



ROMANIAN STUDENTS' ESSAYS ON THE EDUCATION PEOPLE RECEIVE AT SCHOOL

WHAT IS EDUCATION TO ME?

The education I receive at school is effective, helpful to my broad, not general, knowledge regardless of the subject of teaching, yet nonetheless too voluminous. By that I mean I am provided with quality pieces of information for every aspect, though generally teachers complain not to have the necessary time to deliver all the intended ones, in every subject, from Religious Education and Arts to Physics and ITC, which is way too much. I am really aware of the fact that we, as young students, need to enrich our knowledge now, as the process of detaining information is scientifically proved to be eased by the capacities of our brains, and that it is the education that we receive now that comes in handy as, later on, we will be building our futures. Nevertheless, I find that education fails to deliver the practical part; the Romanian Educational System is of such kind that lack experimental practice that would give the students an outlook on what they project their futures to be like.

Moreover, though it may be considered an objective and personal reason, I have not yet succeeded in finding my desired profession, I do

not know which way to follow, and the fact that I have to study a little bit (more) of everything isn't exactly helpful. I believe it should've been like this: every student has the right to pick his subjects according to whom he aspires to become and be encouraged to excel in those, rather than learn a huge quantity of information which is soon to be forgotten due to its impracticableness. Even extracurricular guidance sessions would be satisfying, or the suggestion to involve in as many different activities as possible in order to discover one's calling, together with the names of these activities.

To conclude, I treasure the education I receive at school yet I do believe that the ways of delivering it could be more efficient, were it joined with the method of non-formal education.

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EDUCATION

The word "education" originates from the noun "educatio" and represents a form of learning, of sharing and receiving information, as the adults train the young.

There are many types of education, starting from the education we receive from our parents, our family, when we learn the difference between right and wrong, to university, college and so on.

To begin with, there are two types of education practical and theoretical. In my opinion, it's very important that we should benefit from both, in order to succeed in accomplishing our goals and obtaining the job of our dreams.

Secondly, by going to school, we discover our favourite subjects, our weaknesses and strengths, we build our basic knowledge, things which can help us choose a path and build the foundation for our careers. Unfortunately, children who live in developing countries don't have the chance to control their future, as the lack of education leaves them without a choice.

On the other hand, we usually take for granted the education that we receive because we don't realize its importance. There are many children who don't pay attention in class, who don't want to study, but in the end, when they realize that they are stuck with a job they don't like or want, they realise they've made a huge mistake.

In conclusion, I believe that we shouldn't take education for granted, as it influences our future and also that we should learn in earnest and give our best in order to get our dream job.

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EDUCATION – THE ROOT OF DEVELOPMENT

It is usually hard to choose which path to take, for which job to apply, which dream to follow. You have to do these things on your own and you can't decide this on your first try. In my opinion, the education you receive until the turning point gives a little aid to your decisions.

Firstly, if you do not know all the constants and variables, if you are not informed well enough, you tend to make mistakes based on rush decisions. Through the education you receive, you can understand better the information you gather about the outdoor life. The education you get in school is in the top three, along with the education you receive at

home, and the education you teach yourself over the years, because of its great significance: you have a little bit of knowledge on almost every subject, and because of that, you can decide on your plans in an easier way.

Secondly, attending school is a way of surrounding yourself with people of a different age, sex, personality, from whom you can learn wonderful things that never crossed out your mind. You have approximately six hours to exchange ideas with these people, to discuss various topics and have fun. You can be the smartest person in the world, but if you can't socialize, you can't make connections with other people, then, you can not develop as a person.

Furthermore, as every person wants to be better, so do the teachers want to make school a better place for its students. That is why both the principal and the teachers come with great ideas of projects that may or may not contain the possibility to travel around the globe. These projects that took place mostly in high schools are the ones that entertain the students and make them want to learn more. School is not about stressing out your brain to get high marks, is about teaching you how to make good decisions that leave a scent of respect and maturity.

All in all, school does not only teach you how to speak, think, behave or socialize; it also gives you the opportunity to do different things every day, it provides you the possibility to open up to new challenges and develop as a great person over the years since a very young age.

Written by Ana Maria Angelescu, 12th grade

I FIND SCHOOL EDUCATION EXTREMELY IMPORTANT

School is of great importance to me as I study a lot at school and I also receive much information at many subjects. I'm in a profile in which I learn Maths, Physics and all about computers... I believe that this is enough for a student's future and if a person can learn at as many subjects as possible, there will be no problems for him/her to get a well-paid job...

