

Higher Education

An Owner's Guide

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the view from my window



tl;dr

**Ask not what your
education can do
for you; ask what
you can do for your
education.**

**what we
teach**

what you learn

**An accidental scholar's
progress, in three episodes**

episode 1: the 1980s





Episode 2: the 1990s



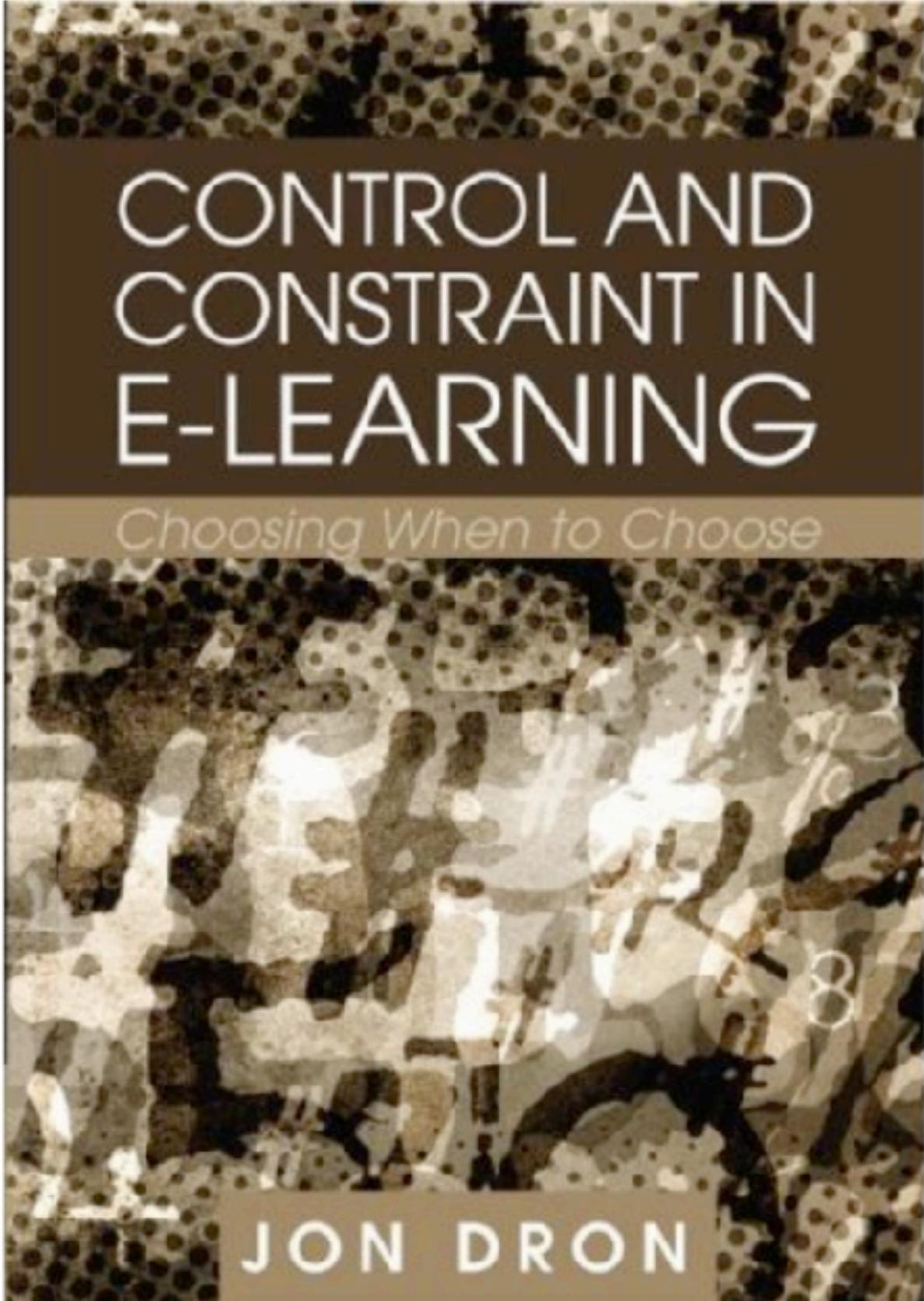


Episode 3: the 2000s









CONTROL AND CONSTRAINT IN E-LEARNING

Choosing When to Choose

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and so to Canada



**Athabasca
University**

not like emergency
online teaching



Athabasca
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open. online. everywhere.

