



Agency of the Child

Ethics Education for Children

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Khalil Gibran on Children:

Your children are not your children.

They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself.

They come through you but not from you,

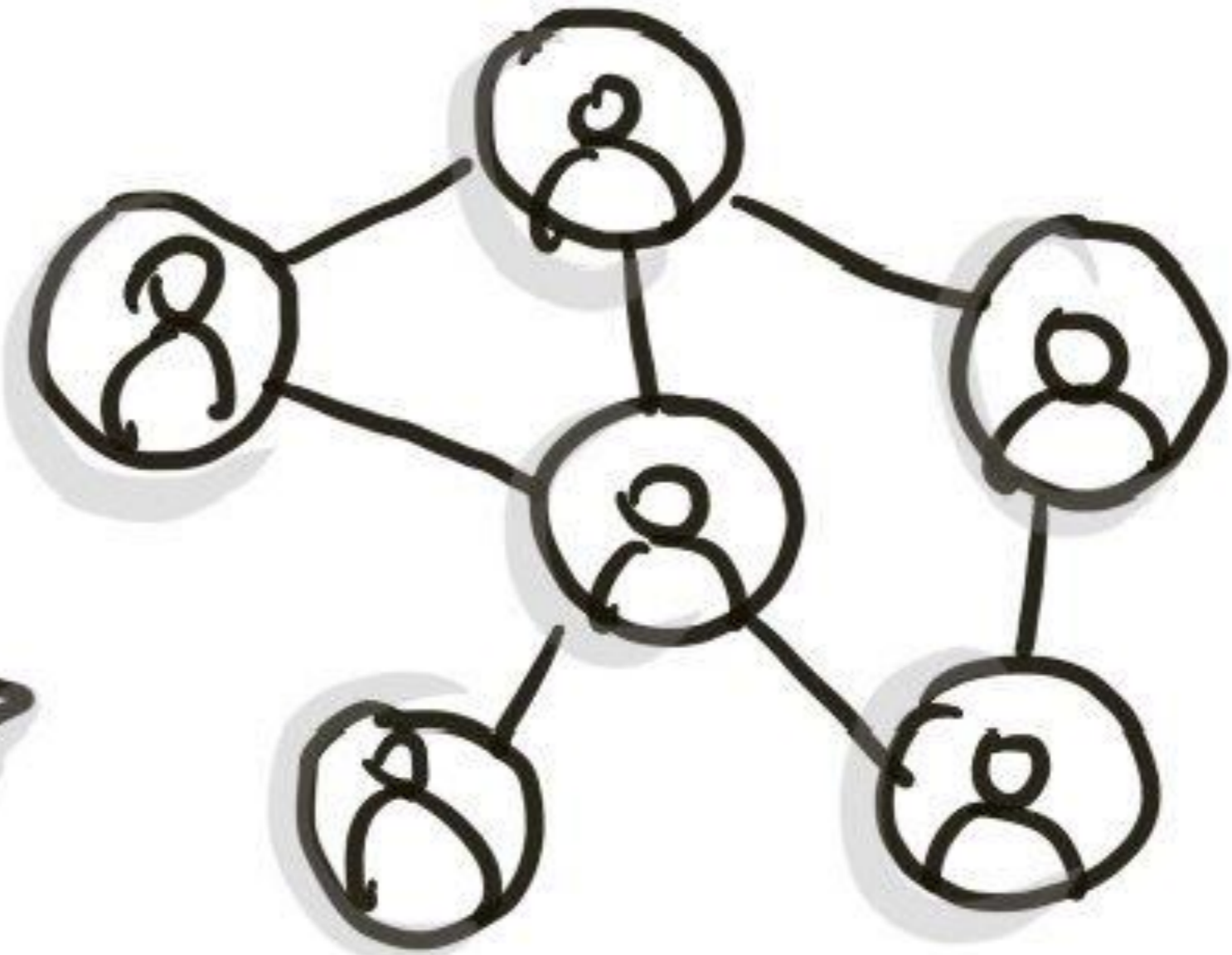
And though they are with you yet they belong not to you.

