

Words Poorly Used #50 — Standardization

“Organized” education has a fixation on standardization, seeking to remove both the messiness and joy from the one thing that all humans can do — thinking. Keep the joy. Keep the messiness. Let the standardization geeks punch themselves out. Even if one is in the most rigid state school, one can rise above the pedants. They are on a hamster wheel and cannot go where you want to go. Change is the standard of the universe, not fixation. And the good news is that try though the self-appointed experts may, artificial standardization falls apart after a few iterations in those rare instances where it even gets off the ground.

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