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Typecast – or getting to know you

In a quest to find out how empathy is conveyed to history pupils, only one in six textbooks succeeds. http://tinyurl.com/njfykzy

How to raise an argumentative child

Asking "why?" allows children to construct a wide range of knowledge and build a depth of understanding.

http://tinyurl.com/q8wgvfy

Where is the accountability in education?

Accountability is a vague concept when it comes to SA's education system and panelists at a Wits debate had their differences on how to improve it. http://tinyurl.com/p3cl62s

The background paper framing the debate can be found here http://tinyurl.com/q64ud4e

Good teachers are in short supply

More people are training to be teachers but getting them into classrooms is fraught with problems. http://tinyurl.com/nng2qat

A copy of the research paper *Teacher Supply in South Africa: A Focus on Initial Teacher Education Graduate Production* can be found here http://tinyurl.com/nanloq2

Who watches the watchmen? SADTU, SACE and the insidiousness of corruption

In the first or second century AD the Roman satirist Juvenal asked "Quis custodiet ipsos custodes?" which translates to "Who will watch the watchmen?" or "Who will guard the guards?" – a pithy quote about where ultimate power does or should reside, and highlighting that all are corruptible. The latest manifestation of this seems to be with the South African Council of Educators (SACE). http://tinyurl.com/p8e9br3

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