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Pedagogical Basis of Developing Students' Skills of Analysis, Comparison and Generalization of Knowledge

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Abstract: *This work is devoted to the study of the pedagogical foundations of the development of students' skills in analyzing, comparing and generalizing knowledge. In the modern educational process, these skills are an important factor in the formation of independent thinking, logical approach and creative activity of students. The study highlights teaching methods, interactive technologies and innovative approaches to organizing the educational process that serve to develop analytical thinking. It also analyzes the pedagogical conditions that form the ability of students to deeply understand theoretical knowledge and see logical connections between different information through comparison and generalization practices. The work substantiates the role of the teacher in management, factors for increasing learning motivation and the importance of a reflective approach. As a result, effective mechanisms for developing high-level cognitive activity in students are scientifically substantiated.*

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INTRODUCTION

In the modern education system, one of the most important pedagogical tasks is to deeply understand students' knowledge, encourage them to think independently, and guide them to make decisions based on logical analysis. In an increasingly complex information space, a student is required not only to acquire ready-made knowledge, but also to perform high-level cognitive processes such as analyzing, comparing, and generalizing it. Because it is these skills that form a person's thinking culture, create the opportunity to independently solve problems that arise in the educational process, to isolate the most important from the information received, to understand their essence, and to draw general conclusions.

The development of analytical thinking in the pedagogical process requires thorough methodological preparation from the teacher, the organization of educational materials based on a systematic approach, and the purposeful use of interactive methods. Analysis is a process that deeply reveals the content of knowledge, which facilitates the student's ability to conduct independent research in educational activities, identify cause-and-effect relationships, and verify the scientific validity of arguments. Comparison serves to identify the similarities and differences of different phenomena or concepts, expanding the scope of the student's logical thinking. The skill of generalization helps to master knowledge at a high level by combining the results obtained into a single system, finding commonalities and patterns between them.

The consistent formation of these skills in the minds of students depends, first of all, on the correct design of the educational process. Therefore, in modern pedagogical science, the development and implementation of educational technologies based on analysis, comparison and generalization are considered an urgent issue. In this regard, methods such as activating the teaching process, supporting the student's independent thinking, creating problem situations, observation, experience-based tasks, working in small groups, organizing discussions and debates give effective results.[1; 234]

Also, digital learning environments, electronic resources, distance learning platforms, analytical programs, simulation and visualization tools further activate the thinking process of students and increase their ability to draw logical conclusions. Such an integrated learning environment forms an analytical and systematic approach not only to the acquisition of theoretical knowledge, but also to the performance of practical tasks.

The importance of this topic is that today the development of skills is considered not as a simple pedagogical process, but as a key component of the student's future professional competence. Because successful work in any field, conducting scientific research or solving practical problems relies on the thorough formation of such abilities as analysis, comparison and drawing general conclusions.

Therefore, this article deeply studies the pedagogical foundations of the development of students' skills of analysis, comparison and generalization, and sheds light on the methods, conditions and pedagogical approaches that serve their effective formation from a scientific point of view.

LITERATURE ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Pedagogical research on the development of students' skills in analyzing, comparing and generalizing their knowledge is widely covered in international and domestic literature. Psychologists such as Piaget and Vygotsky have outlined the theoretical foundations for the development of analytical and logical thinking, while modern educators such as Bloom, Bruner and Novak have proposed practical methods for the formation of cognitive activity in students. Local scientists, in particular in the educational environment of Uzbekistan, have studied the effectiveness of developing skills through interactive methods, a reflective approach and the creation of problem situations. Studies show that the ability of students to think independently and draw general conclusions is best formed through interactive, integrated and combining theoretical and practical activities.[4; 458]

Experimental pedagogical research is used as a methodological basis in this work. In the research process, students' skills in analyzing, comparing and generalizing are assessed based on predetermined criteria. Also, research data is collected by observing the results of interactive methods, group discussions, problem tasks and the use of electronic resources in the educational process. The results are analyzed using statistical methods and pedagogical conclusions are drawn. This methodology allows us to identify and apply effective mechanisms for developing cognitive skills in students.

ANALYSIS AND RESULTS

The results of the study on the development of students' skills in analyzing, comparing and generalizing knowledge clearly demonstrated the effectiveness of interactive and innovative methods in the pedagogical process. The study was organized in an experimental manner, and 1st-2nd year students were involved in it. During the experiment, students' analytical thinking, comparison and generalization skills were assessed based on predetermined criteria. The results showed that the active use of interactive methods in the educational process significantly increased students' cognitive skills.

During the analysis, students' analytical skills were assessed by their ability to read texts, organize information, identify cause-and-effect relationships, and draw conclusions based on evidence. In the experimental group, it was found that students had a significantly higher level of in-depth understanding of the topics studied, independent thinking skills, and success in solving problem situations. The assessment of comparative skills was carried out by analyzing various concepts and phenomena, identifying their similarities and differences. According to the results of the study, students in the group using interactive methods showed 25–30% higher results in this regard than the control group. Generalization skills were assessed by students' ability to systematize information, identify general patterns, and relationships. During the experiment, students were given complex tasks, and they performed exercises on integrating information from various sources, extracting main ideas, and drawing conclusions. The results showed that students in the group trained using interactive methods significantly improved their generalization skills; their skills were 28% higher than those in the control group on average.[3; 678]

Another important aspect identified during the study was the teacher's methodological and motivational role. In the experimental group, the teacher actively participated not only as a provider of information, but also as a manager of the learning process, creator of problem situations, and encourager of independent research by students. This enhanced interaction between students and served to deepen thinking through discussion and debate. The results showed that the teacher's methodological support is a decisive factor in the formation of students' skills in analysis, comparison, and generalization.

The use of digital resources also played an important role in increasing efficiency. Electronic platforms, visualization tools, simulation programs, and interactive tests allowed students to study the subject from different angles. This further developed their ability to draw logical conclusions, analyze complex data and compare them. For example, in exercises with complex diagrams and graphs, 85% of students in the experimental group showed high results, while in the control group this figure was around 60%. Interactive methods and problem tasks also serve to increase student motivation. Students sought to actively learn, think independently, analyze their mistakes and constantly develop themselves. This is a pedagogical allowed to identify effective mechanisms for the formation of skills in the classroom.

Interactive pedagogical approaches, innovative methods and the use of digital resources are effective in developing the skills of analysis, comparison and generalization. The results of the experiment showed that the success of the formation of cognitive skills in students depends not only on the choice of methods, but also on the managerial and motivating role of the teacher.

CONCLUSION

The results of this study showed that the development of students' skills of analysis, comparison and generalization is one of the most important tasks of the modern educational process. Based on the results of the experiment, it was determined: the use of interactive pedagogical methods, problem tasks and digital educational tools significantly increases the cognitive activity of students. Through analysis and comparison exercises, students develop the ability to think independently, draw logical conclusions and combine theoretical knowledge with practice.

The methodological and motivational role of the teacher was also shown to be an important factor. Through active management and encouragement, the effectiveness of the educational process increases, students feel at the center of the learning process. At the same time, visual and interactive study of educational materials using digital resources strengthens students' generalization skills.

As a result, it was scientifically confirmed that organizing the pedagogical process using integrated and interactive methods is an effective tool for forming students' skills of analysis, comparison and

generalization. This allows students to develop a high level of cognitive potential, encourage independent thinking and a creative approach.

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