

Jean Anyon "Social Class and Hidden Curriculum of Work" Graphic Organizer

Type of School	Working-Class Schools	Middle-Class Schools	Affluent-Professional	Executive Elite Schools	Your own ideas
Social characteristics of the parents, income, occupation?	-“blue collared jobs” -most are unskilled/semiskilled jobs -average income is at or below \$12,000	-blue collar rich, middle class white collar and middle management jobs -income is \$13,000-25,000	-upper middle class to capitalist class jobs -income is \$40,000-80,000	-top executives, town politics/government jobs -income is \$100k-500k	-as income increases, diversity decreases
Kind of work students learn to do? What types of skills are developed in this school?	-“work is following the steps of a procedure” -everything is mainly mechanical, no decision making	-“work is getting the right answer” -some decision making	-“work is creative activity carried out independently” -individual thought and expressiveness	-“work is developing one’s analytical intellectual powers” -helps one to achieve, excel, prepare for life	-as income increases, learning becomes more creative, independent and expressive
What types of jobs are they being prepared for?	-mechanical occupations; blue collared jobs	-middle management jobs, blue collar rich or middle class white collar jobs	-upper middle class jobs or capitalist class jobs	-top executive jobs or jobs in politics/government -ceo/boss of boss	-the same types of jobs their parents/family has

Based on her ethnographic research, what does Anyon propose? What is she arguing? What does she say about what these differences mean and why they matter?

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Anyon proposes that as a society, we do more research on the school systems and how they teach and conduct activities in each 'type' of school and social class to determine whether her observations are correct. She is arguing that in doing this research, we could find that the everyday activities and classwork done in the different schools parallel the unequal economic social structure we have in everyday life.