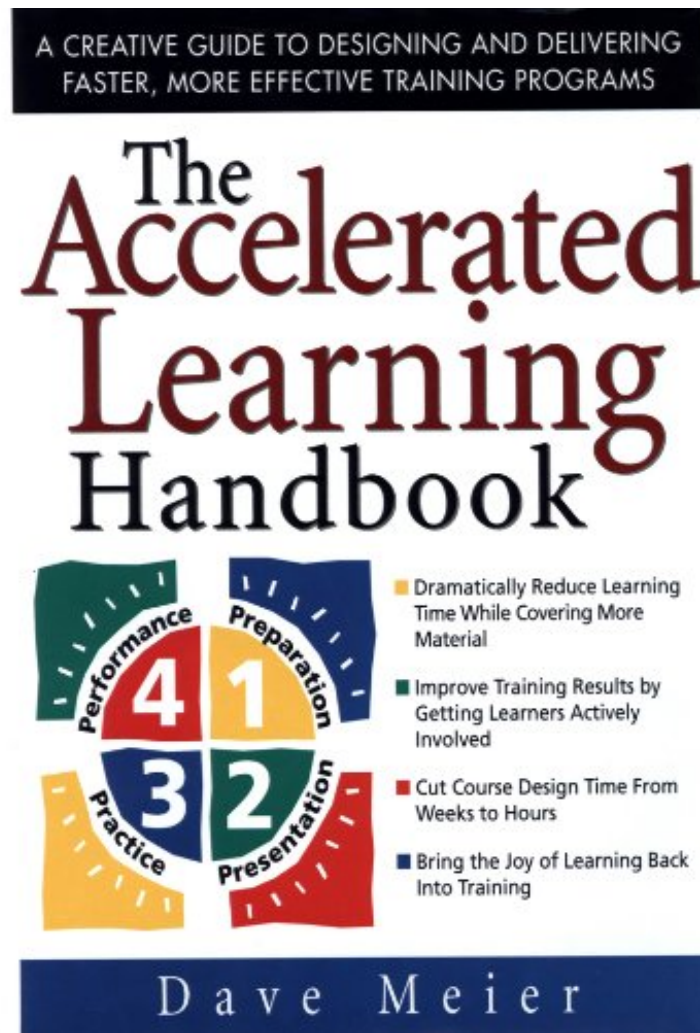


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11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Antiquated ideas By Angela Risner The Sassy Orange A company for whom I was doing some consulting had recently come across this book and was looking at it to reduce the time to develop and implement learning solutions. I read this so that I could understand what they liked about the approach and how it could be used. Quite honestly, I thought the book was incredibly elementary. Yes, I suppose it could appeal

to folks who are just starting out in instructional design. But it does reinforce some out-of-date concepts, such as learning styles (whether or not people are visual, auditory or kinesthetic learners.) Learning styles only mean that the learner themselves prefer to learn a certain way - not that they CANNOT learn in any other way. The learning styles theory is not one that should be promoted. Kirkpatrick's Four Levels of Evaluation are also promoted in this book, which is another old way of doing things. I would never do smile sheets (Level One) again and you can't measure knowledge transfer without defining success first and ensuring that the learning is not left to chance once the learner leaves the classroom. It takes a good six - nine months before true evaluation can take place. I also fight against Level Two evaluations - life is not a multiple-choice test. I will agree that the best learning/knowledge transfer occurs when all senses are engaged. I agree that people learn best when they are actively engaged - whole body if possible. The pervasive standard of butts in chairs that extends from grade school through corporate training programs has been debunked over and over and yet no one is willing to make a change. Outdated and irrelevant. copy; Angela Risner 2014. Unauthorized use and/or duplication of this material without express and written permission from or Angela Risner is strictly prohibited. Excerpts and links may be used, provided that full and clear credit is given to Angela Risner with appropriate and specific direction to the original content.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Accelerate Your Purchase By Edwin C. Pauzer This is a seminal work in the field of training. Author Dave Meier says there is a better way for adults and children to learn than the way we have been training and educating people for the past two centuries. Meier's argument is simple and compelling by asking us to recall learning experiences that were rewarding and fun, such as learning to ride a bicycle, swim, ski, or cook a meal. We may have fallen, swallowed too much water, or ruined a meal but we learned by trial and error and found reward in the process. Newton, Descartes and other philosophers hypothesized that the mind learned best without physical activity that the latter interfered with cognitive development. The Puritans took this as a model when they developed the first school system in the U.S., the "spare-the-rod-spoil-the-child" form of learning that was a regimen of discipline and punishment. Making children learn by reading and re-reading was also encouraged. This left the creative, image-seeking right brain dormant, but an Austrian psychiatrist published in 1975 a thesis that his patients recalled more through images and music which strengthened right brain activity. Meier calls his way of training accelerated learning and proposes that we unlearn every way we've learned and every way we taught or trained people. Corporate classrooms today reflect the Calvinistic approach to training with individual desks, gray, windowless walls and drab fluorescent lighting. (Even as few as twenty years ago, many trainers subscribed to the fashion that windows in a classroom were a distraction, a fashion I could, fortunately never understand). Meier is also concerned about the growth of web-based and computer-based training as perpetuating the centuries-old way of training. Accelerated training wants to bring back the joy of learning by immediately showing participants how new instructional information relates to what they already know and what is in it for them known, or W.I.I.F.M. Meier shows a myriad of activities that keep participants engaged from start to finish. He also reveals how training departments in a number of companies have managed to execute creative ways of imparting boring information. These techniques are also filled with images and mind-mapping to enhance long-term learning and memory. I can see where other authors and well-known trainers have pounded the drumbeat of accelerated learning in their books. In the past few years, I have continually attempted to adopt and use activities I thought would flop. To my surprise it made my training even more engaging. This is an excellent, well-organized, and easy-to-read book that should be on the shelf of every neophyte, journeyman or expert in training. Accelerate your purchase. 67 of 71 people found the following review helpful. Inspirational! This book lives up to its title! By Bobby (in Maryland) I am a subject matter expert who was occasionally requested to make training presentations. I began to realize that training was my calling. I was then hired to plan training programs. By chance, I ran across this book. After reading the book, I was so inspired I wanted to read it again to ensure that I didn't miss anything important. Here is what happened next. I needed to plan training for professionals in a country I had never visited -- truly a risky venture! Relying on the principles in this book, I designed a program that really involved the participants (the students). For example, in the afternoon of the first day of the workshop, students were meeting with each other in breakout sessions, identifying "promising practices" and "best practices" and making presentations to the whole group. The workshop lasted three days. My supervisors really liked the design of the program. The instructors/facilitators loved participating in the program. And, most importantly, the students/participants loved it so much that I am told to expect twice as many students/participants at the next session. As one instructor/facilitator put it, if the goal of the program was to both create joy and share knowledge, the goal was achieved. Without the information in this book (about how the brain works, about the importance of joy to successful training, about the importance of giving the students/participants the opportunity to create knowledge, etc., etc.), my program would not have been the success that it was. To the author -- Dave Meier (whom I have never met) -- I have these words: "Your book inspired me. It inspired me to design a great training program ... a training program even better than I could have imagined. Because of the importance of the training program, I will look back at the program as one of the great achievements in my life. And I owe it to you. Thank you."

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