You may give them your love but not your thoughts,

For they have their own thoughts.

You may house their bodies but not their souls,

For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow,



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THE RIGHT
TO PARTICIPATE!

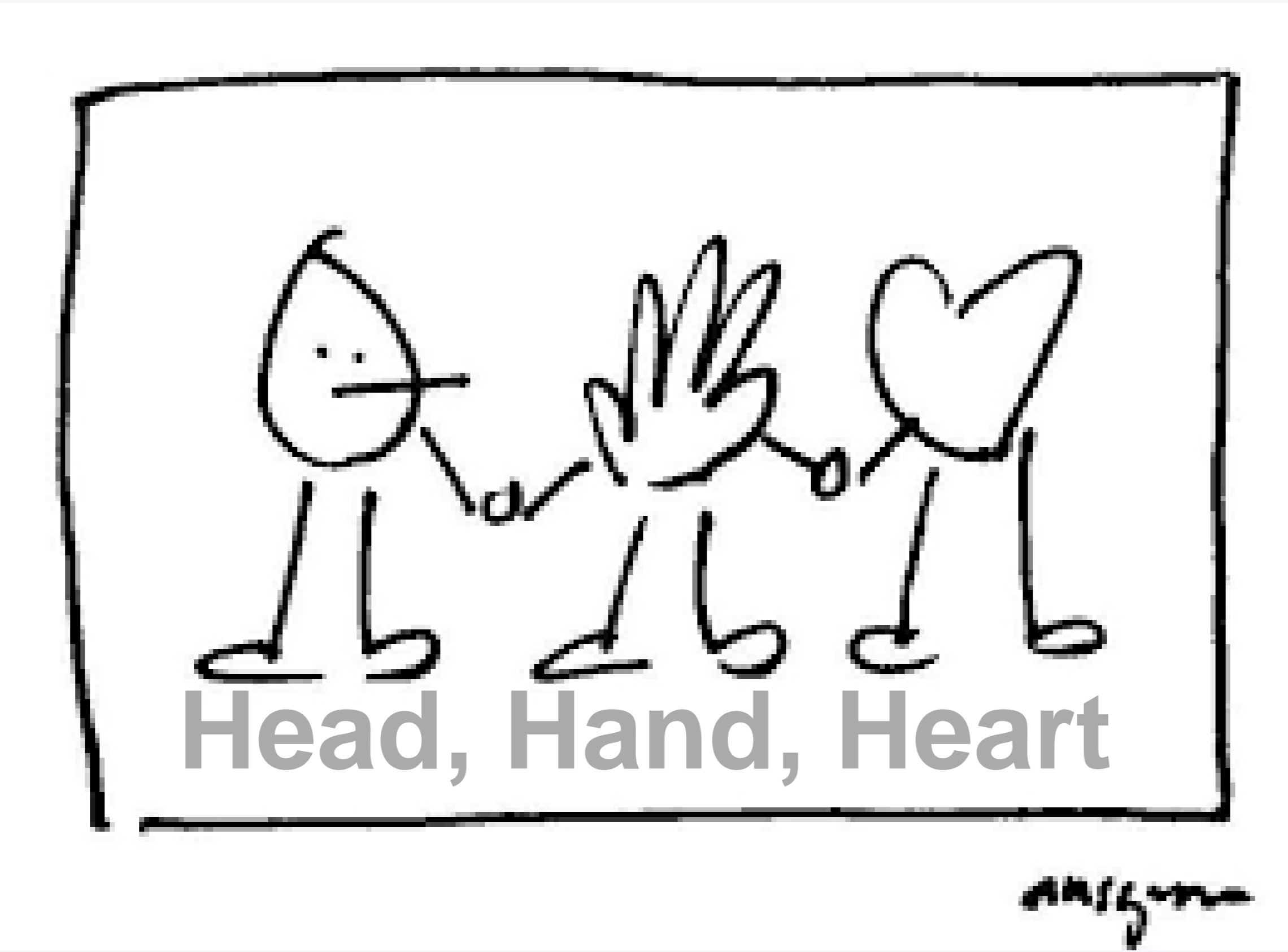
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UNCRC Article 12:

“ State parties shall assure to the child who is capable of forming his or her own views the right to express those views freely in all matters affecting the child, the views of the child being given due weight in accordance with the age and maturity of the child.

