

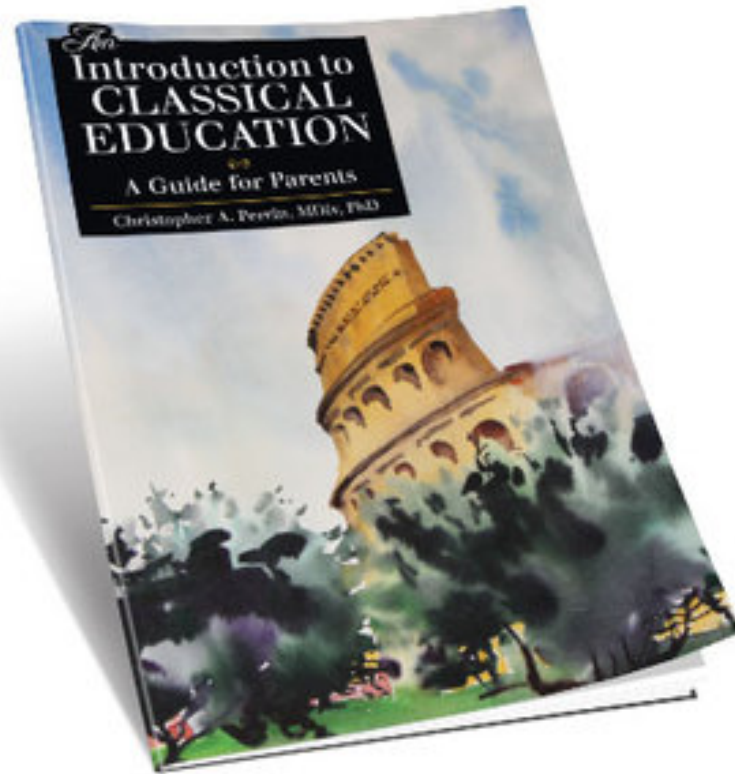


Recovering Classical Education

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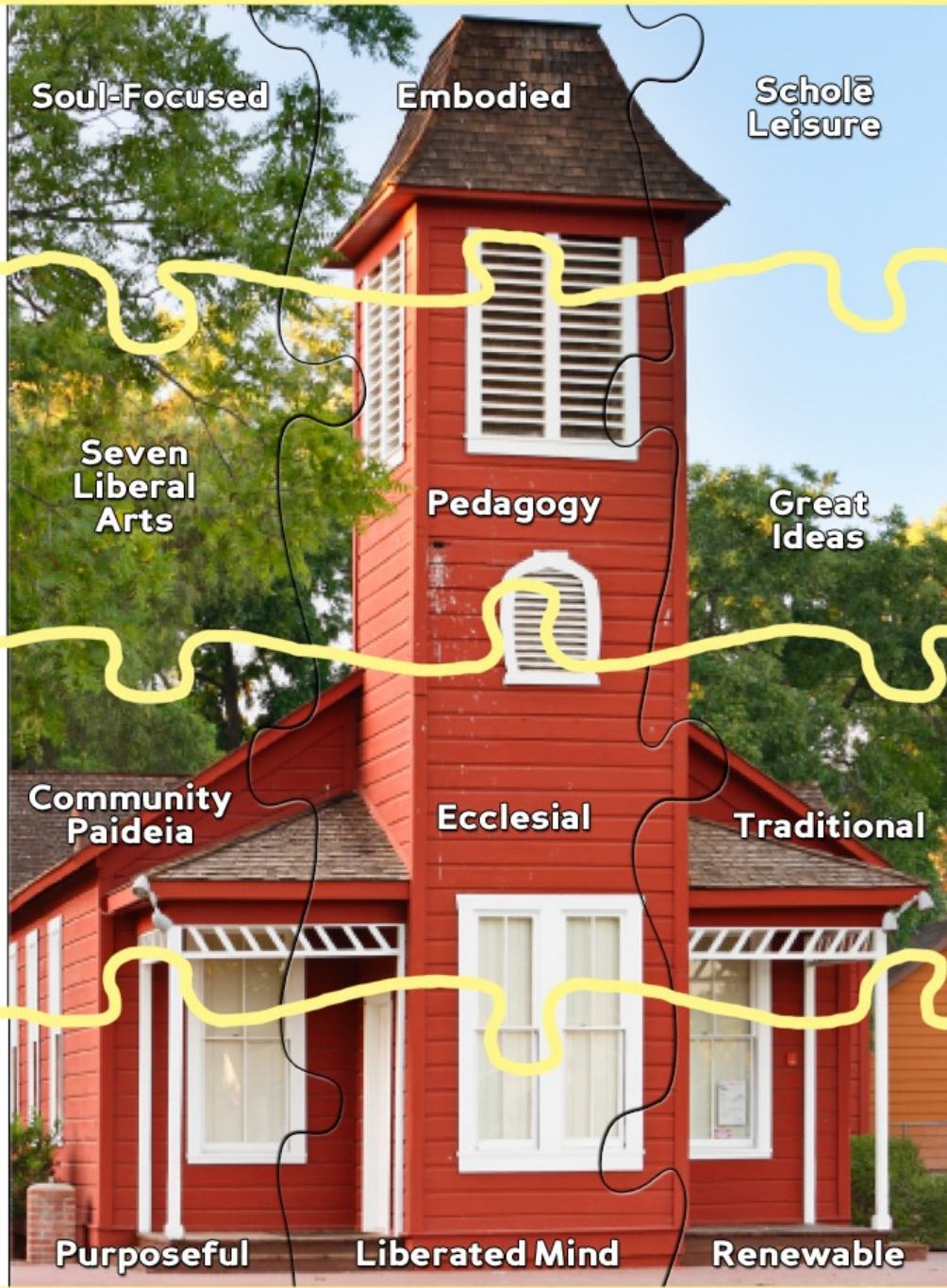
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