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The Paramount Potentials of a Good Teacher: A Study Based on Modern Day World

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ABSTRACT

Teachers today have a significantly wider role than they did in the past in imparting information in a period of fast technological innovation and changing social needs. Teachers of today are thought to be important role models for developing their pupils' emotional, social, and ethical growth in addition to their academic accomplishment. This essay offers research on the characteristics that, in the contemporary classroom, make an effective teacher. It examines the changing roles that educators must play, highlighting the need of flexibility, critical thinking, and digital literacy while maintaining values such as empathy, moral rectitude, and cultural sensitivity. In order to continue forming well-rounded, imaginative, and knowledgeable citizens, it will be crucial for education in the future to assist educators in adjusting to these shifting expectations.

Key Words: Critical Thinking, Digital Literacy, Educators, Flexibility, Values.

1. INTRODUCTION

Teachers now play a function that crosses traditional boundaries in an era of fast technology innovation and constantly changing societal requirements. Teachers are increasingly seen as architects of holistic development, leading not only academic improvement but also their pupils' emotional, social, and ethical well-being. Previously, they were thought of as only imparting knowledge. The responsibilities on educators have increased dramatically as the modern world necessitates adaptable thinking, problem-solving abilities, and digital literacy. This comparative study looks at the critical potentials of a good teacher in today's globalized educational environment. It does this by analyzing the traits that keep teachers effective in a variety of learning environments and by emphasizing the ways that contemporary methods deviate from conventional teaching paradigms. To enable instructors to succeed in the classroom of the future, it is imperative that they comprehend these dynamics.

2. OBJECTIVES

This study's main goal is to investigate the fundamental characteristics and changing function of teachers in the contemporary society. It looks for the fundamental qualities of good teaching, such empathy, communication, and subject matter competence. Additionally, by contrasting conventional methods with modern, student-centered approaches, the study looks at how technology developments, such as digital tools and online learning, have changed the way that teaching activities are conducted. The study takes into account the impact of cultural and geographical characteristics on teaching effectiveness while highlighting the growing significance of flexibility and critical thinking for educators and learners alike. The study's ultimate goal is to make recommendations for methods for teachers' continuous professional development so they may continue to be influential and adaptive in the quickly evolving educational landscape of today.

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3. METHODOLOGY

The study starts with a thorough analysis of the body of knowledge about the characteristics of both traditional and contemporary instructors. Important resources include books, scholarly papers, and research by well-known education experts.

