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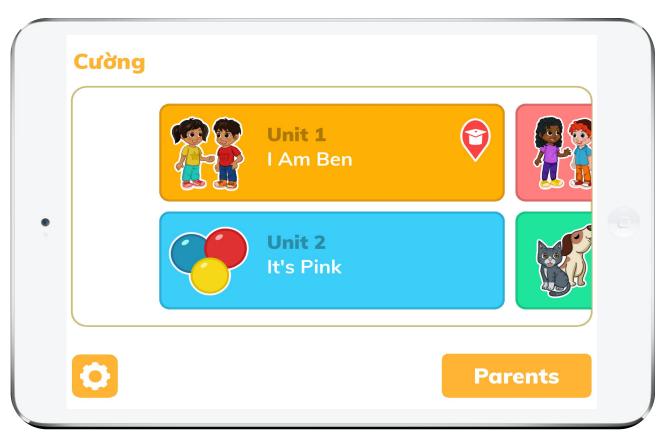


# ...let me start with a story?

























#### They made their own rules!

They used their imagination

The was no extrinsic motivation

They cheered together



# Games Vs Play

Have controlled rules

Have points

**Extrinsic rewards** 

Winners & Losers

**Teacher centered** 

Less rules

Maybe no points

Intrinsic rewards

No real winner or loser

Student centered



### **Natural Learning**

Exposure Notice Understand Practice Use

## 5 aspects to playing and learning



#### EINSTEIN NEVER USED FLASH CARDS



HOW OUR CHILDREN REALLY LEARN— AND WHY THEY NEED TO PLAY MORE AND MEMORIZE LESS

KATHY HIRSH-PASEK, PH.D., AND ROBERTA MICHNICK GOLINKOFF, PH.D., WITH DIANE EYER, PH.D. "Children possess a natural curiosity to explore and play acts as a medium to do so."

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**Motivation** 

**Lowers Anxiety** 

Intensifies Practice

Develops Skills



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### This isn't a new idea...

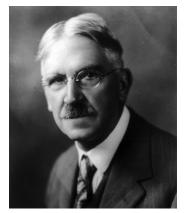


### Who can you name?









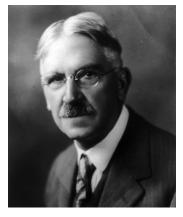


### Who have you heard of?









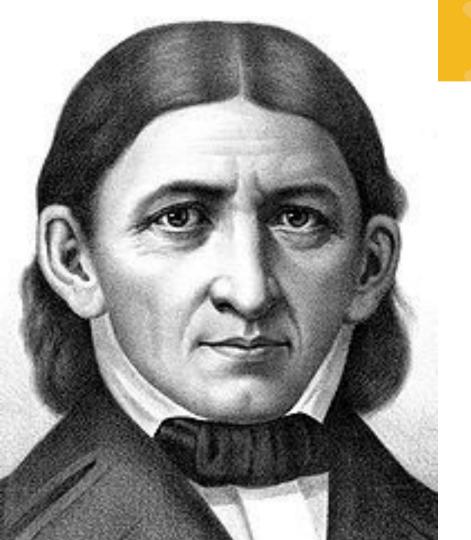


Friedrich Fröbel Maria Montessori Lev Vygotsky

John Dewey

**Chen Heqin** 





### Friedrich Fröbel

#### "Children's Garden"

- early 1800's
- games, songs, construction, gifts & occupations
- hands-on materials
- learning through experience
- emphasized child-centered learning





#### **Maria Montessori**

#### Children's House

- early 1900's
- education for psychological development
- focus on the education of the senses & intellect
- emphasis on self-reflection
- designed hands-on materials
- emphasized experiential learning
- encouraged intrinsic motivation
- emphasized child-centered learning



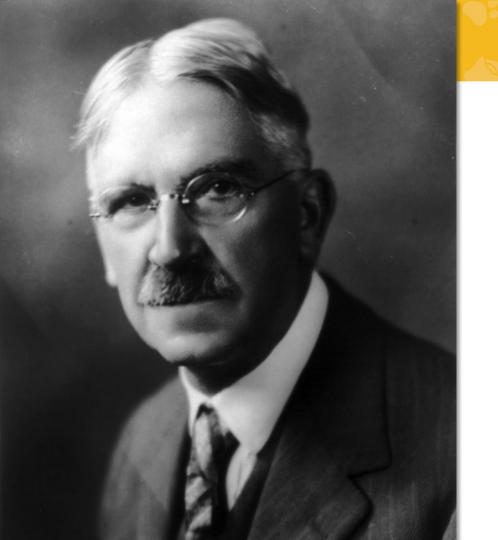


### Lev Vygotsky

#### Scaffolding

- early 1900's
- what children can do alone
- what children can do with non-intrusive aid
- Zone of Proximal Development





### **John Dewey**

#### **Progressive Education**

- early 1900's
- emphasis on social education
- constructive play
- make-believe play
- hands-on materials
- emphasized experiential learning





### **Chen Heqin**

#### **Alive Education**

- middle 1900s
- was a student of John Dewey
- emphasis on child psychology & family
- used authentic materials
- used natural environment & social environment
- emphasized experiential learning







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#### Integrating the 4Cs

**Communication** 

**Critical Thinking** 

**Collaboration** 

Creativity



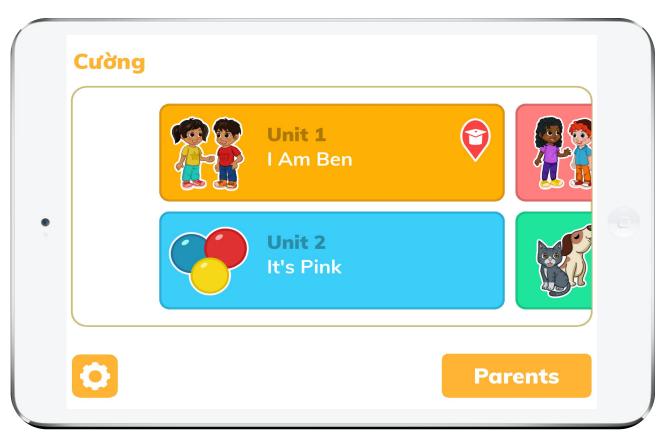
# Let's play!



- 1. What were the rules?
- 2. What was the language point?
- 3. Does it develop 4Cs?
- 4. How can we turn this from a game to play?























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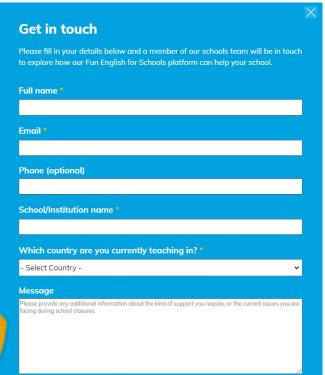
### A few points to remember

Research with your own students
Try to remove some rules
Focus on intrinsic motivation
Create a positive environment
Let the kids play!



#### Try it out!









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For Teachers

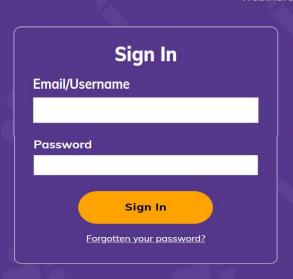
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