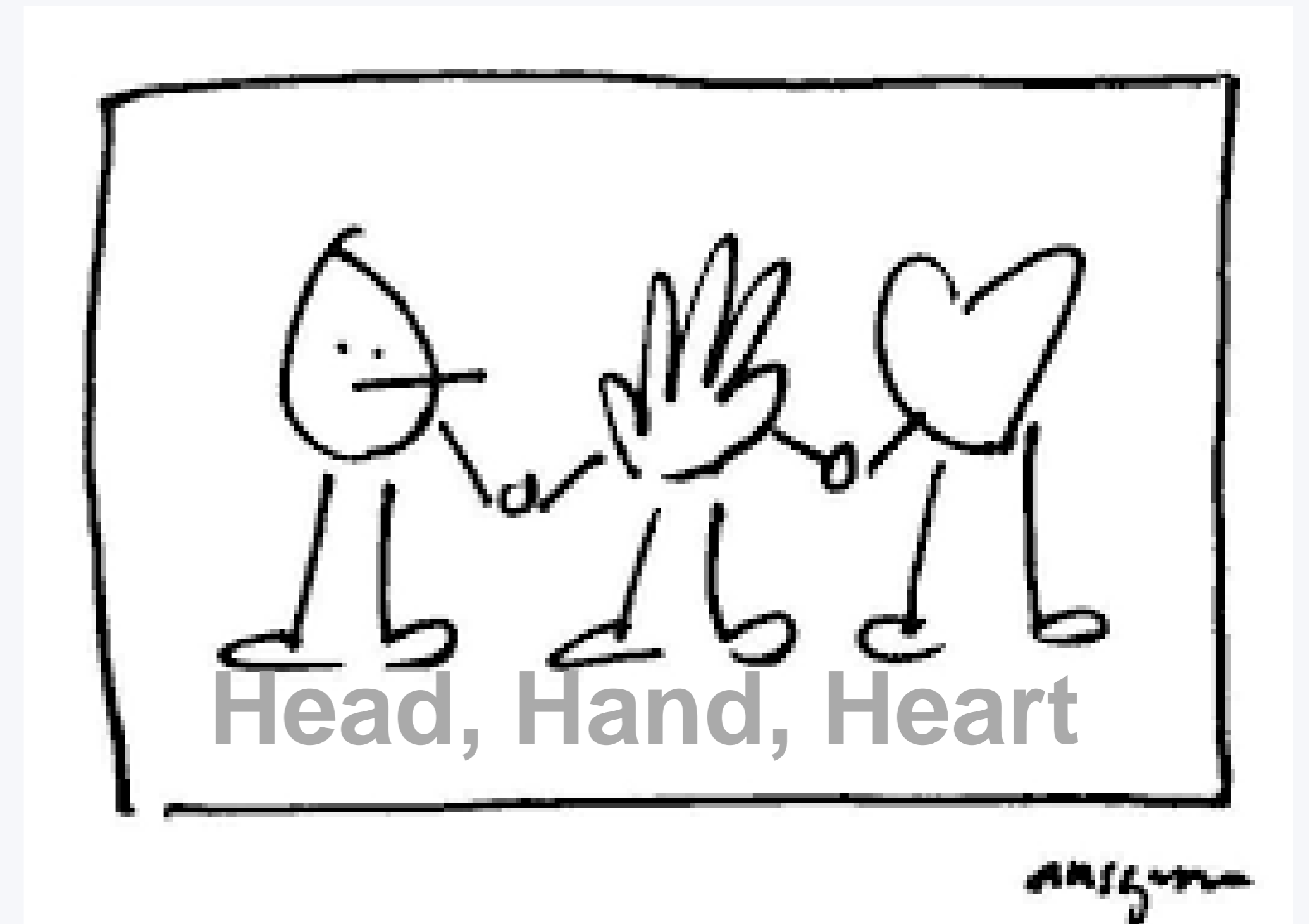


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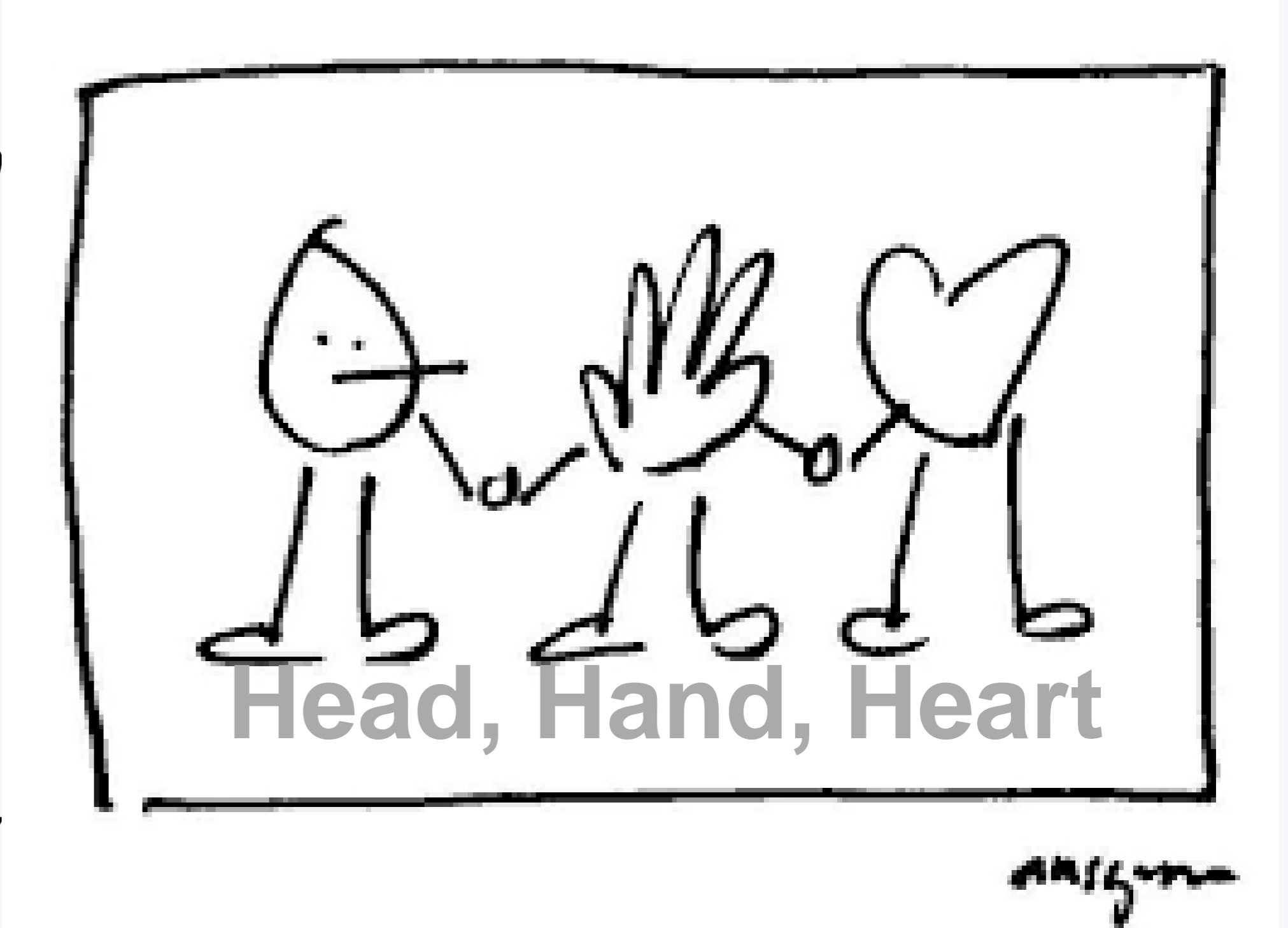
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- *Horizontal relationships*
- *Believe in their potential to transform themselves and their communities*
- *Ensure they feel safe to learn*



