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*20:20 Vision – Transforming Our Future
Through Person-Centred Practices*

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Finding the *person* in *person* centredness

HOW LOOKING AT PERSONS WITH WONDER ENABLES AUTHENTIC RESEARCH



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McCormack et al. (2017) describe that for anyone who considers themselves to be a person-centred researcher, it is essential for them to explore what being a person in this world means.



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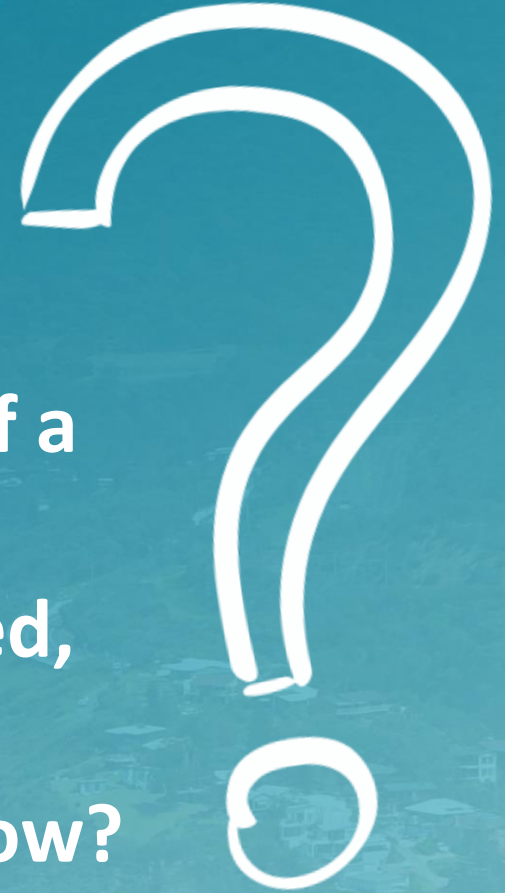
MARTHA NUSSBAUM

"all [persons], just by being human, are of equal dignity and worth, no matter where they are situated in society, and the primary source of this worth is a power of moral choice within them, a power that consists in the ability to plan a life in accordance with one's own evaluation of ends...[T]he moral equality of persons gives them a fair claim to certain types of treatment at the hands of society and politics ... [T]his treatment must do two ... things [:] respect and promote the liberty of choice, and ... respect and promote the equal worth of persons as choosers"

