

Study Questions for On Practice:

Our purpose in reading and discussing On Practice is to further develop our understanding of our assessments and our practice both within EB as well as in other areas of our lives. We will do this by applying ~~the~~ these theoretical concepts to our lives.

1. Why is it that a person's social practice alone is the criterion of ~~knowledge~~ truth of their knowledge of the external world, in short, why is practice placed primary in relation to theory? Give an example from your own experience that verifies this.

2. There is a qualitative difference between perceptual and rational knowledge. Give an example from your own experience that reflects this difference.

3. All knowledge comes from direct and indirect experience. How do we apply this principle at EB and what effect does it have on staff and volunteers ability to provide leadership to others?

4. In the dialectical, materialist relation between theory and practice - explain what cycle of knowledge means. Give ~~some~~ an example from your own practice of a cycle of knowledge you've completed or the cycle of knowledge you are going through now.

Blacks vs White Southerners (race)
Arab women vs. Islam (sex & religion)
women (me) vs. men (sex)
gangs vs. straights (sex)
workers vs. capital (superisors)
womenworkers vs. capital