To begin with, I think it is vital to learn at each subject because in this way you can have a wider picture when you want to choose your career. Unfortunately I haven't decided which job I would like to do after I have graduated from college, but I have some ideas: I'd like to become a doctor or a computer programmer. What I know is that I can clearly state that I get much information every day at school; I can say that I like Chemistry, French, English, ICT, Maths and Computer Science very much.

Moreover, I gain a lot of information for my general knowledge every day but unfortunately I don't have enough time for the following subjects: History, Geography... I'd like to know as much as possible as nobody knows when you need to give some details from these lessons or on these issues.

In conclusion, I think that I get much information at school and it is necessary for my future and for my career that's why I consider these years I have spent so far in school extremely beneficial for me and I am looking forward to gaining much valuable knowledge in the future.

Written by Radu Marinescu Marian, the 9th grade

AN EXTREMELY BENEFICIAL EDUCATION, A FUTURE FULL OF OPPORTUNITIES

Formal education is defined as the education process in which training and development are provided to people through knowledge, mind, skills and character in a highly- structured system. From the kindergarten to university all of us have to reach the highest level of education.

First of all, the early formative years are an important time for children to acquire some useful skills through using games or practical exercises which can be applied in real life. Children come into contact to each other and they start exploring their lives and characters.

Second of all, school becomes the focus of more children regarding education than this is perceived in kindergarten. The program is chronologically graded in order to be easily understood by pupils. The subjects which are based on general knowledge are very good for gaining a comprehension of the world. In school children improve their minds' abilities and their talents.

At the end of the 8th grade, pupils have exams at the most important subjects, exams for which they have been prepared throughout their all school years. As soon as they have passed this exam with a good mark, they can choose a variety of specialized classes at high school, specializations which the pupils think are right for their personal knowledge and skills.

Moreover, high school represents a new level in every teenager's life. There are lots of different types of high schools based on particular profiles, for example : the ones based on sports and physical education, music, arts or those which provide general studies (Mathematics- Informatics Natural Sciences, Social Sciences or Foreign Languages classes). Not only are these specializations helpful as they lead the students towards better knowledge for what they focus on for their future careers but they also improve student's abilities in many fields of education. During high school, the subjects which are beneficial are

Foreign Languages and Entrepreneurship, but also voluntary work can be of help, too.

Anyway, students have to get a baccalaureate diploma in order to graduate high school and this means that they must pass this exam at two compulsory subjects depending on their profile and another one which can be chosen by the student from a limited range.

To sum up, I could say that these years help students to know themselves as students are given a large base of important information in various fields. Only when the students have the diploma, they have the possibility to apply for any university or job. These are the stages students reach in order to build their future.

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ON THE WAY TO OUR FUTURE

Education, in its definition, is a form of learning in which one generation transfers its knowledge, skills, beliefs etc to another, through teaching, training, research. What I think many people forget is that we don't just need the information, we need practical approach, too. However, education is relevant and really important for everybody's success in life.

First of all, I would say that, for me, the education does not only mean the information we receive at school, but also the way we should put the theory into practice and the way we learn to behave and socialize

Everybody knows that the information we receive at school is just the "surface" of what each subject truly means, and we're just learning that not because we don't have enough time for it, though it is somehow true, but mostly because nobody knows what they want in life, and we have to experiment a lot of things to decide which is most suitable for us. This helps us understand which are our strengths and weaknesses and decide what we are best at.

Moreover, we learn to socialize, to share, to respect others and make ourselves respected. By spending on average six hours per day with the classmates who become our friends, we develop certain abilities which we wouldn't otherwise.

All things considered, the purpose of the education we receive is, besides enlarging our general knowledge, to make us aware of our potential and of our strengths so we can find what we really love to do and then do it, so on the whole, this education helps us build our future.

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WE CAN BE THE CHANGE !

What is education? There is no doubt that education is definitely the most precious thing you can have as a student or a teacher. School life begins from very early ages. Parents are the ones that teach you the first steps in life. They're beside you day by day, moment by moment and take care to offer the most precious gift: education. With time, things get complicated, taking another twist. Grow, develop and you fight every second to be the best through education.

Everyone is unique, special, only that education should assert regardless of age, background or education. Moreover, education is the mirror of anyone, because without it, our world would be a lost world!