Nussbaum 1999, *Sex and Social Justice*

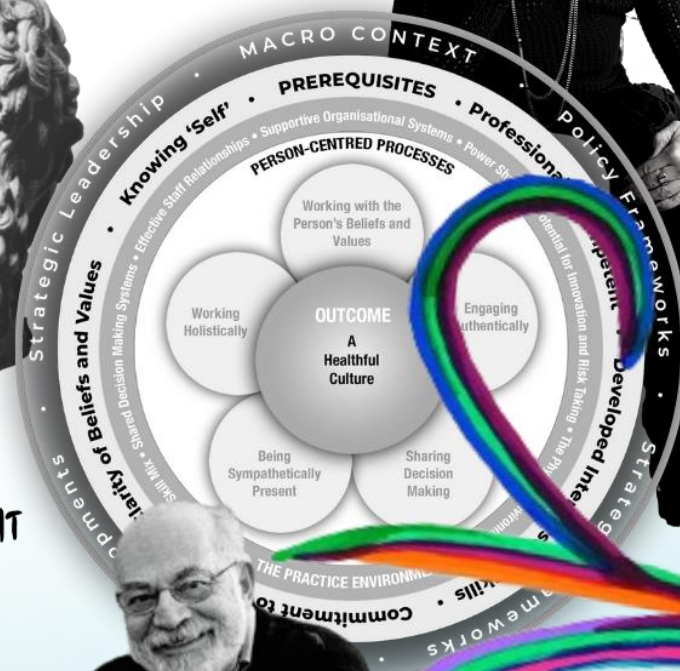
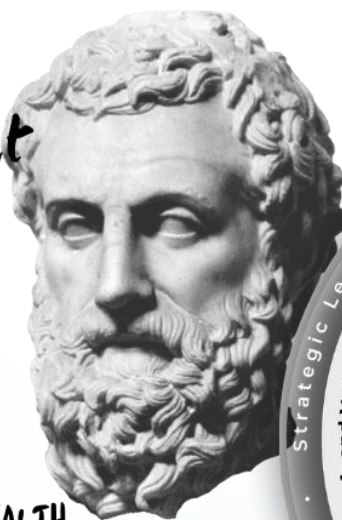
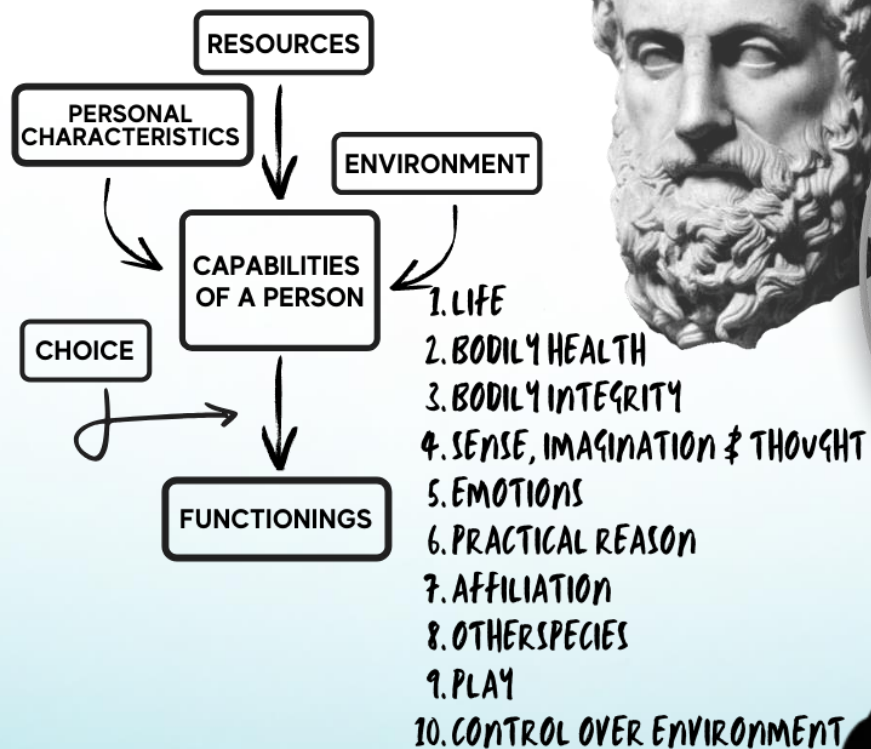
Guiding Questions

- What is a person?
- What are the attributes that make a person?
- Are there differences between the attributes of a person and personhood?
- Is personhood established, expressed, bestowed, embodied (drawing on my views of a person)?
- What does person-centredness mean for me now?