Conditions that helps to foster ethical reflections, critical thinking and empathy

- *Engage them in meaningful experiences that create the “Aha moments.”*
- *Create opportunity for dialogue and collaboration among them*
- *Encourage to imagining a new reality – an alternative to the way things are.*

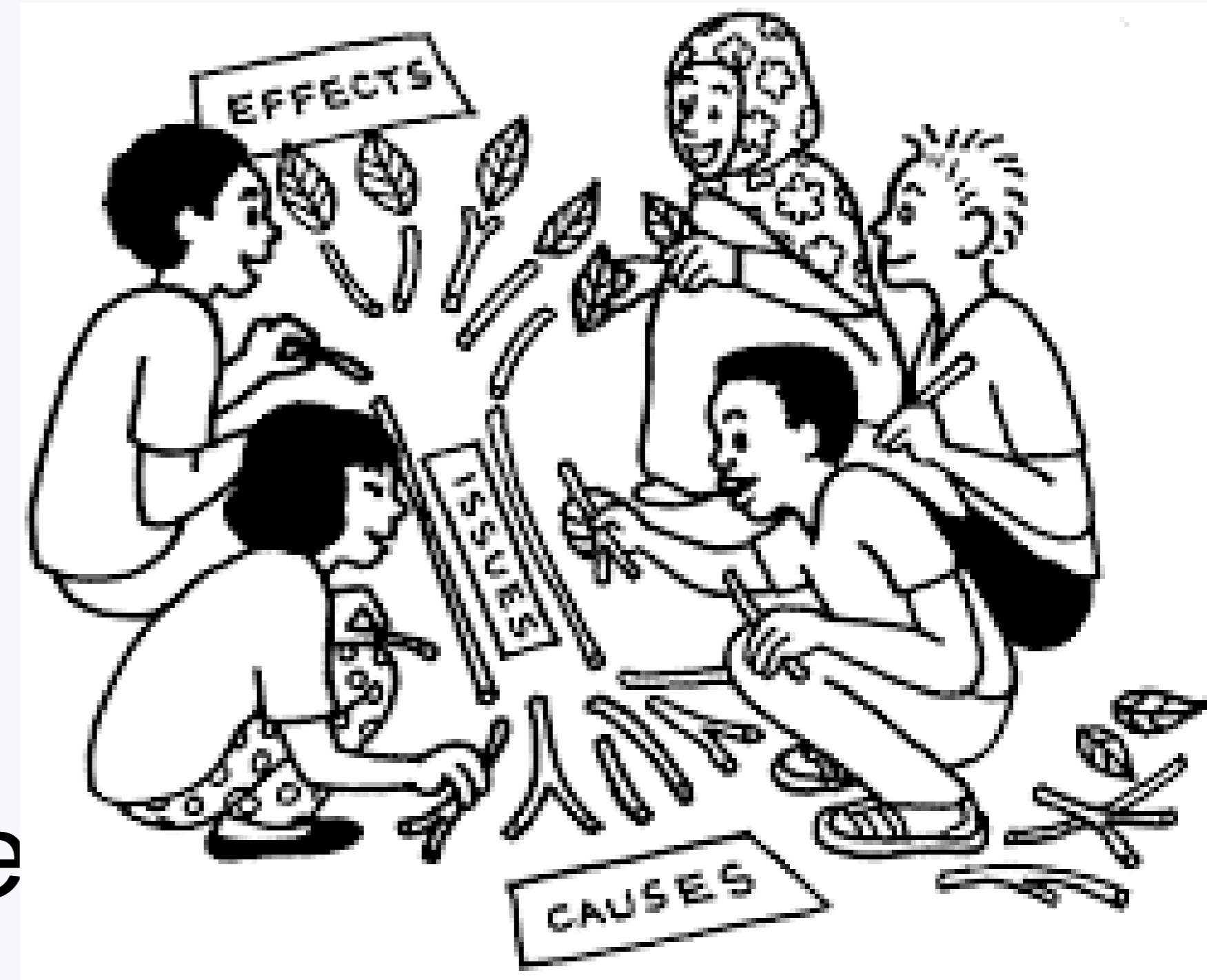