In an explanatory dictionary, education is explained simply by the fact that it represents all measures applied systematically to train and develop the intellectual, moral or physical of children and youth or people's society.

For me, education received in school is what I need. The path you must follow to become a man of integrity and to be able to face the challenges. It does not matter how many classes of Romanian or English you have, what counts is if you're able to take your way through the world and if you could make your future in such a way that it can change everything. Of course education is important, but it's up to you if you have it or not. Teachers teach you, support you and encourage you, but if you want to become a great person in society, you need to learn a lot.

Indeed, the Romanian educational system is complex and complicated, most often children are forced to learn useless things, but each of us could change this.

Education in high school made me become increasingly better in what I want to do. Learning Romanian, English and French gives me a job opportunity in the future and a lot of knowledge. True education is not given in schools, but every person accumulates it along a lifetime, only if they want, of course. As if you can't force a fish to fly, you can't force a man to learn unless he wants to do something.

The education that I have received so far is beneficial and it opens many ways to me in the future, regardless of what I want to do. But it could be improved. If had all the money and all the resources in the world I would create a system of education that would entail pupils' will and desire. We will be happy if we do what we love and what we want.

We are the change; we do the future of the educational system, because we are the education.

Written by Denis Gabriela Grigore , 11th grade

HELP US TO BECOME GOOD ADULTS

For centuries it has been known that the education we receive in school is the most important thing for building our future because what teachers teach us will help us in college or university. Perhaps not all the school subjects will help us a lot.

In my opinion, school should be exactly divided on what the students want and help them to have more ideas and dreams for their future. It should not be meant to make them equal or to erase their creativity. The teachers should teach them how to pay taxes too, how to avoid some dangerous purposes, how to get a job, not just grammar or equations. Something that would be more useful in life.

First of all, I agree that the education we receive at school is the first step in a big world, full of opportunities. The teachers can't teach us just Math or English, they also teach us how to perform in some subject, how to concentrate on what we want. Sometimes we are forced to do first what the others want, and second, what we want. I can say that school education can teach us what people should avoid or follow, what we have to do to make our dreams come true, to feel satisfied on what we have done and to be competitive, to reach our goals.

Secondly, some students consider that not all the school subjects are necessary for their future and they consider them useless, but they are forced to learn at them. That's why they're not interested in all the subjects and they prefer to avoid them by going somewhere or at some other classes where there is taught what they want to study. That's why subjects which aren't so necessary at their profile should be removed and be replaced with some useful for their future. For example, for the humanist profile: more languages to study, more History whereas for the real profile: more Maths and Chemistry.

To sum up, school should teach us how to make our lives easier to pass, how to build a safe future, how to be a responsible adult, what duties are. It should introduce us in the big world we live and prepare us for all the responsibilities which will come.

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EDUCATION IN SCHOOL

In my opinion, the education students receive in school has its benefits and it's pretty important for our future. I think that going to school is important and helpful because we learn about some things, we find out new and interesting stuff and we feed our "childish" curiosity.

Moreover, the education that we receive in school can give us the opportunity to discover things about us, as persons, it can define our characters and it can help us figure out what we want to become when we grow up.

The teachers are our great trainers as they don't just teach or try to teach us a little part from all the knowledge they possess, they help us to understand ourselves, to see our abilities, to exceed, too.

In conclusion, I think that school and the education we receive here are really important, because we spend the most time of our childhood and adolescence in school and above all it's the period when we assimilate the most valuable information and when we gain some life experience.

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EDUCATION

We all live in a society which has its own set of spoken or unspoken rules, and one of them is education. Society expects you to go to school followed by college, get a job etc. Education helps you become

a useful member of this society. An educated member certainly has a greater chance to contribute to his community. Education helps you become an active member of the society and participate in the ongoing changes and developments.

Education makes you confident. If you want to be heard and taken seriously, you've got to be educated, your educational degree being considered as a proof of your knowledge.

An educated person has the ability to differentiate between right and wrong or good and evil, education saves you from being exploited and fooled. It is the foremost responsibility of a society to educate its citizens.

If you want to lead a happy life and enjoy the good things the world has to offer, you certainly need to get educated. A great job, a good social reputation are few of the many benefits of being an educated person. This is why I think that education is very important and above all the one you receive in school represents your passport to success.

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THE ROLE OF EDUCATION IN OUR LIVES

Education is the most important thing in our lives. It is the base of everything we do and everything we know so that for every event that comes in our lives we should know how to deal with it because someday someone or something taught us how .