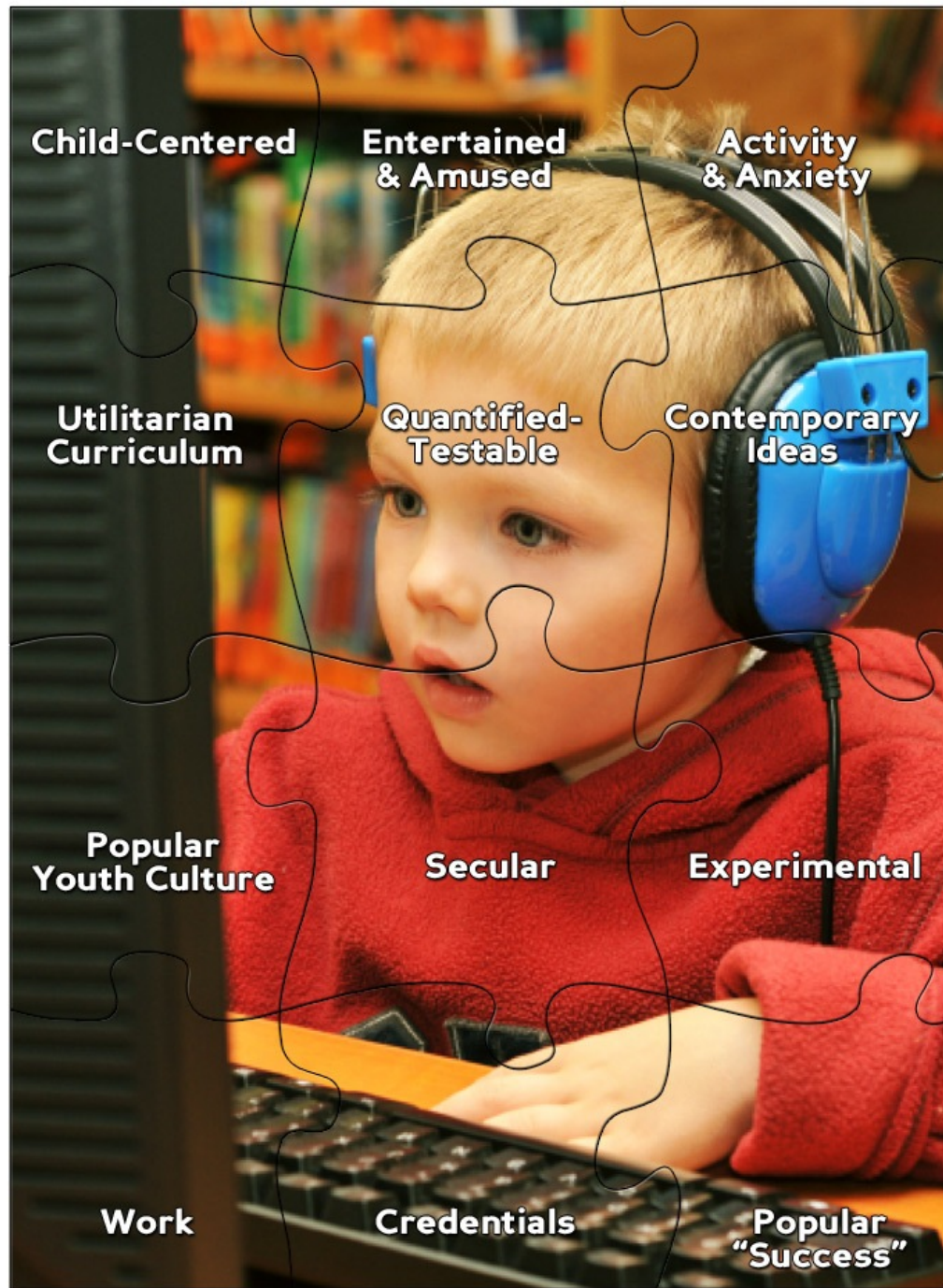
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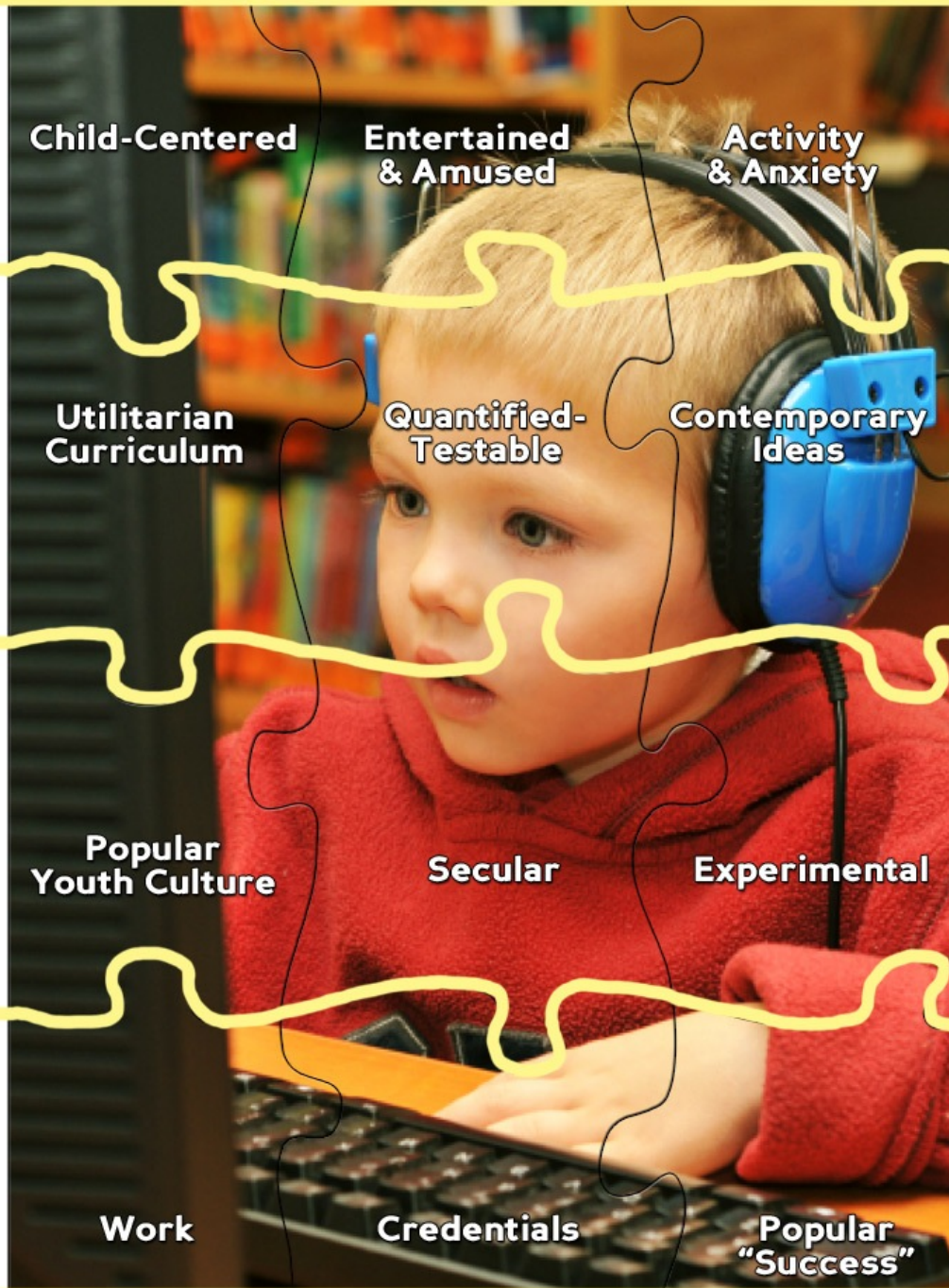
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Going Back to Go Forward

