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Bi-Annual Newsletter



Introduction

As mentioned in our June 2024 newsletter, we have been discussing the integration of applied research in an elementary school located in Ravni Village, Junagadh District, Gujarat State, India. This fall, we will execute this project, which will be facilitated by Mr. and Mrs. Gathani. Mrs. Gathani. a homemaker and artist. underwent six months of applied research training with us, enabling her to facilitate a oneday workshop at the school. The training duration was extended due to her other commitments and the time difference between EST and IST.

Exploring the depths of the design process!

Upon completing the training, we began designing the project for approximately 150 students, 10 teachers, and a few supporting staff members. Art has always been more than just creativity; it serves as a tool for expression, connection, and transformation.

In a remote village in India, where access to formal education, resources, and cultural exchange may be limited, organizing an art workshop goes beyond merely teaching a skill. It is about creating a bridge between tradition, community needs, and future opportunities. This is where Applied Research plays a crucial role.



We are excited to announce that, during this project, we have created online sessions to educate facilitators worldwide on how to organize workshops focused on arts and crafts using applied research methodologies. If you would like to learn more, please write to us at info@igslearning.com, and we will be happy to share additional information.

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In this newsletter you can expect:

Project Initiated 3-Inspiring Young Minds: An Elementary Art Workshop Designed with Applied Research

Online Training for facilitators

Systems Thinking

Project Insights Request

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Systems Thinking

We encourage you to explore <u>Systems Thinking</u>, as it enhances your understanding of idealized design sessions. By examining how it addresses complex problems and interconnections, you'll better relate these principles to idealized design, leading to more effective and innovative solutions.



Share insights on our projects

We invite you to share your thoughts on the projects we have initiated so far. We would love to know what you liked, what you'd like to learn more about, and how we can improve our communication to make the information clearer for you. Please reach out to us at info@igslearning.org.



A Few Notes To Consider

- What is the most recent book you read?
- When was the last time you learned something new?
- Which book has had the biggest impact on you?
- What topics have you explored recently in your research?

<u>Systems Thinking</u>

<u>Project Updates</u> -



Idealized Design Dession

We will conduct an idealized design session for the <u>Philadelphia Baptist</u> <u>Association for Pastors and Church Leaders</u> in October. We are excited about this opportunity and grateful to <u>Rev. Dr. Valerie Andrews</u> for considering us.

Book Chapter

Dr. Darshi Mody's article, "Our Invisible Enemy," co-authored with Dr. Larry Starr, will be published in a book titled "Strategic and Complex Systems: Leadership Theory and Practice."

Thank you for reading!