

lab notes



ICP International Lab

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Welcome to our September/October autumn edition!

In each edition of 'lab notes' we share ideas and links from a constructivist point of view which we hope you will find interesting and inspiring. We are always pleased hear about your ideas and links for future issues: icp_intlab@gmail.com

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The sea was never blue (article)



“Plato’s list of colours includes white, black, red and, most remarkably, the ‘brilliant and shining’, which to us is not a colour at all”

“Every culture has its own way of naming and categorising colours ... different ocular areas are stimulated, which triggers different emotional responses, according to different cultural contexts”

<https://aeon.co/essays/can-we-hope-to-understand-how-the-greeks-saw-their-world>

Austin’s butterfly (video)



“We can make other drafts ... if it’s not right, we can make it better”

Ron Berger from Expeditionary Learning demonstrates his work with elementary school children on the practice of constructive critique. This short video stimulates our ideas about how we might find alternatives to ‘right’ v ‘wrong’ in early education.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hqh1MRWZjms>

How much time do we have? (article)



“By learning a new language, you suddenly become attuned to perceptual dimensions that you weren’t aware of before”

Panos Athanasopoulos (co-author)

Bilinguals go between different ways of estimating time effortlessly and unconsciously ... a growing body of evidence demonstrates the ease with which language can creep into our most basic senses, including our emotions, our visual perception, and now it seems our sense of time

<https://qz.com/977356/being-bilingual-makes-you-experience-time-differently/>

New explorations in PCP (journal)



The online journal Personal Construct Theory and Practice has published a special edition featuring papers from EPCA 2016 ‘A New Spirit in PCP’ - including papers on identity, conflict resolution, arts in organisations, the ‘not real’, animals, couples, refugees, philosophy, and games.

Very many thanks to journal editors Joern Scheer and Viv Burr for making the conference papers freely available online, helping us to promote and share new developments in PCP with everyone, everywhere!

<http://www.pcp-net.org/journal/pctp17/index.html>



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