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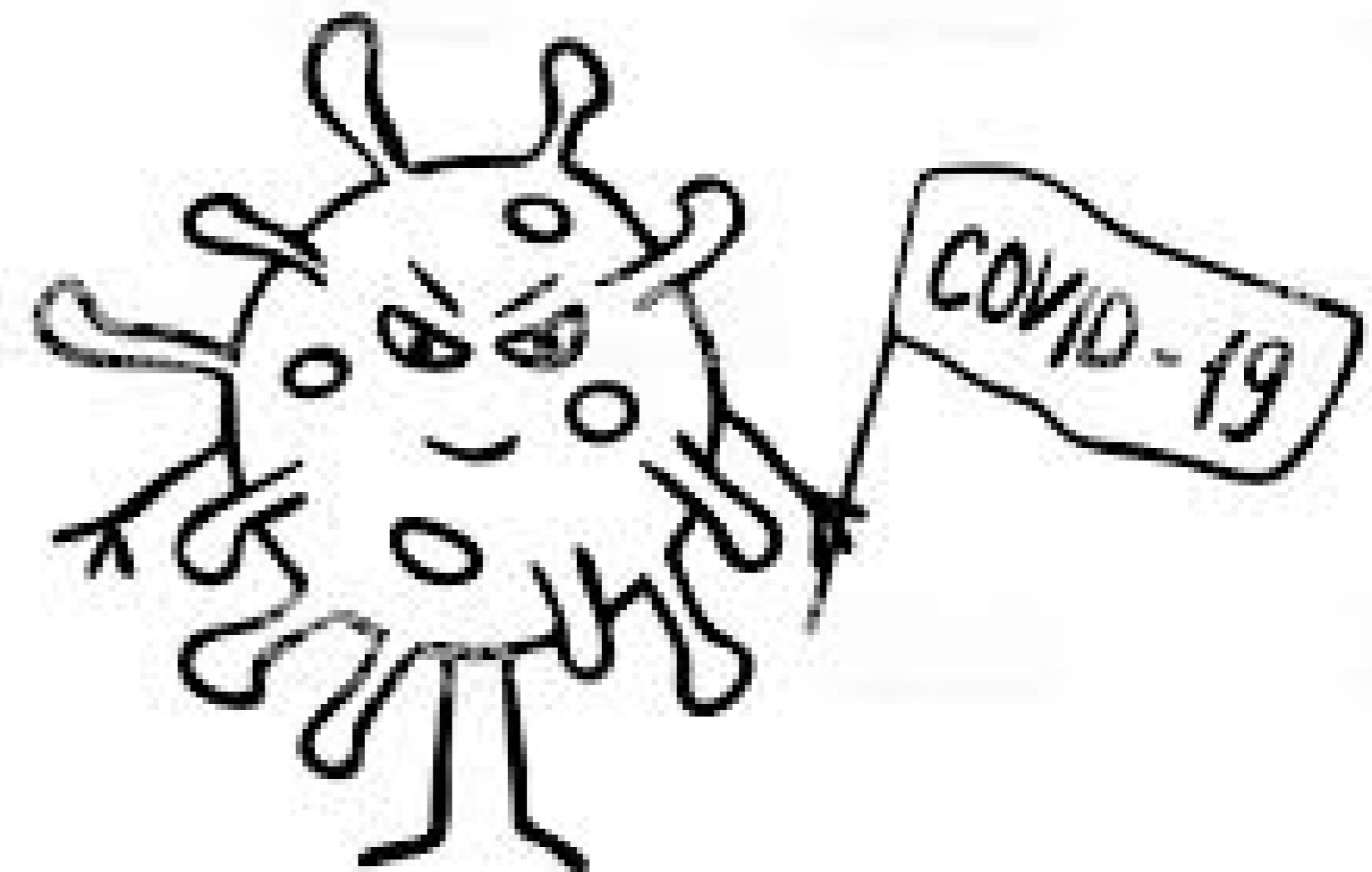
- *Ensure the connection to the their contexts and current issues*
- *Ensure they interact and hear from people of diverse backgrounds*
- *Engage them as whole persons by inviting them to share their own experiences, emotions and reflections.*
- *Move from simplistic narratives to more complex narratives*



