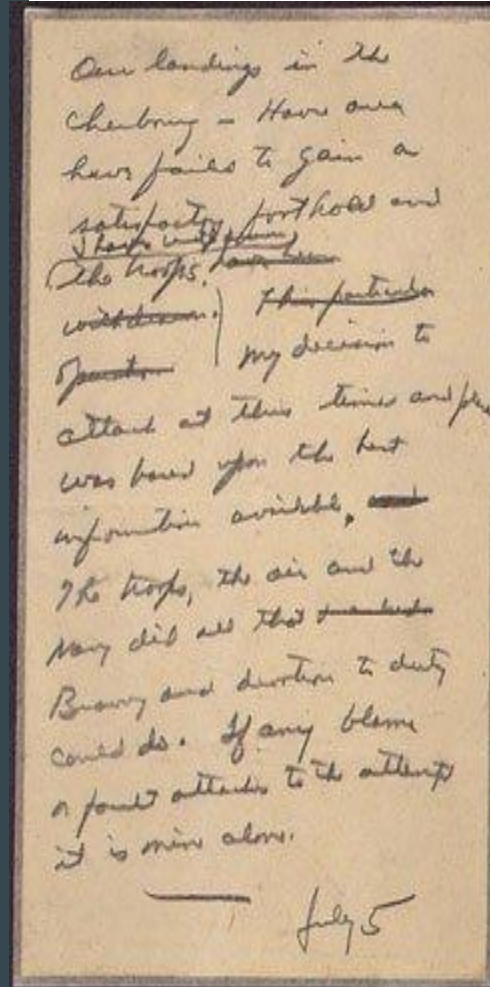
*The Arts and Humanities put
flesh, bones and skin on people,
events, and places..*

The world is a PG + place!



We All Make Mistakes And May Fail

Thank goodness that all heroes
aren't angels...
There is hope for us all!!



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So.... How Do We Add The
Humanities?

Not all Teachers are created the same.....

Realistically, it is not always easy to put right brain activities into left brain subjects. Teachers need support and something EASY!!

Here is how....

- Be willing to experiment
 - Tolerate controlled chaos
 - Accept that not all of us can easily add EVERYTHING!
 - Some of these ideas might require you to be outlandish or silly...
 - You may not be that funny of a person but you can still be relatable
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Let The Students Get To Know You!

Try to be “Relationship Driven”

- Make yourself a “human being”
 - Tell them about mistakes you have made
 - Share how your subject matter relates to them
 - Don't be afraid to make a mistake... own it!!!!
 - You are not perfect... they are not either!
 - Be a “story-teller”
 - “Hook them in”
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History Is In Everything

We all know that “truth is stranger than fiction”!

- In Science, talk about the scientists and their lives
 - In Technology, have the students do some type of project regarding an event or person
 - In Engineering, talk about the people who are building and the impact of the project
 - In Math, you can talk about statistics in relation to events that have occurred in the past
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Art And Its History

Every painting tells a story and there needs to be an understanding of that..

But there is more to art than just painting..

- Explain “Portrait Reading”
 - Go to virtual museums
 - Allow the students to make stories about the people in a painting
 - Let the students draw and color.. Even the older ones like to do this!
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Albert Einstein

Although he was brilliant... he
still had to deal with “life”



Literature

You can read stories that are
fiction OR non-fiction!

Reading is so important!

- Reader's theater is always great!
 - Outside reading novels are a good way to “sprinkle” in some literature
 - Have them search the virtual libraries and look for stories
 - They can write their own stories about events
 - Let them change the ending of an event to figure out perspective of the “what if”
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Music

Students love to be creative but they do love to listen as well!

- Choose music from a specific time period and play it!
- Let the kids write their own songs and put it to their own music!
- If you are willing to sing... just do it!

Drama

You can do this... your students
can too!

- Reader's Theater!
 - Dress-up as a character!
 - Allow students to “pretend to be the people they are studying”!
 - “May Madness”
 - Allow them to use their greatest computer... their brain and imagination!!
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Dance

This is, in my opinion, the toughest one to add into the classroom, but..

- Learn a dance from a different culture.
 - Let the students dance to the music they sing or make.
 - Let the teachers dance to keep the students interested
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What else can we add?

Psychology, Sociology,
Economics, Philosophy, Cultural
Studies, Ethics



Add Life Lessons....
Isn't that why we teach???

Here are some resources!

I have these and many more as a
handout attached to my session

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fKrKn6kA7TB2DQO1Ig18ZYAOITG9YMoHqGD-3ddg2Gk/edit?usp=sharing>

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