

Exploratory Learning

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Sometimes more is learnt by exploring than by asking questions:

- Being able to ask questions is a strength
- Knowing when it is best to ask, and when it is best to explore is also a strength.
- In exploring,:
  - You learn more than just the question in front of you
  - You learn how to learn
  - You gain confidence
  - Answer someone's question, you give them a fish. Help someone explore, you teach them to fish.

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- Tips for exploring:
  - Budget time for it, and do a bit over several sittings
  - Start where you are and move backwards, sometimes over and over again
  - Look at problem from different angles
  - Sleep, mull over ideas
  - Reflect – after a session reflect on what was learned, challenges, improvements to your exploration style
  - Be patient, know that your time is well spent
  - What else?