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Tatiana Chemi argues in the book that society's demands for increasing the creative capital of the labour market and in society as a whole should lead the school system to develop methods and forms of learning that will enhance the students' creative learning. She demonstrates that schools have a need to experiment with creative teaching methods. She inspires the development of teaching methods and materials. The book is evidence-based and builds a bridge between theory and practice.

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SUMMARY

All children, regardless of age, gender, geographical and social background, whether they are well functioning or mentally disabled, thrive under the same conditions for well-being, and learn if they thrive. The challenges that our society is experiencing, make creativity and job satisfaction basic needs that we cannot ignore.

This book is aimed primarily at the creative school and its brave defenders in a joint effort to continue to further develop the well-functioning elements and find new creative ways to meet our children's needs for learning, development, confidence and positivity.

The purpose of this book is to inspire the teachers who believe that creativity should be a central focus in school, and that artistic creativity can greatly contribute to a more creative and reflective school. This inspiration is offered in the form of cases and examples illustrating the significant benefits that the integration of arts in teaching offers, such as positive emotions and cognitive intensity, but also in terms of concrete, effective practical tools.

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