First of all , I think that by education we get the information which is necessary for us to think on our own , and to understand life itself and what we should do with our lives , which way we should be heading to and how , and that is the main thing that we need to learn how to be able to overcome the obstacles and difficulties of life .

Secondly , if you're an educated and well- informed human being , no one can manipulate you , or make you think what he wants you to think , it makes you think things by your own and judge them correctly , it makes you an independent person , which is one of the most crucial things in our lives .

Moreover, education makes you find out things about other cultures , their habits and their way of thinking about life , it makes you discover the world , not only the tiny piece of ground you live in . It makes you discover that people , although they have different cultures , different languages , different physical appearances , are in all parts of the world the same at the important things , and that's what it makes us humans . I think that , from this reason the Comenius project is one of the most important, efficient and eye-opening educational tool around the world .

In conclusion , I think education is crucial for our lives , and reflects in a big amount what we are and how we think .

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LEARN, TRY AND WIN!

Education, a simple word with a big importance. It is the student's business card from whom people can see what kind of person is the one with whom they communicate. It has played a major role on all individuals throughout our modern society.

A big part of this, we receive in our childhood, from our parents and in school, from teachers who outline the best part of us. With an admirable education, we may be examples to people around, exactly like the teachers who are excellent examples for their students' thirst of knowledge.

Every learning cycle helps us to be prepared for the future, for the world we live in as each of them develops not only our general knowledge but it also shapes our behaviour.

I remember that in school, the teachers wanted to help us to know ourselves better. A very simple way to do this was to resolve some questionnaire about us, in the future and some kind of interactive games where we could recognize the things that we enjoyed doing. All of these were like an impulse as they prepared us to be aware of the fact that the future would be reserved for everybody if they knew what to choose as a job. For instance, through these questionnaires and games I came to realise that I am a sociable, meticulous and fearless student who could make a very good doctor, so they help me to learn more about my next job. But these qualities would not mean anything if there were not for the formal education I receive at school.

In conclusion, education is the basis of human life, both for physical and mental activities and represents the way a person develops in nowadays' society.

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HIGH SCHOOL YEARS AND EDUCATION

Can you imagine a day when you don't make new friends ? Well, this day doesn't exist, because school, especially high school can help us make new friends and new ideas for the future.

To begin with, I can state that you will realize for what high school education is important when the perfect moment for this arrives, for example when you go to university, you must choose what you want to study in order to have a good job in the future. At that moment, the student will understand that the education which we have received in school has helped us as we know exactly what we want to do and what we are passionate about.

More than this, in high school, the most important thing is to learn in general but at the subject you love in particular but at the same time it is more than all right to study at all the subjects if you are able to do this at a high level. Also, this is the period in which you learn how to take charge of your life by making your own choices.

Anyway, many students are uncertain about which path they want to follow for their future, but they should take into consideration that high school represents a time of exploration and they should take their time to see which subject is the one for them from a variety they learn every day. As a result they will know what they would like to do.

In conclusion, in high school we study a lot and spend much time learning about a career we would want to practise in the future, the perfect career for us. Thus, we will increase the chances of being hired and we will choose where we want to work for a carefree future .

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PEOPLE- THE OFFSPRING OF EDUCATION

What would our lives be without the education we receive both in school and within our family? We could not have been named human beings, as people are the only creatures on Earth who have a consciousness and rational thinking. These features have been acquired throughout thousands of years and the skills and knowledge that one generation has passed on to the next one represent the basis of their development and can be termed as education.

First of all, everything we may be at a certain moment of our existence is the result of this mixture of both informal and formal education. Whereas the former is what we have managed to comprehend from our parents' and society's input, in general, the latter refers to all the organised forms through which students gain information and certain competences in various fields of education.

Second of all, a society can not evolve without its members and the engine of its development is provided by these educated, well- rounded people whose knowledge is obtained through the earnest manifestation of the educational system. Moreover, the subjects we study at school are designed in such a way in which they give students the chance to gain not only general knowledge but also specific competences in the domain they get specialism with.

On the other hand, there are a lot of people who claim that there is too much theoretical information without the support of practice and too many hours to learn if you want to achieve something. Indeed, they may be right as to have 6 classes a day and a lot of homework to do may be a little bit overwhelming sometimes.

All things considered, education may be perceived as a means to an end as its acquisition allows you to fulfil your goals and makes you become a professional and an open-minded citizen.

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