Why Is Social Learning Important?

Why does social learning matter? What makes it important? Share your thoughts.

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**Social learning design theory**

immediacy - no value judgement, a mix of instant and delayed. Love this tool.
wow! neat way to interact and build relationship!

Social learning gives the opportunity to teach and be taught. Makes members feel valuable, important. Giving back is vital to engagement and learning skills that are useful is also important to keep people involved and continue to encourage that cycle.
Love how the padlet works =- great way to share roundtable ahas for a large audience!

Stream of consciousness learning...
love it!

Creates relationships
It helps members connect with one another.
Bringing the Lessons Learned home

applied learning

learning happens through peer discussion

If you learn alone, then alone is the context of your understanding

We do it every day...

We just need to *think* about it more
The ability to learn from your peers really helps. It's great to hear stories / lessons learned from others that help you perhaps avoid the same pitfalls.

No one knows everything and everyone knows something to share and help others.

It is instant and in today's environment that is key.
It's all about being an all teach...all learn community

Because we are all on this world together & the better we can connect, the more peace we will have

People want to connect with people who understand what they do.
Engagement is Key!

Learning with others has proven to add significant value to the experience. Overall "the learning experience" is the most important component to the learning value.

Time it takes to develop education

Everyone wants education right away and with social learning we eliminate the development cycle in some ways.
opportunity to learn best practices

People are social
if not, we'd all just read books by ourselves.

One of the best

We don't have all the answers...
But our members do...
Life is social

Social learning is important because life (and work) is social. Social learning helps replicate the realities that learners are likely to face when they are required to make actual decisions and solve actual problems in the workplace.
Acceleration of learning

Learning from others successes and failures is a practical tool of the continual learner. The key is making sure that a failure isn't labeled as a success (i.e., your learning the wrong things to do).
Leading Horses to Water

Working with learners that have relied on traditional conveyance of knowledge in classroom and face-to-face settings, social learning is a growth opportunity for our membership and leaders. It gives new meaning to "instruction" as we have come to know it.
Mindfulness

I like the concept that we're already "doing" social learning; however, if we are more aware of the different elements, we can create education that reaches more learners and can be useful to various levels and industries.
By talking to others, we form relationships.

While that is obvious, it is more and more important in today's world of influencer marketing and referral networking for mentorship, job opportunities, and finding service professionals.
No wrong answer

I like the idea that there is no value judgment on the dimensions of social learning. Also, that it can be small-scale (one on one), as well as massive (MOOC).

It matters, because as was stated here, we learn by observing others. We also learn by interacting with each other. (As an extrovert, I would say that.)
Exchanging ideas with peers provides practical knowledge

Providing space and encouragement for idea exchanges gives learners the opportunity to have real life examples. Combining this with content from experts provides a nice balance to gain an understanding about a topic.
Factor That Cannot Easily be Replicated

Social learning is important, especially for associations, because it's a factor that's not easily replicated by other companies. It's important to understand how to best harness the social aspect of the association to stay relevant.

One important way people learn is by observing others.

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