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Value Education - Meaning

Value education is a teaching method that helps students develop moral, ethical, and social values, and the skills and dispositions that come with them.

The goal of value education is to help students develop a positive and responsible lifestyle

Concept of Value Education

Education is the process of learning or the acquisition of knowledge skills, values, beliefs, and habits.

Educational methods include story telling, discussion, teaching and training.

Education frequently takes place under the guidance of educator's, but learners may also educate themselves.

Education can take place in formal or informal. Education commonly is divided formally into stages such as preschool or kindergarten, primary school, secondary school and then college or University.

A right to education been recognised by some governments, including at the global level article 13 of since 1966.In many regions education is

Objectives of Value Education

1. To improve the integral growth of human being.

2. To create attitudes and improvement towards sustainable lifestyle.

3. To increase awareness about our national history, our cultural heritage, constitutional rights, national integration, community development and environment.

4. To create develop awareness about the values and their significance and role.

5. To know about various living and non-living organisms and their interaction with environment.

Needs of Value Education

Value education critically evaluate the different aims and ideals of education.

They are character building, man making, human development preparation for adult life, development of citizenship, training for international living , achieving social and national integration , scientific and technological development, education for all , equalising educational opportunities , strengthening democratic political order and human resource development.

Value education can take place at home, schools, colleges, universities, voluntary youth organisations.

Some see it as a set of values come from societal or religious avtivities or cultural ethics.

And others see it as a type of socratic dialogue where people are gradually brought to their own realisation of what is good behaviour for themselves and their community.

Value education so leads to success.

Importance of Value Education

Education has lost its true meaning. It has become a means for examination, employment instead of developing a person as a humble human being. It leads to material achievements.

The present education system is for money making rather than man making. It has become instrumental in promoting negative qualities like jealousy, instead of improving kindness, compassion and honesty.

Education is the transmission of civilization.

Education is the fundamental method of social progress and the reform. through education society can formulate its own purposes, can organise it own means and resources and thus shape itself and its economy in the direction in which it wishes to move.

Moral Value

This is the attitudes and behaviours that a society considers essential for coexistence order and general well being.

Classification of Value

Values can be classified into following categories
1. **Personal values**
2. **Family values**
3. **Social cultural values**
4. **Material values**
5. **Spiritual values**
6. **Moral values**

Basic Value of Religion

Religion can play a role in values education by helping students develop a variety of values, including:

Moral values

Critical thinking

Responsible citizenship

Pro-social values

Informed decisions

Living together

Some examples of religious values include:

Faith in God, Respect for all religions, Purity, Self-reliance, Devotion, Forgiveness, Kindness, Sacrifice, Truth, and Non-violence.