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9. Instructional Concepts

10. Online Pedagogy

Burns, M. (2014, October 27). 10 strategies to help online learners complete an online Program - eLearning industry. Retrieved from <http://elearningindustry.com/10-strategies-help-online-learners-complete-online-program>

This article provides 10 strategies on creating an online course that will help an online learner successfully complete the online course. I chose the article because it provided what I believe to be very useful information when creating a successful online course. One of the things the article suggested was to offer a face to face orientation for the course. This can be an important component for a successful online course for some students. Some students need to know who they are communicating with and develop a relationship with them face-to-face rather than online only. Another strategy is to help students with writing. Some students may have trouble grammatically and rhetorically. Providing guidelines for the students to follow would make a difference and it should be discussed thoroughly during the orientation of the course. Another key component in developing a successful online course is that the instructor provides structure for the course that will help the student to know what they should be completing every week.

Overall, I believe all ten of the strategies provided would help a student become successful in an online course. Teachers should use this article as a guideline when teaching an online course so that there students will benefit from the instruction offered within the course.