What mediaeval monks did for me (and you)



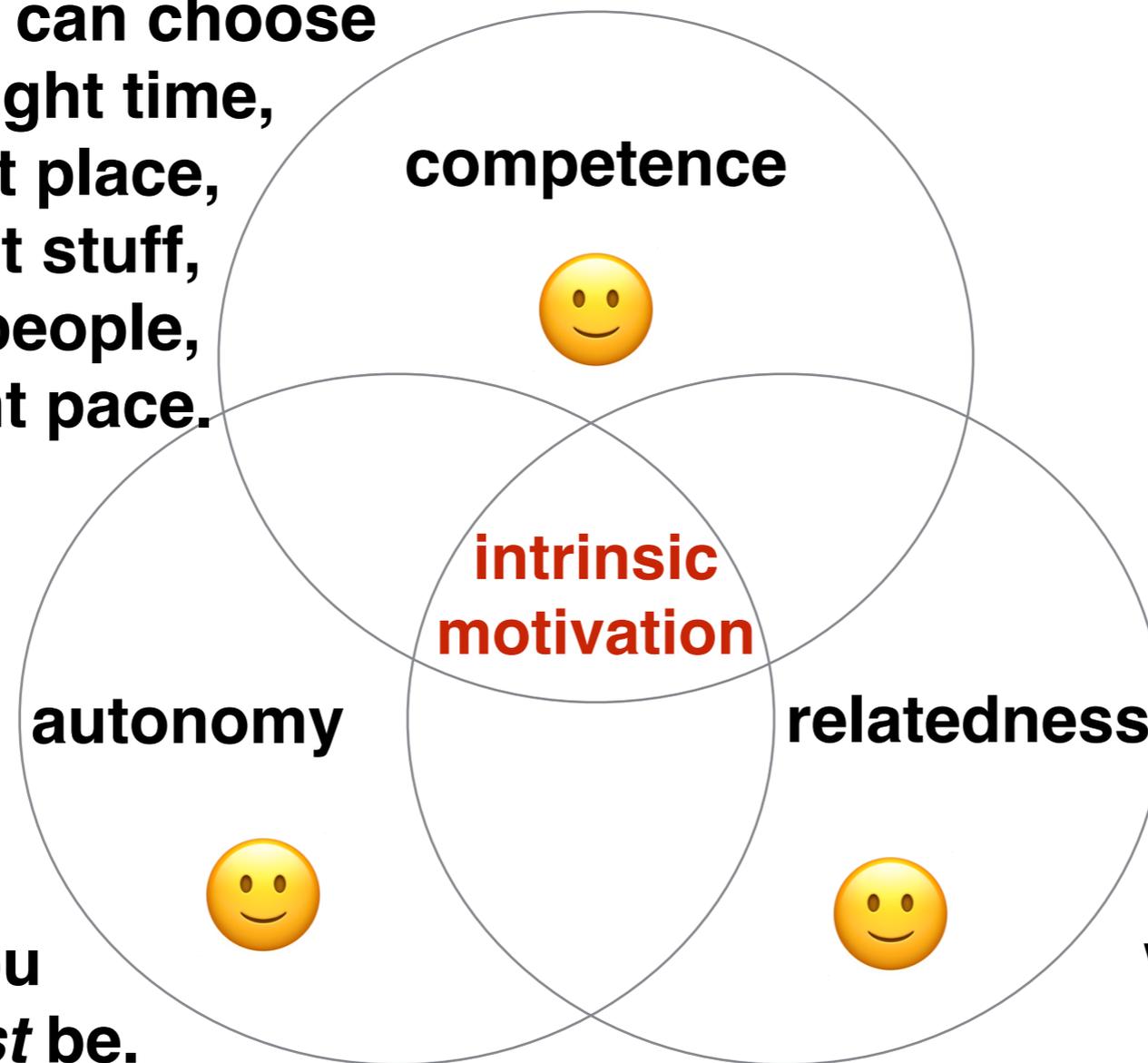
Enormous problems

1. People who don't want to be there
2. People who are bored
3. People who are confused
4. People who have no control
5. Punishments and rewards

Learning online is neat

You can try, and try again.

