Advantages and Disadvantages of Student Centered Learning

Advantages
1. Students develop learning and other skills and gain meaningful knowledge that will help them throughout life.
2. It can help to build social skills and self-esteem.
3. And also students gain more emotional and cognitive support from their peers.
4. The relationship between rights and responsibilities is learned.
5. Students discover that learning is interesting and fun.
6. Teachers have less traditional work to do.
7. Students are more attentive and willing to participate in the class.
8. Complaints about irrelevance and unfairness decrease.
9. Reports and papers generated by students increase a teacher's collection of useful information.
10. The pupil has more of an active role to play in their learning.
11. Students can adapt the way they learn, to make their studies more effective.
12. The ideal situation for this type group work is that weaker students should be placed with more able students to act as scaffolding.
13. Students work on projects or problems in teams with both personal and team accountability for conceptual understanding.
14. Students work together in achieving goals by upholding the norms of the group.
15. Students are actively helping and motivating spirit to succeed together.
16. Active role as peer tutors to further enhance the group’s success.
17. Interaction between students with increasing their ability to argue.

In addition to these advantages of cooperative learning also have shortcomings, according to Dees including the following:

Disadvantage
1. It requires a longer time for students so it is difficult to achieve curriculum targets.
2. Take a long time for teachers so that teachers in general do not want to use cooperative learning.
3. It requires special skills of teachers so that not all teachers can do or use of cooperative learning.
4. Specific nature of student demands, such as the nature likes to work together.