



Reactions out of Role

Intermediate (Classes 7-10)

Foundation House / Elementary (Classes 5-7)



The Life of Johann Heinrich Pestalozzi (Pestalozzi Approach)

Participants do a role play or an extension role play as described in the 'Role Play' and 'Extension Role Play' Teaching Ideas.

Having completed role plays of episodes, the facilitator asks the participants (who should now be now out of role but in the same groups as they were in for their role plays) to discuss the points listed below.

Instructions to participants:

- Discuss what you think of the various characters involved and their behaviour
- Discuss whether you would have done anything differently

For example when Anna's parents found out about Pestalozzi and Anna's relationship and Pestalozzi was turned out of their house and told never to come back, student A might think that Anna's mother was being unreasonable and might have suggested that Pestalozzi get a job before the marriage but not forbid the marriage altogether.

Student B might think that Anna should have obeyed her parents and that she should never have written secret letters to Pestalozzi. Student C might state that if he or she had been Anna he or she would have tried to make the parents understand what a good person Pestalozzi was.

Each group writes down any reactions members of the group have.

Each group reports back to the rest of the participants, describing the episode it role-played and stating the different reactions the members of the group have had to the behaviour of the characters, and stating anything the members would have done differently.

Materials Needed

Any props and costumes available