PERSONS, PERSONHOOD & PERSON-CENTREDNESS

CAPABILITIES APPROACH for HUMAN DEVELOPMENT



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METHODOLOGY & METHODS

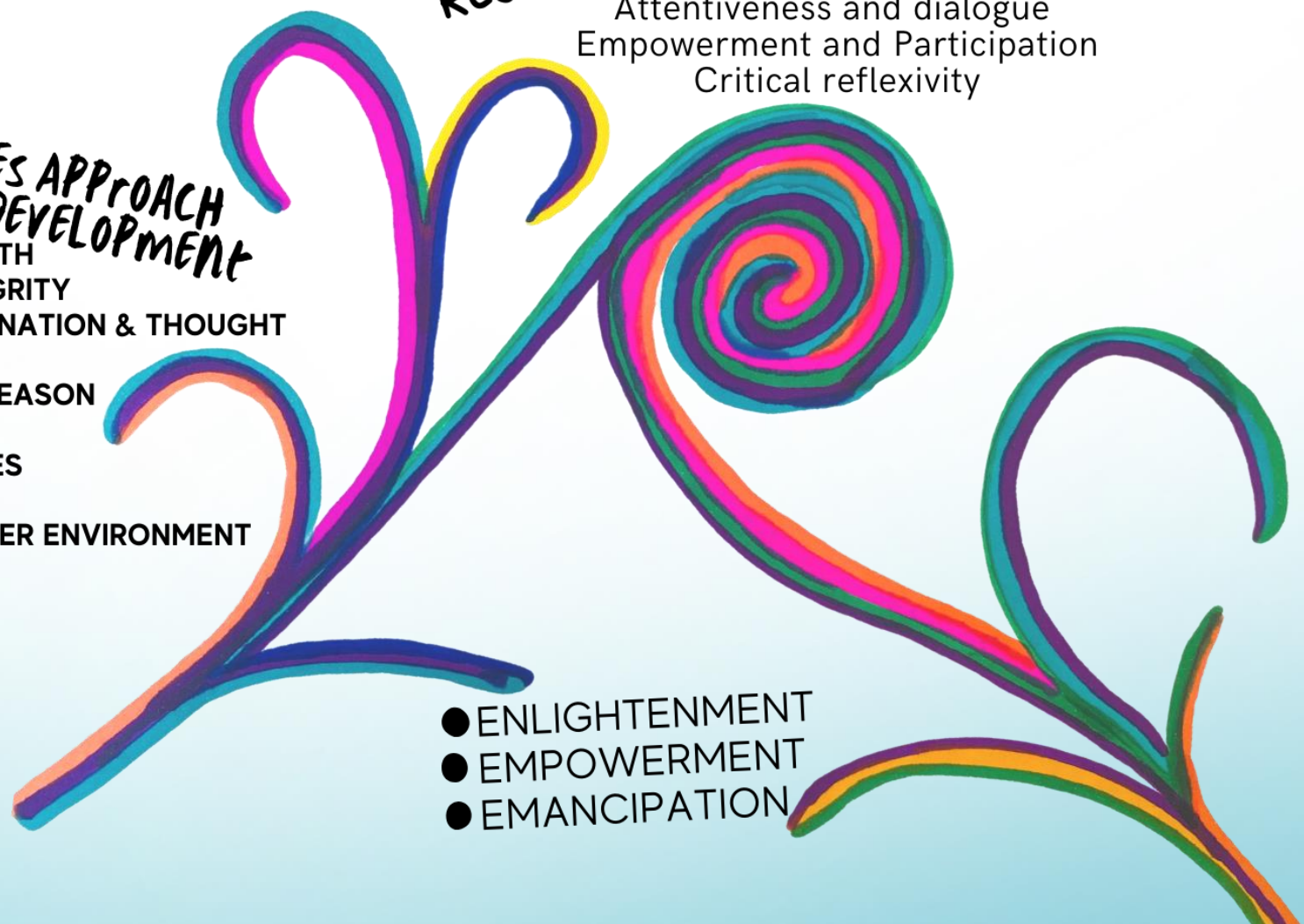
CAPABILITIES APPROACH for HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

1. LIFE
2. BODILY HEALTH
3. BODILY INTEGRITY
4. SENSE, IMAGINATION & THOUGHT
5. EMOTIONS
6. PRACTICAL REASON
7. AFFILIATION
8. OTHERSPECIES
9. PLAY
10. CONTROL OVER ENVIRONMENT

Person-centred Research Principles

Connectivity
Attentiveness and dialogue
Empowerment and Participation
Critical reflexivity

- ENLIGHTENMENT
- EMPOWERMENT
- EMANCIPATION



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Key Points

- ➔ Exploring what it means to be a person in this world will inform authentic and values driven research
- ➔ Person-centred researchers should consider the philosophical perspectives of what it means to be a person



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