



Implementing Best Practices & Educating Lawyers: Teaching Skills and Professionalism Across the Curriculum

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You've Got to Move It, Move It: Motivating and
Moving Kinesthetic Learners

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**YOU'VE GOT TO MOVE IT,
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Teaching Kinesthetic Learners

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Types of Learners

- Auditory
 - Tell me
- Visual
 - Show me
- Kinesthetic
 - Let me try it

Law School Teaching

- Traditional Lecture
 - auditory
- Power Point Presentations
 - visual
- Clinical Experience
- kinesthetic

Law Students as Learners

- Recent Findings By Boyle, Minneti and Honigsfeld
 - LSP is strongly verbal kinesthetic
 - LSP is moderately tactile kinesthetic
 - GSP is more so

Kinesthetic ... Who knew?

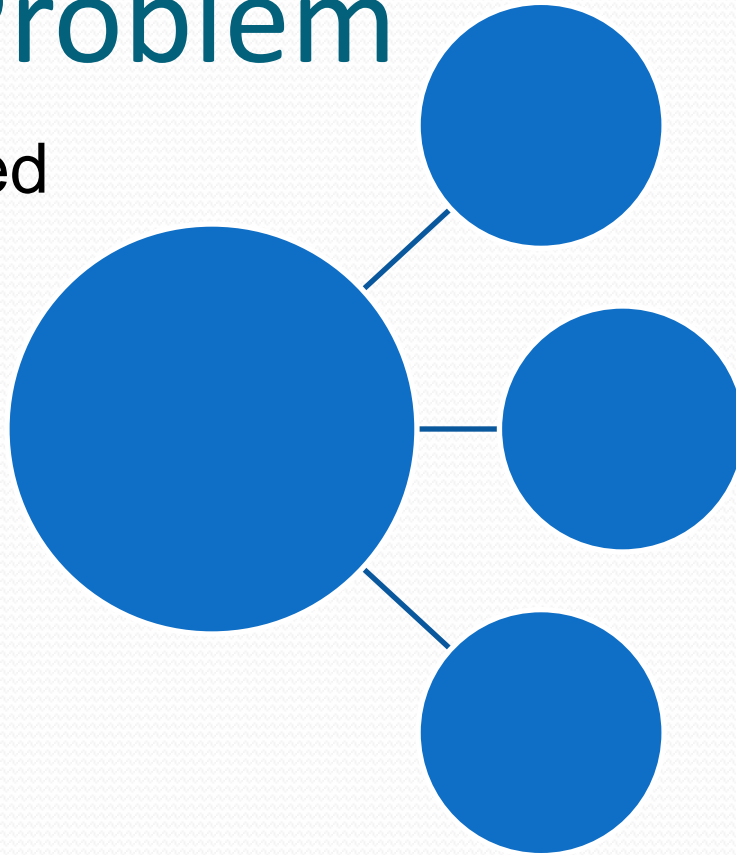
- Clinical
- Oral Argument
- Case Studies
- Role Playing
- Voting With Feet
- Small group exercises
- In-class writing exercises
- Note taking

The Living Outline

- Timing
 - After rule identification “mastered”
 - In preparation for outline assignment
 - In anticipation of Synthesis
- Purpose
 - Identify rule relationships
 - Grouping
 - hierarchy
- Outcome
 - Knowledge building
 - Team building
 - Ice breaking

The Problem

- I wanted



Problem

- or





Outline Kit

- Three-Five cases
 - Several groups/defense
 - subrules
- Posterboard
- Sharpie
- Game group
- Large physical space
- A camera



The “offsides” rule

Offsides in soccer is determined when the ball is kicked rather than when the player receives the ball. In order to be offsides, a player must be on his attacking half of the field, be involved in the play, and be closer to the goal line than the ball and all but one of the opposing team's players. Offsides does not apply on corner kicks, throw ins, and goal kicks. If offsides is called, the opposing team gets a free kick wherever the offsides player was when he was offsides. If the player is level with his last opponent, he is not offsides.

NOT the offsidess rule...

A preference in bankruptcy: Except as provided in subsections (c) and (i) of this section, the trustee may avoid any transfer of an interest of the debtor in property **(1)** to or for the benefit of a creditor; **(2)** for or on account of an antecedent debt owed by the debtor before such transfer was made; **(3)** made while the debtor was insolvent; **(4)** made **(A)** on or within 90 days before the date of the filing of the petition; or **(B)** between ninety days and one year before the date of the filing of the petition, if such creditor at the time of such transfer was an insider; and **(5)** that enables such creditor to receive more than such creditor would receive if **(A)** the case were a case under chapter 7 of this title; **(B)** the transfer had not been made; and **(C)** such creditor received payment of such debt to the extent provided by the provisions of this title.

Benefits of Teaching to Kinesthetic Learners

- Helps them understand
- Gets them motivated
- Can help other students: visual, aural
- Can help students think about their learning styles
- Adds some fun