4. ESSENTIAL QUALITIES OF A GOOD TEACHER

It is utmost truth that a teacher is a very significant person who provides his students with profound knowledge, talents, research, philosophy, and argumentative studies. He is entitled as an architect of a nation. He plays a key role in building up an educated nation. He dispels the darkness of ignorance from the society. Some special qualities, i.e., veracity, honesty, regularity, punctuality, diligence, sympathy etc. should have in his character. He has a strong personality. He shows role just like an actor in the class in delivering lectures, in presenting articles at the seminar and symposium etc. As a student of law I would like to mention here that Law is a practical oriented subject and particularly legal profession is considered as an art, because the pleadings and arguments of an Advocate before the court depend upon knowledge, research and well presentation, moreover, the legal system of Bangladesh and other common law countries, e.g., United kingdom, United States of America, Australia, Singapore, India and Pakistan etc. is adversarial system (both the parties contest before the court) and for that reason a teacher of law should deliver lectures before the pupils or learners by considering the contemporary practical situation and real circumstances of legal arena of the world. He has to hold the attention and interest of his students. He should have a strong clean and pleasant voice. He is a man of letters with profound knowledge in the respective field. We know that everybody has something valuable inside him. A good teacher discovers the hidden talent or treasury of the students. A good teacher should hold a strong morality. He always gives the students advices to be honest, because we know that honesty is the best policy and it is also said by different scholars of the world that if character is lost, everything is lost and the character should be casted by all. So, a good teacher can prove himself as follower and model of honesty by his all straightforward dealings with the students. Besides, a great success of any student depends upon honesty, integrity and hard labor which are also learnt from a good teacher. A good teacher is measured as the best friend and guide of the students, because, a good way for grand success in every sphere of life is counseled by the teacher. He should prove himself as favorite teacher to all students by his charismatic personality or versatile quality though it is really difficult to adjust with all. A good teacher can share his vast knowledge with the students through teaching profession and for that reason teaching is really a noble profession in any civilized society. A good teacher should also prove himself as father, brother and shelter of the students as well, because, one is horn again by the teacher taking proper education which was also reiterated in the literature of the great Bengali writer Kazi Motaher Hossain Chowdhury. The teaching method of a teacher should be very easy, clear-cut and striking. He has to be very friendly and cooperative with his students. He should make the lessons easily understandable and interesting to the students, since, it is said by the greatest world poet and Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore that one should learn the lesson with joy. A good teacher teaches the students in a new style in every class like other learned teachers of the different famous universities of the contemporary world. He can make the lectures or any problems easy. He knows well how to accelerate the curiosity of the students in gathering knowledge. He always boosts the students to learn new things. A good teacher aids the backward students very much. The former honorable President of India Late APJ Abdul Kalam voiced that 'the best brain of a nation may be found on the last bench of a class.' So, I think, it is the commitment of a good teacher to make the pupils for future wealth of the state. He can split all the students of class into different groups for better understanding of the lectures through group discussion. He conducts some extra classes for them if it is needed. He should have some special or extra-ordinary qualities that invite the students very much inside the class and outside the class. A true and great teacher always loves the students and books, lessons, lectures. In addition, a good teacher tries his or her best to solve the problems raised by the students concerning the academic affairs or other related matters. That's why a good teacher is regarded as the best student in the class. A perfect and noble teacher creates the dreams of life on the mind of the students and nurtures the pupils to implement their aims in life. Furthermore, a good teacher at all times inspires the learners to be sincere, attentive, laborious, disciplined, honest, characterful, etc. and for that reason a good teacher is honored perfectly as the maker of a nation. A teacher is reflected as the great demonstrator who places the lectures in the class in an exceptional method and makes the students vigorous listener. A good teacher

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keeps the class out and out joyful and the students also get chance to take part in the lectures, because participation of both sides in the class is really pleasurable and fruitful class. A good teacher should give importance on the better understanding of the students in regard to the respective lessons and in this context it can be held particularly in the field of law that Law is not such subject to learn by heart comprehensively but to understand and thus a faculty member of law should deliver easily understandable lecture with illustrations mentioning jurist's opinion and relevant case reference. A faculty member of law should also confer proper significance on English language in case of delivering lecture, because, we know that in a greater extent law was originated from England and maximum law books are written in English and all-out Superior Courts of the world including Bangladesh deal all things by English language. A good teacher should make lecture plan and short lecture sheets for the students and lecture sheets should be available in the online/website and a good teacher should communicate with the students as to better understanding of the lectures through online/website or any other way by using modern equipment's and technology according to the plea of the students. Further, a good teacher never follows meticulously any book in case of delivering lecture in the class room and accordingly a principled teacher should encourage the students to follow more reference books. A good teacher should make practical and exemplary question for the examination and he should examine and evaluate the answer scripts with proper care and liberal view. A good teacher should observe a standard for the evaluation of the answer script and making grade sheet. For the instance, the features of the best answer of any question are:

- 1. Introduction.
- 2. Common information maintaining relevancy,
- 3. Explanation;
- 4. Illustrations;
- 5. Jurist's opinion/case reference with full citation;
- 6. Own opinion;
- 7. Concluding remark.

A student is deserved to get A+ Grade if the answer script of the students contains the aforementioned characters.

The only thought of a good teacher is how he could present the nation as a good citizen. A good teacher never hankers after money. He is regarded as an asset of the country and consequently the proper authority of the state should give proper honor and recognition to the teachers of every institution considering comparative situation of the developed countries.

5. CONCLUSION

A competent teacher now plays a function that goes beyond traditional teaching techniques in the quickly changing educational landscape of today. The capacity to integrate technology and promote critical thinking has now been added to essential traits like empathy, flexibility, and cultural awareness. While conventional skills are still valuable, this comparative research demonstrates that educators in the present day need to be prepared to deal with a variety of obstacles and dynamic learning contexts. In order to guarantee that educators continue to mold well-rounded, creative students as time goes on, it will be essential to assist their professional growth.

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