- Sometimes when we have lost our way, the quickest way forward is to return home
- Do not move ancient landmarks
- Keep to the ancient paths
- Every revolution is a restoration
- Sayers: We can go back...
- Because some things never change...
- Good ideas are evergreen

Nine Principles

Videos for all nine of these available here:

www.classicalacademicpress.com/about-dr-christopher-perrin/

Videos

Classical Consortium Video on Classical Education

Scholé: Restful Learning

Classical Q&A with Chris Perrin

Eight Essential Principles of Classical Pedagogy:

1. Overview
2. *Festina Lente* (Make Haste Slowly)
3. *Multum Non Multa* (Much Not Many)
4. *Repetito Mater Memoriae* (Repetition is the Mother of Memory)
5. Embodied Learning: The Rhythms, Practices, Traditions and Routines of Learning
6. Songs, Chants and Jingles
7. Wonder and Curiosity
8. Educational Virtues: Without Educational Virtues We Simply Lack... a Student
9. Scholé, Contemplation, Leisure

Bonus Principles:

1. *Docendo Discimus* (By Teaching We Learn)



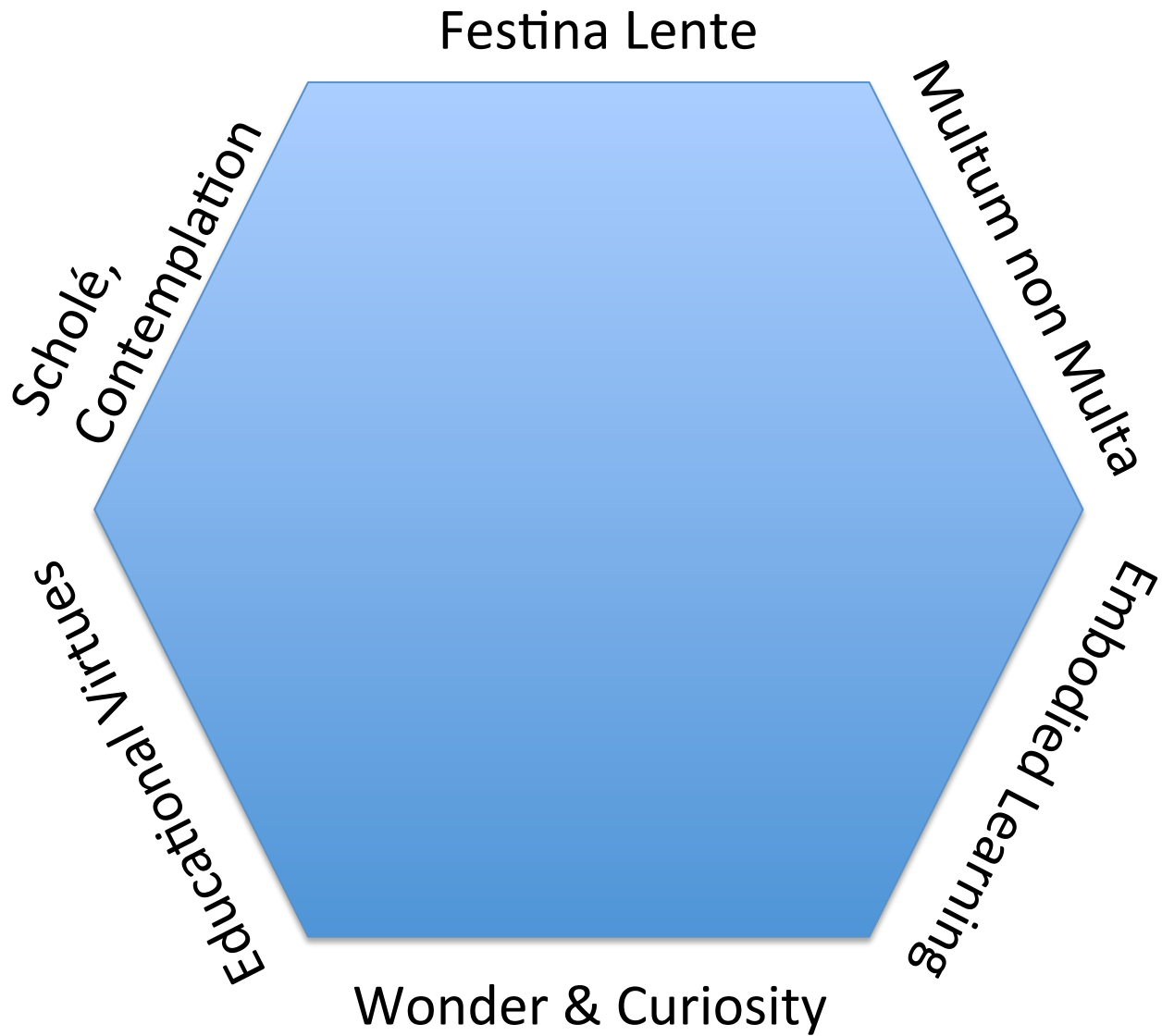
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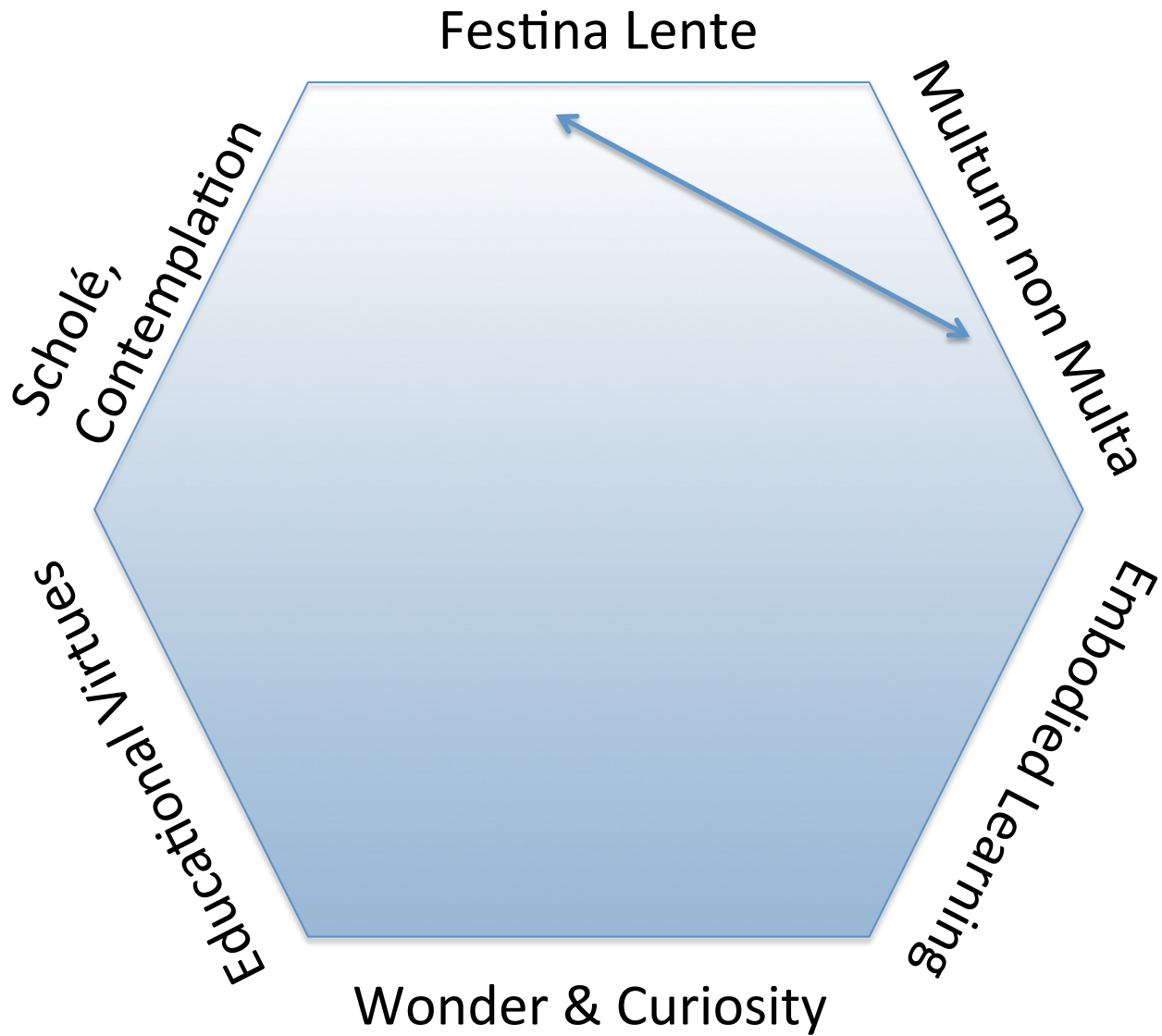
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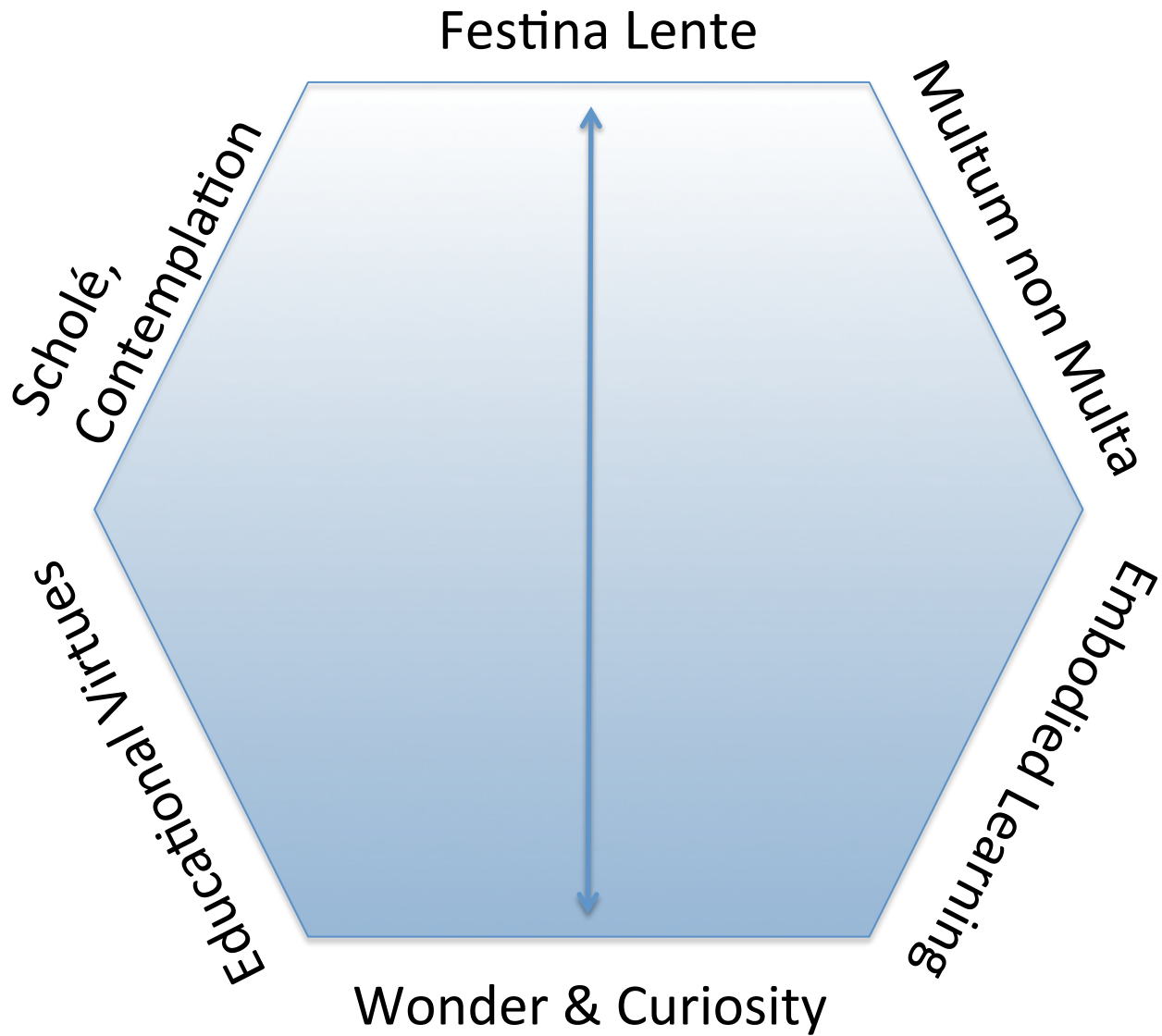
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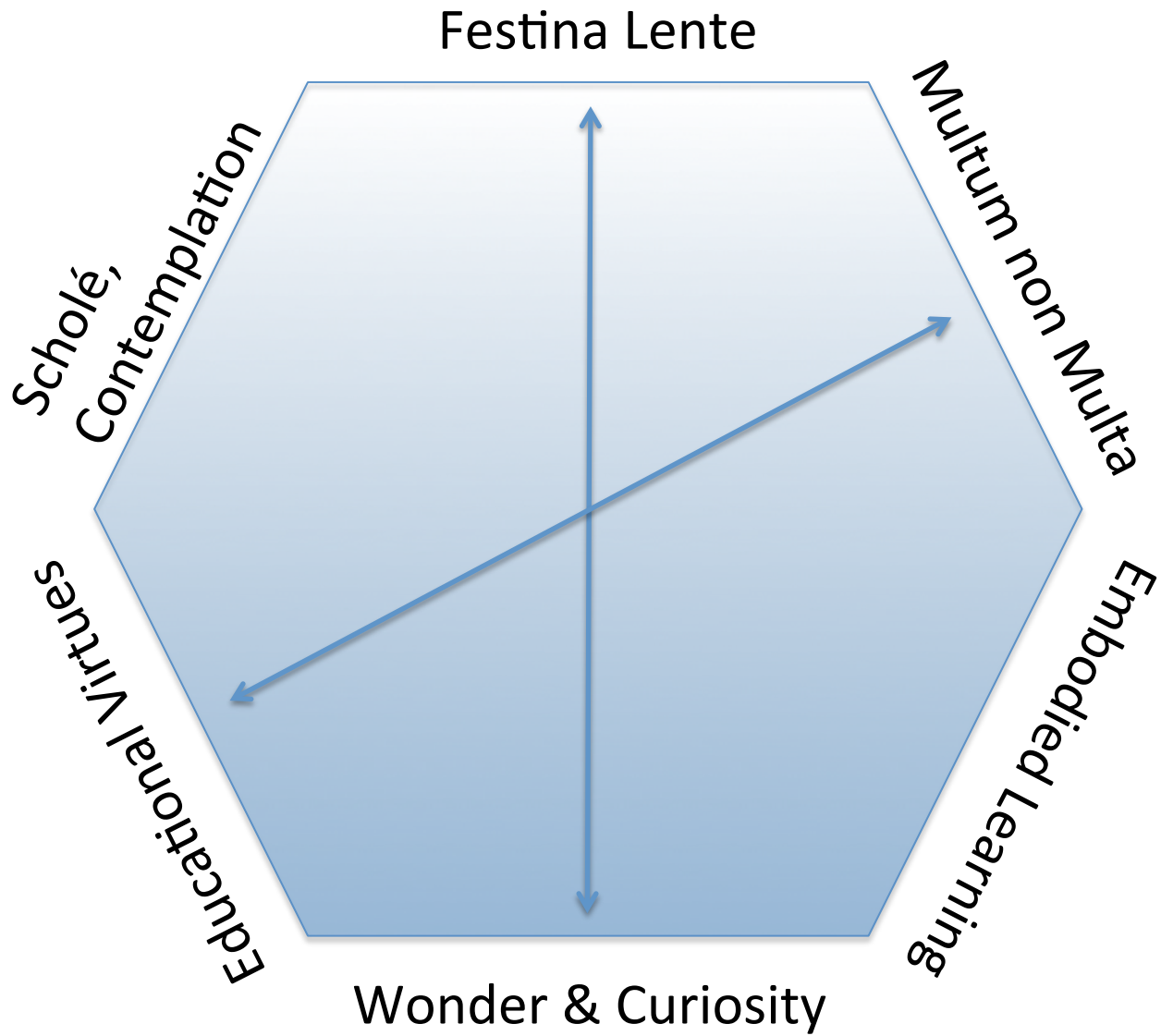


