Childhood without Oppression

"Tradition" -versus- "Convention"

The History of Human Society

99.4%

For 1.8 million years, we lived as egalitarian hunter-gatherer societies.



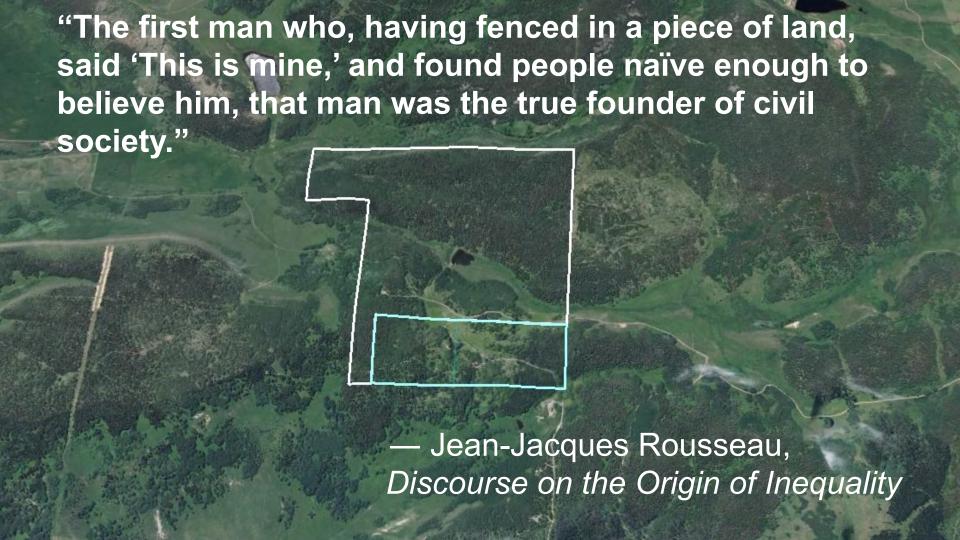


Studies about the ways in which children learn from six different hunter-gatherer cultures (three in Africa, one in Malaysia, one in the Philippines, and one in New Guinea) showed the following similarities:

- Hunter-gatherer children must learn an enormous amount to become successful adults.
- The children learn all this without being taught.
- The children are afforded enormous amounts of time to play and explore.
- Children observe adults' activities and incorporate those activities into their play.

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Discrimination, Fear, Otherness

HAVE NOTS

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Governance Means Control Over Others



"The violence we do to children..."

A Brief Timeline of Anarchistic and Self-Directed Education



humans live as egalitarian hunters and aatherers ~1.8 million years



certification Temple requirements School for teachers. Α. school Bronson attendance Alcott. is Boston, compulsory USA 1810 1834

USA



Yasnava Polyana School. Leo Tolstoy, Russia 1860



New

Rochelle.

NY, USA

1898

General Children's Playhouse. Elizabeth &

Education Board. Carnegie & Summerhill. Rockefeller Germany Alexis Ferm, alone spend (1927)more money moves to on education Suffolk. than U.S. gov. England)

1921



Freedom Schools. Charles Cobb, Unschooling. Mississippi, term coined USA by John Holt 1964 1977



Toronto Anarchist Free Space and Free Skool, Toronto. Canada 1999

1805 Johann Pestalozzi opens Institute at Yverdon. Switzerland



1826 1852 New Horace Mann introduces Harmony colony first U.S. William compulsory Maclure schools & Robert inspired by Owen. Prussian Indiana. system



orphanage,



1880

Prévost

1901 La Escuela Moderna. Paul Robin, Francisco Ferrer v Guardia, Barcelona.



1915 Stelton Modern School. Stelton (Piscataway), New Jersey. USA

1906-1920



1948 The Progressive Club & The Citizenship Schools. Esau Jenkins, John's Island. SC. USA



1978 1969 The Free Escuela School. Libre Mary Leue. Paideia, Albany, NY, Mérida, USA Spain

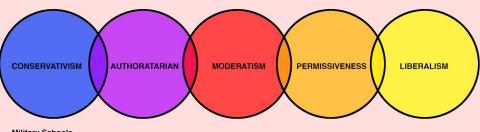


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"EDUCATION IS A POLITICAL ACT" (a broad generalization of political and educational models)

Fear Based Models



Military Schools

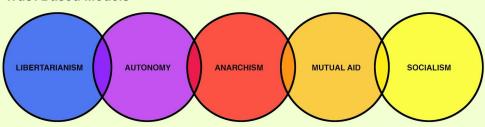
Prepatory Schools Charter Schools Public Schools

Montessori Schools Waldorf Schools

Progressive Schools

Democratic Schools

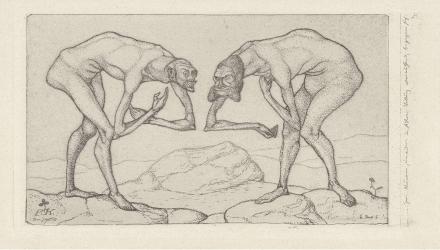
Trust Based Models



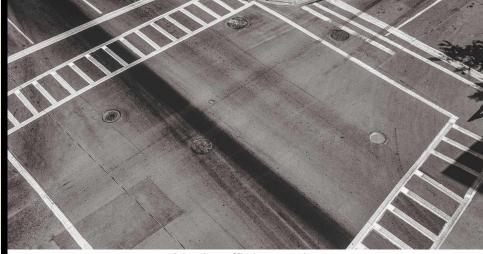
Sudbury Schools "Self-Governed" Unschoolers **Liberated Learners**

> **Agile Learning Centers** Free Skools Modern Schools "Decolonizing" Unschoolers Summerhill

Free Schools "Communal" Unschoolers



"Two Men Meet, Each Believing the Other to Be of Higher Rank," Paul Klee



A basic traffic intersection



A British roundabout



A Hanoi traffic intersection



play:groundNYC junk playground



Media awareness: make zines & newspapers



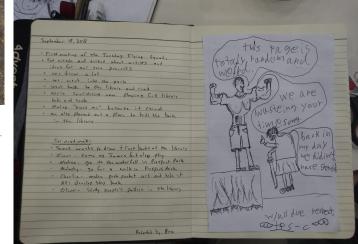
Ramble the City

"A city that is really concerned with the needs of its young will make the whole environment accessible to them, because, whether invited to or not, they are going to use the whole environment."

-Colin Ward, The Child in the City



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