



**THE ROLE OF THE TEACHER AND THE IMPORTANCE OF PEDAGOGICAL
SKILL IN MODERN EDUCATION**

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Abstract: *This article analyses the role of the teacher, pedagogical skill, and the importance of innovative technologies in the educational process within the modern education system. In the current era of globalisation, new challenges are being set before the education system. This, in turn, requires teachers not only to possess in-depth knowledge but also to apply modern pedagogical methods, make effective use of information and communication technologies, and foster the individual abilities of pupils. The article discusses the teacher's spiritual and educational activities, the effectiveness of interactive methods, and innovative approaches to improving the quality of education. Furthermore, the professional competence of the modern educator and their role in the upbringing of the younger generation are extensively covered.*

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Introduction. Nowadays, attention to the education system is increasing worldwide. The development of any nation depends, first and foremost, on its education system and its educated youth. For this reason, the role of the teacher in the modern education system is considered to be of paramount importance. A teacher is one of the key figures who shapes the future of society. This is because the teacher's contribution is immense in helping the younger generation to become educated, cultured, and well-rounded individuals.

The 21st century is recognised as the 'age of information technology'. Technological development is also having an impact on the education system. It is no longer sufficient to simply provide pupils with theoretical knowledge. It is also necessary to develop their independent thinking, problem-solving, creative and communication skills. The fulfilment of these tasks depends on the teacher's professional competence and their use of modern methods.

A modern educator is not just a teacher, but also a motivator, organiser, counsellor, and educator. They must study the pupils' interests and adopt an individual approach to them. At the same time, the teacher must constantly work on their professional development, learning new methods and technologies.



Characteristics of the modern education system. The current education system is fundamentally different from that of previous eras. Whereas in traditional education the teacher was central, in modern education the main focus is on the learner. The learner is no longer just a listener, but is considered an active participant. This is leading to the widespread use of interactive methods in the educational process.

One of the key features of modern education is the use of innovative technologies. Computers, the internet, multimedia tools and artificial intelligence technologies offer great potential for increasing the effectiveness of education. For example, the organisation of distance learning via online platforms has expanded learners' opportunities to acquire knowledge.

Furthermore, in the modern education system, special attention is paid to developing critical thinking and independent learning skills. This is because today, a person cannot be limited to the knowledge they acquire at school or university. They must constantly learn new things.

Such changes in the education system also demand new skills from educators. A teacher must be able to organise lessons in an engaging way, capture the students' attention, and encourage their active participation.

A Teacher's Pedagogical Skill. Pedagogical skill is one of a teacher's most important qualities. It is understood to mean a teacher's thorough knowledge of their subject, their ability to organise lessons effectively, and their capacity to establish the right relationship with pupils.

A teacher with high pedagogical skill takes into account the psychological characteristics of their pupils. As every child has different abilities and interests, an individual approach is necessary. A teacher must support the pupil, develop their abilities and increase their motivation.

Another important aspect of pedagogical skill is speech culture. A teacher's fluent and effective speech enhances pupils' interest in the lesson. Furthermore, the pedagogue's dress sense, manners, and personal example also have great educational significance.

Today, various seminars, training sessions, and professional development courses are being organised to enhance pedagogical skills. This contributes to raising the professional competence of teachers.

The Role of Innovative Technologies in Education. Innovative technologies are considered an important tool for improving the quality of education. In particular, the development of information and communication technologies has created new opportunities within the education system.

E-textbooks, virtual laboratories, online testing systems and video lessons are making the process of acquiring knowledge more convenient for students. For example, visually explaining complex topics using multimedia tools helps students to grasp the subject matter more quickly.





The widespread use of distance learning during the pandemic once again proved how important innovative technologies are. The continuation of lessons via Zoom, Google Meet and other platforms ensured the continuity of the education system.

Furthermore, artificial intelligence technologies are also entering the field of education. For example, some platforms analyse pupils' knowledge levels and recommend individualised assignments. This helps to increase the effectiveness of education.

However, for technology to be used effectively, teachers must have a high level of digital literacy. This is because technology is merely a tool, and its correct use depends on the pedagogue's skill.

The Importance of Interactive Methods. Interactive methods have become an integral part of modern education. These methods encourage pupils to participate actively in the lesson. As a result, pupils' independent thinking, communication skills and creativity are developed.

Methods such as brainstorming, clustering, mind mapping, debate, and role-playing are effective tools for making lessons engaging. For example, using the debate method develops students' critical thinking and teaches them to express their opinions freely. Through interactive methods, students not only acquire knowledge but also learn to work in a team. This is an important skill for their future careers.

Using such methods requires considerable preparation and creativity from the teacher. The teacher must plan the lesson thoroughly and be able to select methods that are appropriate for the topic.

The Teacher's Educational and Upbringing Activities. Education and upbringing are closely linked concepts. A teacher is not only a provider of knowledge but also an educator. The role of teachers in the spiritual development of the younger generation is immense.

In today's era of globalisation, it is an important task to protect young people from various harmful ideas and to instil national and universal values in them. In this regard, teachers must instil virtues such as patriotism, humanism, honesty, and responsibility in their pupils.

Furthermore, it is essential for educators to pay attention to the psychological well-being of their pupils. Sometimes a simple, kind word or a show of support can change a pupil's life. For this reason, a teacher must be kind, patient, and fair.

The teacher's personal example also has great educational significance. This is because pupils often imitate their teacher. For this reason, a teacher must always be mindful of their behaviour and conduct.

Ways to Improve the Quality of Education. Improving the quality of education is one of the most pressing issues of our time. To achieve this, it is essential to enhance the professional qualifications of teachers. Qualified educators play a crucial role in increasing the effectiveness of education.

Secondly, educational institutions must be equipped with modern technical resources. Computers, internet access and multimedia equipment help to organise the educational process effectively.





Thirdly, it is important to create conditions for pupils to receive an independent education. Access to libraries, electronic resources, and academic platforms broadens pupils' knowledge.

Furthermore, strengthening collaboration with parents also has a positive impact on the quality of education. This is because cooperation between the school and the family is crucial in a child's upbringing.

Conclusion. In conclusion, the role of the teacher in the modern education system is of paramount importance. A teacher is not only a provider of knowledge but also a figure who influences the spiritual and moral development of the younger generation. A modern teacher must be familiar with innovative technologies, utilise interactive methods, and be able to develop the individual abilities of their pupils.

Today, the development of the education system is closely linked to the professional competence of educators. Therefore, supporting teachers, enhancing their qualifications, and creating modern conditions is a crucial task.

The future generation growing up to be knowledgeable, well-rounded, and patriotic depends on teachers to a great extent. As such, raising the prestige of the teaching profession and giving teachers the recognition they deserve remains one of the top priorities for any nation.

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