**You can choose
the right time,
the right place,
the right stuff,
the right people,
the right pace.**



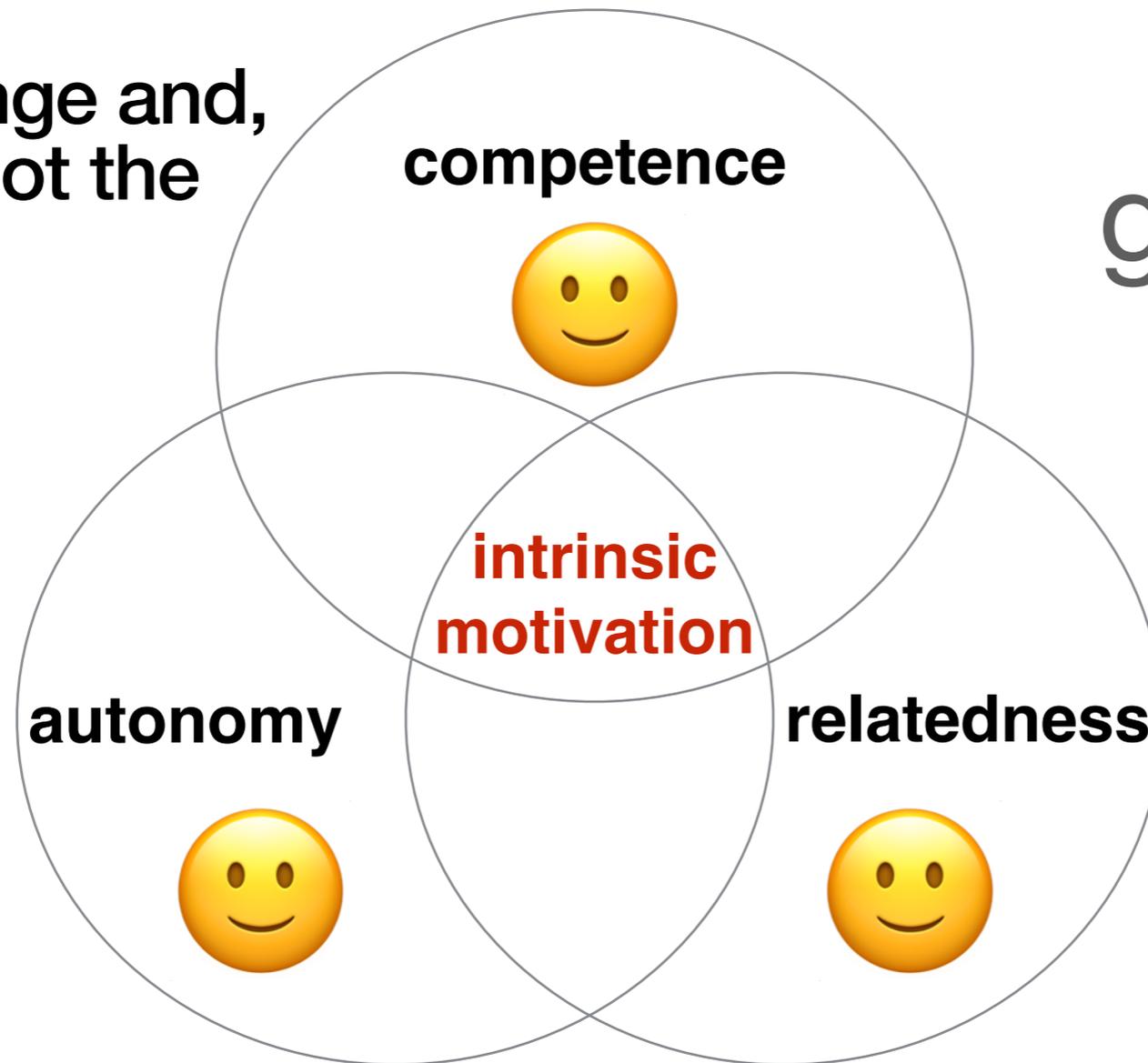
**The teacher
cannot be in
control. You
must be.**

**There are many
people out here.
Learn to share.
Learn to connect
with them.**

Whether online or not...

own your education

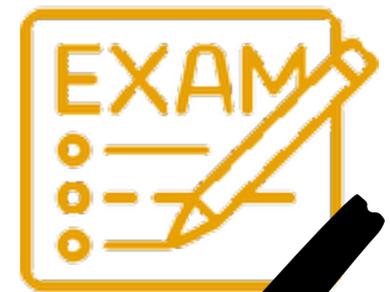
Seek challenge and, adventure, not the easy path



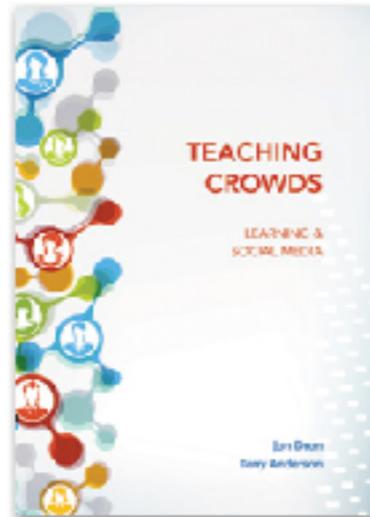
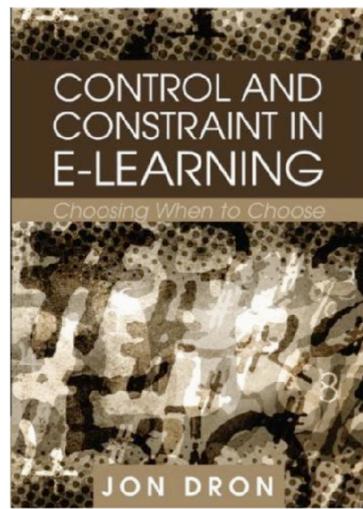
Control it:
choose when to choose,
get what *you* want from it

Do things that matter to you
with people you care about

Don't seek
good grades,
seek good
learning



Have fun



Thank you

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