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## WHAT IF WE OBLITERATED STANDARDISED TESTING?



Behshid Behrouzi

Can we see beyond a student's test grades. Why do we have to conform to cookie-cutter uniformity? Behshid wonders what the educational world would be like if one size does not fit all.

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## **PARADOX AND PAIN IN EDUCATION**

James Maughan



James spent 25 years in many countries with global multinationals like GE and UBS and is now an advisor to governments on educational issues. He is a graduate of Cambridge University and INSEAD business school and is a staunch advocate of lifelong learning to ensure people have dynamic careers and employers have the skilled workforce they need.

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## **FROM THE 3 RS TO THE 6 CS: EDUCATION IN THE INFORMATION AGE.**

Andrew Nolan



Andrew has been a teacher for over 10 years, with 7 years' experience in the UAE. He has a drive and passion for integrating ICT into learning, and has been recognised twice by Microsoft as one of the UAE's most innovative teachers - representing his host nation twice at continental level. He currently holds the position of leader for GEMS 'Innovation using ICT' Network, and is committed to enhancing digital innovation and engagement across the company.

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## **A NEW CONCEPT IN TERTIARY EDUCATION**



Daniel Adkins

Dan spent twenty years in the information technology industry as a process expert for numerous Fortune 500 companies. He has been working as a teacher and leader in education for the past 6 years and is currently Associate Dean of Murdoch University's Dubai Campus.

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**PULLING THE  
FUTURE INTO  
THE PRESENT**



Jason McBride

Jason is an international school leader who believes in the ability of educators to facilitate the future of education now. Having been a part of schools in Canada, Mexico, England and the UAE, his doctoral work focuses on the international teacher induction process as he aims to minimize transition time in order to maximize student learning.

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## WHY READING MATTERS



Isobel Abulhoul

Isobel has lived in Dubai since 1968. A lifetime of passion and involvement with books led to her founding the Emirates Airline Festival of Literature in 2008. Isobel was awarded the Cultural Personality of the Year by Dr. HH Sheikh Sultan Bin Mohammed Al Qasimi, the Ruler of Sharjah in 2010 and an OBE by HM Queen Elizabeth of Great Britain in 2012, receiving official recognition of her tireless campaign to improve literacy and a love of books, particularly for children.

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**SAY WHAT?  
HOW OUR  
MASTERY OF  
COMMUNICATION  
WILL MAKE OR  
BREAK THE  
HUMAN RACE**

Phil Redhead



Phil's passion lies in empowering young and old alike to utilize learning technologies, together with their human interaction skills, to make the world a better place. He is a regular speaker at education events worldwide, most recently presenting at the USAID Learning Symposium in Washington DC. He instigated the first large scale deployment of iPads in a Dubai school and oversaw the first local research projects aimed at assessing their impact on learning. Phil also co-developed and implemented the region's first school smartphone application.

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## **BRINGING A COSMIC PERSPECTIVE INTO THE CLASSROOM**



Rohan Roberts

Rohan graduated with a Master's degree in Literature from the University of Leeds. He is currently Head of Professional Development and part of the Senior Leadership team at the Winchester School, Dubai. He is a CIE certified programme leader for the Cambridge International Certificate for Teachers and Trainers and heads the school's ICT and Innovation group for teachers. He also teaches A Level Literature. He has organised a TEDGlobal Live event in the past and is currently the organiser of the TEDx Youth@Winchester and TEDx WinchesterTeachers events. He believes passionately in making education fun and leads the school's Astronomy Club, Science Club, and Film Club.

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## **TEACHING TOMORROW'S CHILDREN**



Tony Potts

Tony is currently PreK-12 ICT Coordinator and PYP ICT teacher at GEMS World Academy, Dubai. He graduated from the College of St Mark & St John and started his teaching career in England before making the move to international teaching at International School Manila before moving to GWA. This is his 14th year in primary education. He is really looking forward to sharing his enthusiasm for technology and, in particular, using Web2.0 tools of the future to help improve and celebrate student learning within an inquiry based program.

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## **FACING THE FUTURE: ARE YOU PREPARED?**



Glenda Clark

Glenda Clark has been teaching for 23 years, moving from RE teacher to Head of Department, Curriculum Leader for RE and PSHE, Lead Teacher for Southend, SACRE member, learning coach, curriculum innovator with the Culham Institute workshops, exam marker, Head of Humanities to Head of Teaching and Learning and Facilitator for GEMS.

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## **BUILDING ONLINE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING NETWORKS**



Rehab Ragab

Rehab has been involved in professional development activities for teachers in the UAE through her work with TESOL Arabia Organisation for the past seven years. Currently she is the Vice-President/President-Elect of the Organization. She worked as an ESL teacher for twelve years before becoming a Technology Integration Senior Coordinator at The Institute of Applied Technology. She is passionate about sharing innovative teaching ideas and developing online learning communities. She is also an advocate of technology in the classroom and considers herself a lifelong learner. Rehab graduated with an MA in Educational Technology from Michigan State University in 2010.

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## **ARE WE BORN TO SERVE?**



Carol Pinto

Carol is a seasoned business professional who has headed marketing and operational activities for several years now. Her passion for continual learning and development has caused her to switch gears from corporate to academia. Presently, she is nurturing young talent at Murdoch University, Dubai.

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## LET STUDENTS KEEP THEIR WINGS



Lara Matossian-Roberts

Lara Matossian-Roberts is passionate about the performing arts. She writes, acts, and directs for the stage and sings and dances on it too. Lara is a professional mime artist, is on the Dubai Drama Group committee and is the coordinator for the Emirates Airline Festival of Literature Fringe's adult performances. She is the co-organiser of TEDxWinchesterTeachers.

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