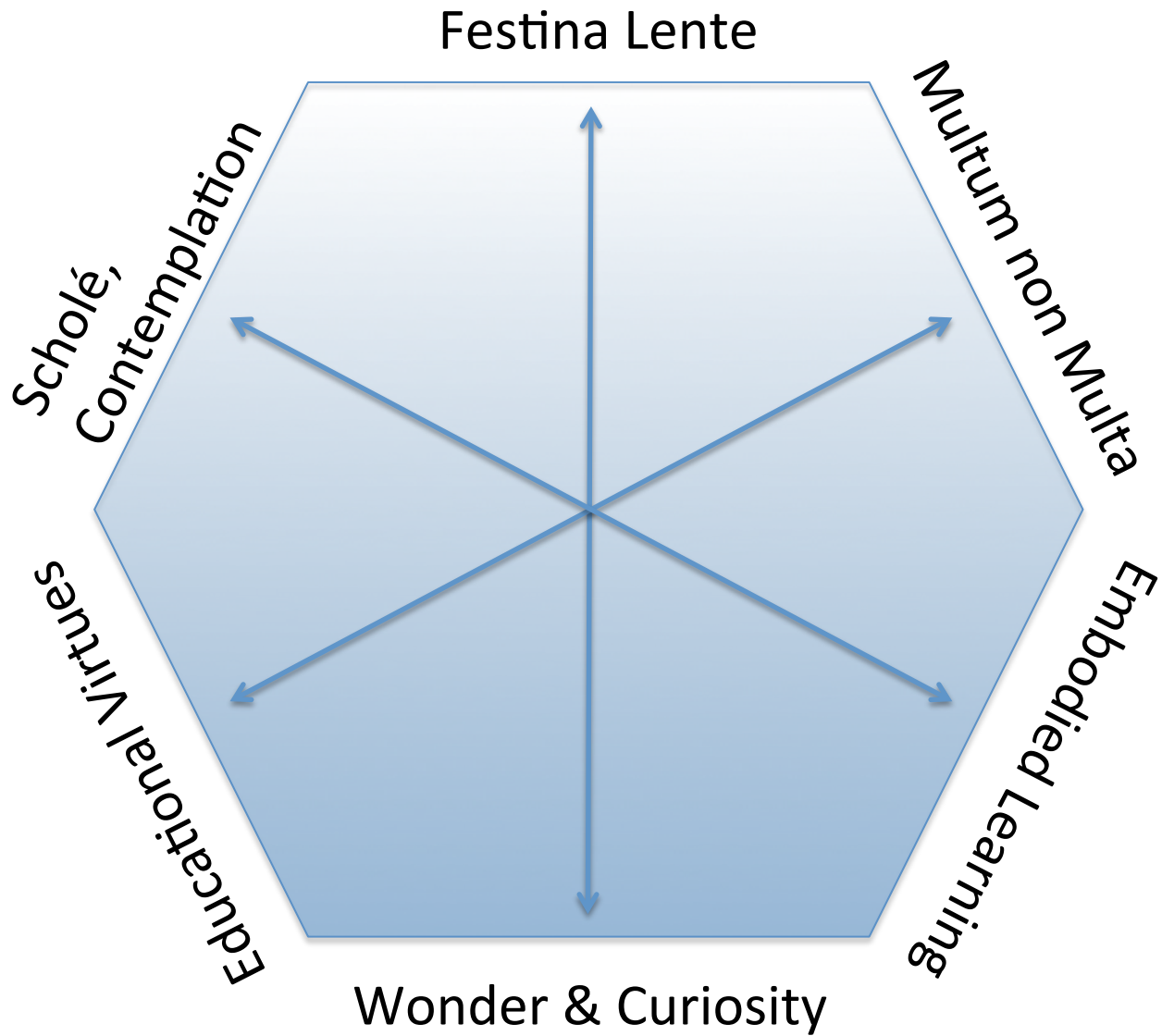
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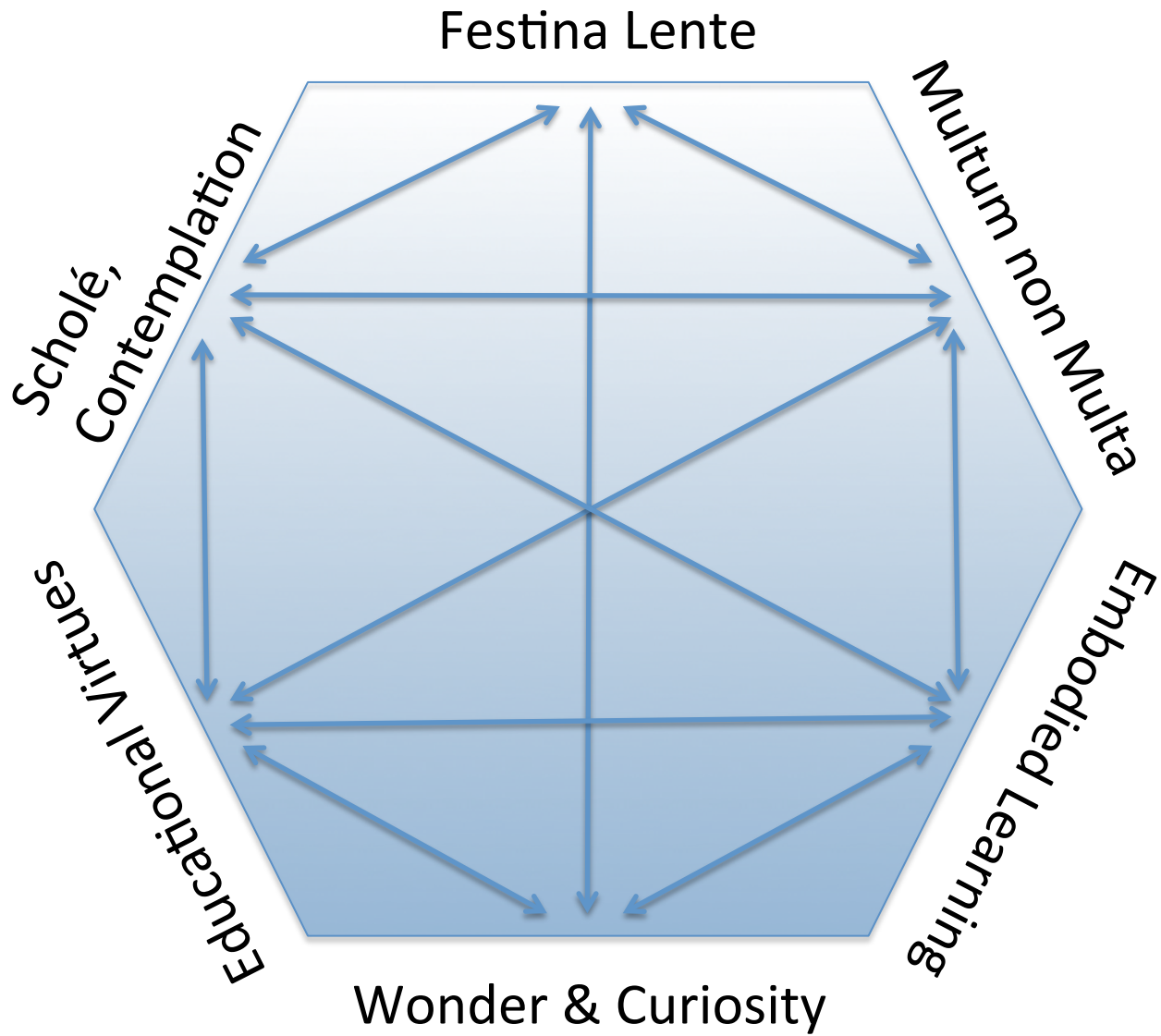


