

Education: A Question of Liberty and Goodness

There exist three schools of thought about liberty in children's education. The first demands unconditional freedom, the second champions complete control, while the third demands perpetual goodness for absolute freedom. According to the author, the last theory will fail when tested because children will not always be good when free. It only provides an environment for natural growth, however, communities need science and technique, not impulses, for co-operation and survival. Similarly, it requires a pedagogy of kindness and control, which cannot be generated through unrefined methods. Hence, education should create mental and moral capabilities with growth opportunities.

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Word Count Pre-10: 100

Reading Comprehension:

Q1: Happiness is fundamental to life; humans have long worked tirelessly to ~~try~~ ensure its continuity. For long, more ^{access to} goods and services was equated to a happier life, however, the 2012 Happy Planet Index (HPI) revealed that the most affluent people of North America and Europe were, in fact, not the happiest. This showed that wealth and happiness are not necessarily correlated, and rather "less is more" as shown by philosophers like "Voluntary Simplicity" ensures peace, space and in turn, happiness.

Q7 Translation:

The Sage told there is a mountain near the jungle, on which grows a flower whose fragrances causes lost eye sight to return. But the mountain is very high and it has alot of peaks, thorns, bushes and big boulders that obstruct the path. Many a people have come and gone to climb the mountain, but no person has reached the flower. Perhaps that is why there is sadness and pain in the world and man is in the search of light.

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The Failure of Unrelatable Ads

Television ads seem funny and disgusting simultaneously due to the wide gap between their idealized depictions and mundane realities. Be it drinks causing goals, non-use of shampoo causing social distancing or managers running after cooks; the ads are unrealistic. Especially the portrayal of nuptial relationships in danger either due to a panicky wife or a finicky husband over messy clothes or a bad coffee. The author questions advertisers' awareness of customers and subsequent spending of budgets on such ads, which fail to promote the product. Number of views could be an encouraging factor to hire these advertisers; however, these ads get watched either for a laugh or due to the inability of skipping.

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