

Definitions of Giftedness

1892

Galton



an ability that was exceptionally high, and at the same time in-born

1925

IQ 140

Terman



Marland

Those, identified by professionally qualified persons who, by virtue of outstanding abilities are capable of high performance.

1972

"professionally qualified" includes teachers



Columbus Group

1991



Giftedness is asynchronous development in which advanced cognitive abilities and heightened intensity combine to create inner experiences and awareness that are qualitatively different from the norm.

NCCA

2007 - Ireland



Students who require opportunities for enrichment and extension that go beyond those provided for the general cohort of students.

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