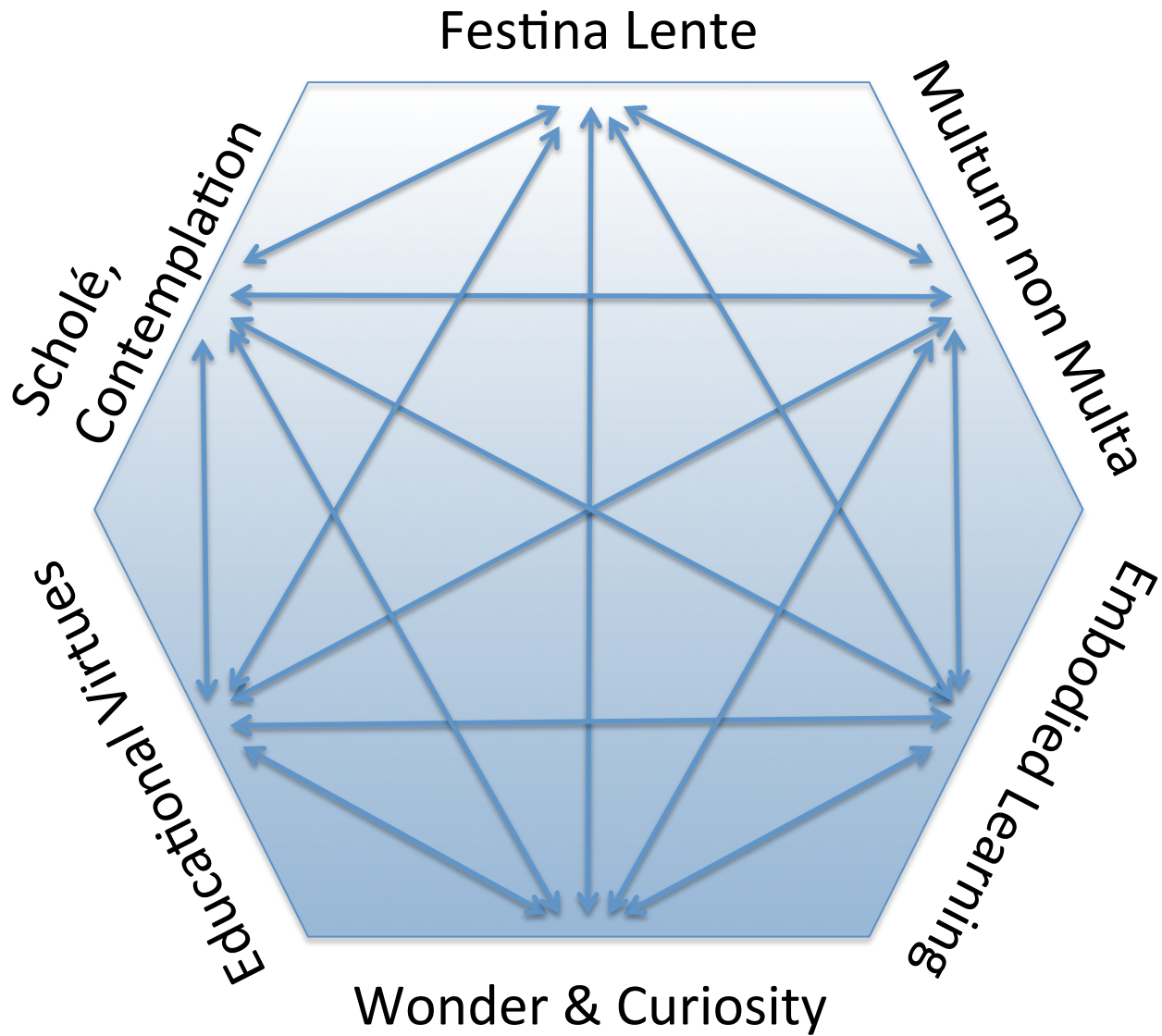


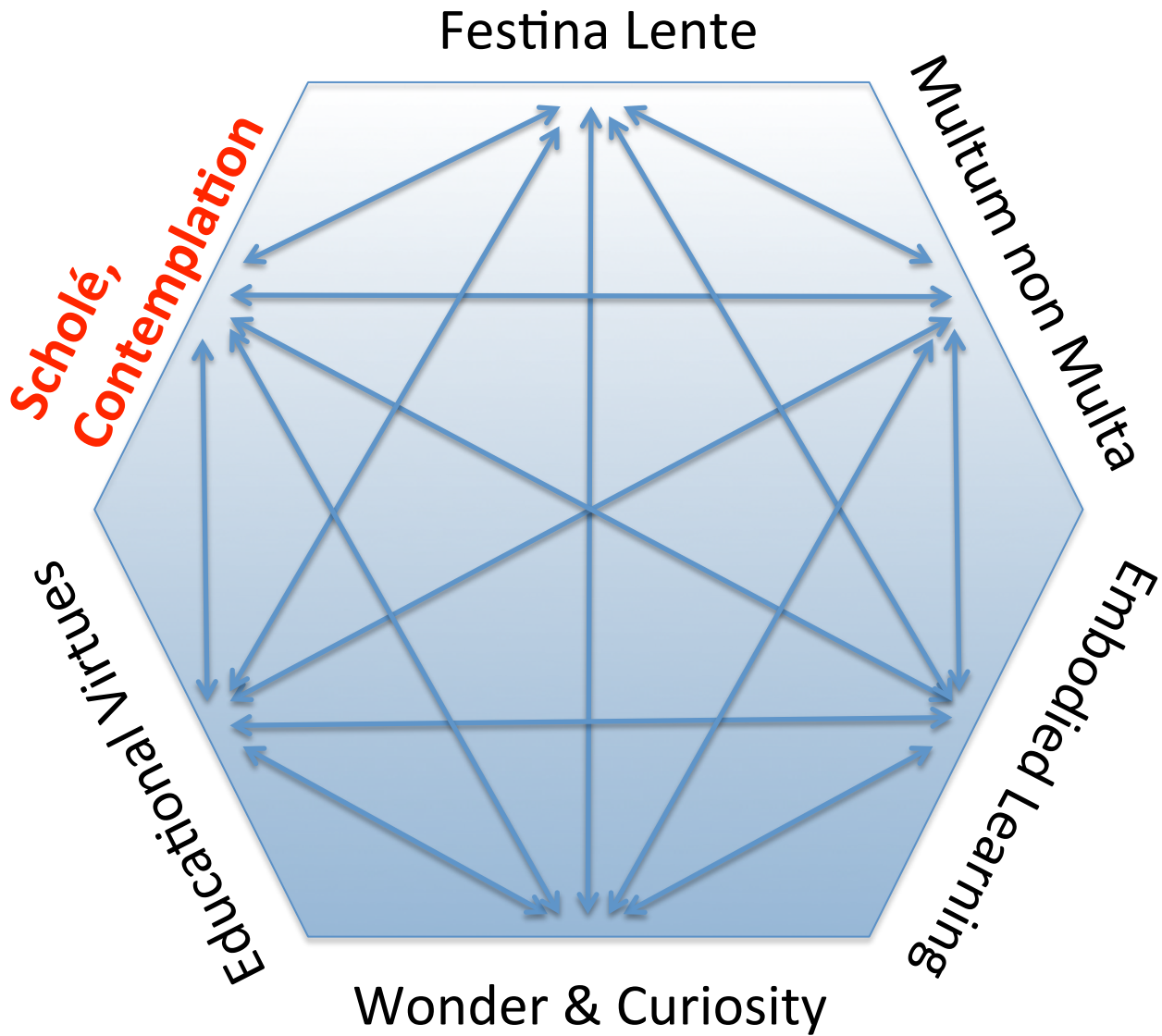












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the New Survival Skills Our Children Need —
and What We Can Do about It



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Modern minds noting traditional wisdom

What is Most Needed Today

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1. Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
2. Collaboration Across Networks and Leading by Influence
3. Agility and Adaptability
4. Initiative and Entrepreneurialism
5. Effective Oral and Written Communication
6. Accessing and Analyzing Information
- 7. Curiosity and Imagination**

Scholé

- The disposition of receptive understanding, contemplative beholding and immersion in the real.
- Only someone who has lost the spiritual power to be at leisure can be bored
- Total world of work vs. Scholé
- Work of a different kind: harder than active work
- To “do” leisure/scholé: (scholen agein)

What is it?

- In the temple
- **RATIO and INTELLECTUS**

Ratio and Intellectus

- RATIO
 - Reason
 - Run
 - Research
 - Classify
 - Categorize
- INTELLECTUS
 - Contemplate
 - Gaze
 - Savor
 - Experience
 - Possess
 - “Intuition”

School of Scholé: School of Wonder

- Scholé
- A-scholé / Ascholia
- Otium and Negotium
- Contemplation, conversation, reflection, leisure, rest
- Bonum Utile—Bonum Commune



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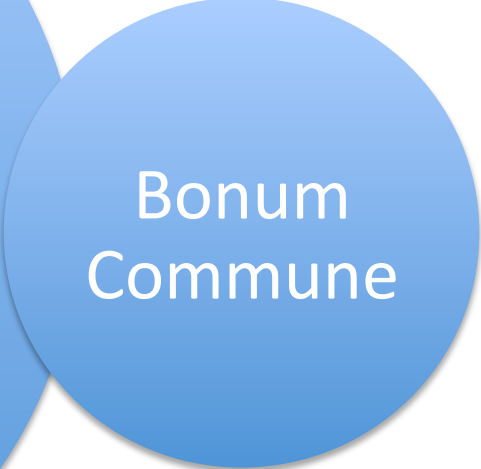


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- **Bonum Utile**

- Work
- Training
- Power
- Means
- Ratio
- Head
- Useful
- World: Raw Mat.

- **Bonum Commune**

- Leisure/Freedom
- Education
- Wonder/Joy/Cel.
- Ends
- Intellectus
- Chest
- Blessed
- Creation to be enj.

- **Bonum Utile**

- Functionary
- Worker
- All self-explanatory
- Shrunken soul
- Necessary
- Monotony

- **Bonum Commune**