Ethical challenges during Covid-19 Pandemic

e.g.

- *Hygiene and social distancing practices*
- *Caring for the vulnerable*
- *Strengthening positive relationships and building community*
- *Domestic violence*
- *Poverty and Inequalities*
- *Stigma and Xenophobia*

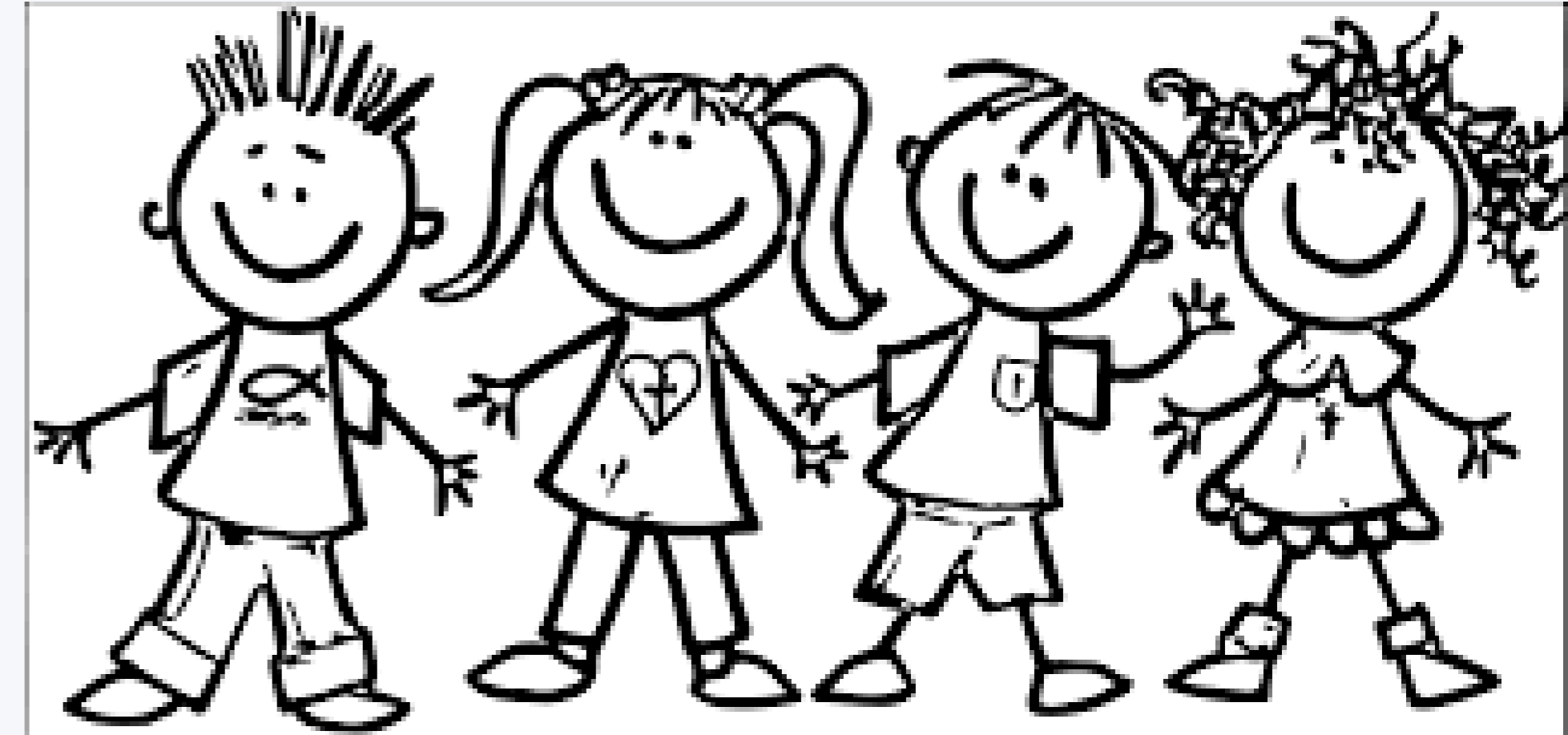


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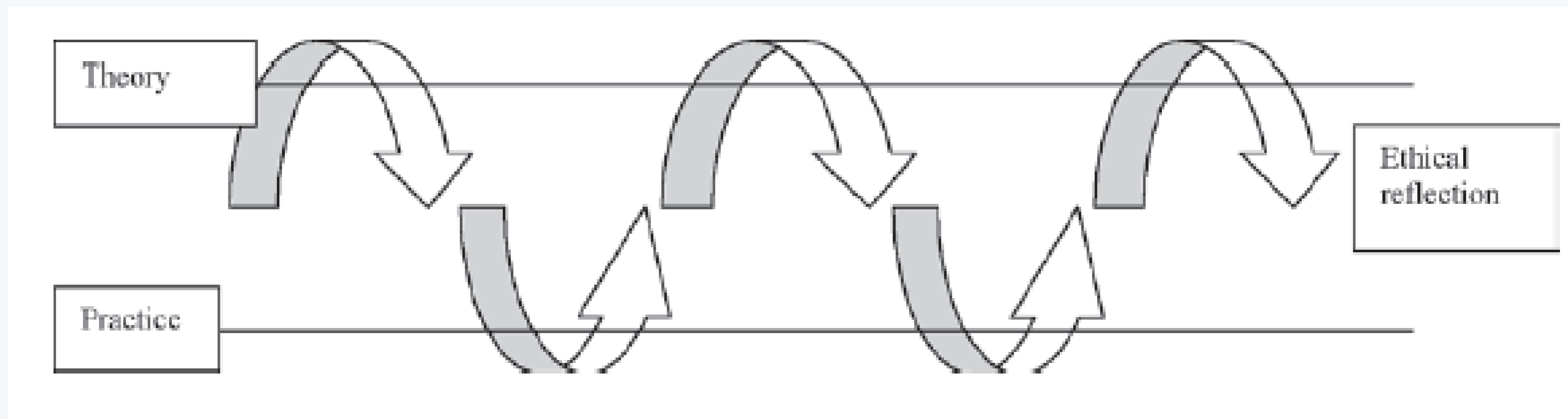


Support the agency of children to work together to transform their realities

- *Help them shape their ideas and make connections, without taking away ownership*
- *Help them to organize themselves (divide tasks, prioritize, form teams)*
- *Help them to connect to other stakeholders for support and resources*
- *Be available as a mentor/coach to support*



Ethics Education : A Praxis



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