

"The current school system is devastatingly bad for all our youngsters"-Albert Shanker, Pres., American Federation of Teachers--NY Times 1992

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"To a very large degree, school is a place where children learn to be stupid."

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"I was made for the library, not the classroom. The classroom was a jail of other people's interests. The library was open, unending, free."

-Ta-Nehisi Coates¹

BETWEEN PARENT AND CHILD
HARVARD GINOTT

WE NEED AN EDUCATED CITIZENRY but we don't need a schooled one. The patterns of conformity, obedience, and authoritarianism that are cultivated by mass schooling limit our ability to effectively address our society's present and future challenges. More significantly, these schooled patterns prevent the full realization of human potential. A relic of the Industrial Age, conventional mass schooling crushes creativity, hampers exuberance, stifles natural curiosity, and halts invention. These human inclinations—creativity, exuberance, curiosity, inventiveness—are essential qualities for the new Imagination Age. The good news is that we don't need to teach these qualities; we simply need to stop destroying them. They already exist in every child. Our job is to nurture these qualities and support our children in being the most creative, exuberant, curious, inventive beings they can be. They already have these gifts. Let's not take them away.

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