- Creator
- Lover
- The whole → soul
- Full, charged soul
- Sufficient
- Adventure

Sister Concepts

- Synonyms: Schole, Otium, Leisure, Reflection, Focus, Study, Rest, Solitude, Festival, Friendship, **Admiration**
- Antonyms: Multi-tasking, Frenzy, Bustle, Activity, Busy-ness, Anxiety, Amusement, Distraction, Idleness, Boredom
- Don't do just do something, stand there!

Purpose

- To obtain the object of your desire/love
- To become what you behold
- Transformation
- Re-Orientation (truth north)
- To fulfill and exercise your humanity: to wonder, celebrate, admire, praise and worship

Why Is It Hard?

- Because our world is more like a carnival than a monastery.
- We are drawn to amusement more than music.
- We lack models.
- We lack (or think we lack) opportunity.
- We were educated/raised in and to distraction

A.G. Sertillanges, O.P.

The Intellectual Life

*Its Spirit, Conditions,
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Leisure

The Basis of Culture

Including *The Philosophical Act*

Josef Pieper

"Pieper's message for us is plain...
The solitude of the monk, the restful of the medieval house, the
solitary cult of youth and the common world... all the ground to our
present loneliness in the dilettante and the class society... Pieper's profound
insights are inspiring and ever-knowledgeable." — *The New York Times Book Review*

Ignatius

Know It By Studying It

- A long tradition
- *The Intellectual Life* (Sertillanges)
- *Leisure The Basis of Culture* (Pieper)
- *The Prodigal Son* (Nouwen)
- Lifting Out of Yourself
- Receptive Vision/Gift
- Joy (divine longing greater than any human satisfaction)

Know It By Doing It

- A part of your humanity that you may not have exercised for a good while
- But you have a history of contemplation
- Spiritual Contemplation/Meditation
- In Small doses
- Place
- Décor
- Time
- **Solitude/Friendship (highest good) conclusio**