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DEVELOPING CREATIVITY IN PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

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Abstract

This article analyzes the pedagogical features of developing students' creative activity in primary education and its role in the educational process. The article discusses the main methods, principles, and techniques for fostering creativity. It emphasizes how encouraging creative thinking, considering individual student characteristics, and supporting their independent activities can enhance the effectiveness of education. The role of pedagogical innovations and modern methodological approaches in nurturing creativity is also explored. Furthermore, the article references normative documents such as the Law "On Education" of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the "National Training Program," as well as reform measures aimed at improving the education system. This study provides valuable insights into pedagogical practices aimed at enhancing creative activity in primary education.

Keywords: Primary education, creative activity, pedagogical features, innovative approaches, creative thinking, independent activity, educational reforms, education in Uzbekistan, teaching methodologies, individual student characteristics.

Introduction

Creativity is a multifaceted and dynamic phenomenon that lies at the core of human innovation, expression, and development. Defined as the ability to generate new ideas, solutions, and perspectives, creativity is considered a key aspect of cognitive development and personal growth [1].

Today, one of the most important objectives of the education system is to nurture individuals capable of innovative thinking, independent decision-making, and realizing their full potential. Creativity is the foundation of this approach. In



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particular, fostering creative thinking in primary school students lays a solid foundation for their success in later educational stages, social engagement, and professional development.

Creativity develops as a child interprets the world through personal experience and reconstructs events in unique ways. Therefore, this process must begin at the earliest stages of schooling. In primary education, fostering a stimulating learning environment, adopting an encouraging teacher attitude, and incorporating creative tasks and games help engage students in creative thinking.

This article discusses the age-specific traits of primary school children, pedagogical approaches that promote creativity, effective methods applicable in the classroom, and the teacher's role in the development of creativity.

✓ Analysis of Literature on Developing Creativity in Primary Education

Analyzing literature related to creativity in primary education provides insights into methods for nurturing creative thinking and unlocking children's potential. Research in this field incorporates pedagogical techniques, psychological approaches, and innovative practices [2].

Literature, scholarly articles, and methodological guides outline the main directions for fostering creativity at the primary level. Studies show that children's imagination, free thinking, and ability to make independent decisions begin to take shape in these early years. Therefore, curricula should include creative tasks, problem-based learning, and methods that stimulate imagination.

Moreover, the literature emphasizes that a teacher's personal approach, communication style, and creative selection of didactic tools play a crucial role in shaping students' creativity. Creativity-oriented lessons allow students to express their ideas freely and seek diverse solutions to problems.

2. Manifestations of Creative Types in Primary School Students

Creativity in primary school students develops gradually and manifests in various ways based on their interests, worldviews, and activities. At this stage, children create new images, ideas, and expressive tools. Each student approaches problems from a personal perspective, expressing their creativity in different forms. It is essential for educators to guide this process appropriately.



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Types of Creativity:

- Scientific Creativity: Understanding existing phenomena in new ways, studying events, and discovering through mental exploration.
- Technical Creativity: Creating practical innovations, inventions, and socially valuable tools based on theoretical knowledge.
- Artistic Creativity: Expressing emotional states aesthetic through representation and reflecting inner experiences through art.
- Pedagogical Creativity: Solving educational problems and introducing innovations in teaching practices[3].

In primary education, early signs of artistic and scientific creativity are most commonly observed. Activities such as drawing, storytelling, and observing natural phenomena enable children to express their thoughts creatively. The teacher plays a supportive and guiding role in this process.

✓ Principles for Developing Creativity in Primary School Students

Adhering to certain pedagogical principles is vital for effectively organizing creative activities in primary education. These principles help structure the educational process to support personal development through creativity. Teachers should create an environment that takes into account students' individual traits, encourages free expression, and motivates them to generate new ideas. Independent work, self-expression, and a desire for innovation must become integral elements of the learning process.

Key principles include:

- Developing motivation for creative activity;
- Fostering self-education and self-development skills;
- Prioritizing creative activity in the learning process;
- Aligning pedagogical processes with students' individual traits;
- Implementing forms of learning that ensure independence and creativity[4].

These principles aim to enhance students' thinking activity, develop their creative potential, and strengthen their educational motivation.

✓ Attention to Creative Activity in Educational Policy

Numerous normative and legal documents have been developed in Uzbekistan to reform the education system and raise a generation that is well-rounded and



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creative. In particular, state programs focused on developing creativity and innovative thinking play an essential role. At the primary level, special attention is given to encouraging students' creative abilities, independent thinking, initiative, and unconventional approaches.

The Law "On Education" of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the "National Training Program" have laid out the main directions and prospects for educating the younger generation. The "National Training Program" outlines the fundamental areas for reforming the education system[5].

These documents serve as a strong conceptual foundation for implementing effective strategies to promote creativity in primary education.

Conclusion

Enhancing creative activity in primary education is crucial for unlocking students' personal potential and supporting their intellectual and emotional development. Promoting creative thinking, encouraging independent work, and considering individual differences contribute to a successful educational process.

Innovative approaches and modern methodologies are essential tools for fostering creativity. Uzbekistan's educational reforms and regulatory documents play a significant role in promoting initiatives that enhance creativity.

In conclusion, developing creative activity in primary education not only improves the quality of teaching but also helps cultivate independent, innovative, and socially valuable individuals. Ultimately, this contributes to the overall advancement of the national education system.

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