Prompt 1 learning is embedded in memory, history, and story.

The Different Ways of Learning.

learning is not just listening to a teacher talk from a 90’s textbook, learning is hearing knowledge from history, memories, and stories. The main way we have been taught to learn is from history, some of the subjects that teach us this way are social studies, math, science. There is nothing wrong with learning through history, in fact it is quite an effective way to educate, by using what people before us have done to teach and improving on it. Memories also offer another way to learn, by speaking to people who can recall events and comment their personal thoughts on them we gain a much more personal and memorable experience. We also use stories to teach our young kids about basic concepts, like with fairytales, but this can also be applied to adults. Most people’s everyday lives aren’t filled with awesome experiences so making up cool stories can be an engaging way to teach them information and have them remember it.

Prompt 2 What is good listening? Did you see it today? What did it look like? Or not look like? How can you become a better listener?

The Traits of a Good Listener.

Good listening is paying full attention to what the speaker is saying. It is hard to tell who a good listener in class is because many people have different comfort zones around other people and might not feel comfortable maintaining eye contact. Today in class I believe everyone was doing a good job at listening to someone speak in class. The reason I say this is because yes, some people were talking when they where not supposed to but their conversations were about what the speaker was saying and I believe that adds to being a good listener, making connections. The way I could become a better listener is maybe to become more comfortable around the students in my class. I struggled to make eye contact because I was feeling quite overwhelmed by the amount of people in our class, so if I mad awkward eye contact, I will always have the fear of someone else seeing this and making fun of me for being shy.