

1. Defining giftedness as innate qualities.....

Giftedness is asynchronous development in which advanced cognitive abilities and heightened intensity combine to create inner experiences and awareness that are qualitatively different from the norm.

Columbus Group 1991

---Sensitivity, Perceptivity, Intensity, Perfectionism---

2. Five domains—

intellectual, emotion, physical, spiritual/moral, social

3. Bell shaped curve and differentiation of gifted traits

4. Dabrowski and Piechowski—Overexcitabilities/Intensities

Psychomotor
Sensual
Intellectual
Imaginational
Emotional

5. A two-sided coin: gifts and vulnerabilities:

Who is my peer?
Where do I belong?
Expectations from self and from others
Gender differences
Personality and Temperament
Giftedness is seen equally across all races,
cultures, ages, and socio-economic levels

6. The Importance of Parental Support and Understanding