



The Factors that Influence Student Motivation and Enthusiasm for Learning, Case Study at Nurul Huda Islamic Junior High School, West Java Indonesia

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Abstract

The purpose of this research is to find out the factors that can influence the motivation and enthusiasm of students to study at school. The study was conducted on students of Madrasah Tsanawiyah Nurul Huda Tegel Gede. This research method uses a qualitative approach with interviews, observation and literature review. The research subjects were Grade 8 students with a total of 46 students. The results of the research show that the factors that influence student motivation and enthusiasm for learning are (1) there is someone that students like that they are trying to impress: 43.48%; (2) students actually want to gain knowledge: 34.78%; (3) students get pocket money if they go to school: 17.38%; and (4) students can play with their friends if they go to school: 4.35%. The analysis of the results of this study is: Allah created men and women to know each other and this influences the students' motivation and enthusiasm for learning. Allah has regulated the etiquette of association with the opposite gender.

Keywords: The Factors, Motivation and Enthusiasm For Learning

INTRODUCTION

Education is a learning activity carried out on a scheduled basis accompanied by organized material. According to the Big Indonesian Dictionary published by Balai Pustaka, it is explained that the word education comes from the basic word "didik" or "educate" which means to maintain and provide teachings, guidance or leadership regarding morals and intelligence of the mind. The main aim of education is to develop human intellectual potential so that they have the ability to think well and mastery in certain fields of science so they can face the life challenges that arise in society. (Suhartono, 2007).

Education is one of the means to educate the nation's life so that it can face the progress of the times. Based on the Constitution of the Republic of Indonesia no. 20 of 2003 concerning the national education system in article 1 paragraph 1. Education is a conscious and planned effort to create a learning atmosphere and learning process so that students actively develop their potential to have religious spiritual strength, self-control, personality, intelligence, noble morals, and skills needed by himself, society, nation and state. Education has a very important role for society, not only providing educational knowledge but also cultivating us into mature individuals who can plan for the future and make the right decisions in life. (Juraid, 2020).

Education is not only seen as an effort to provide information and skill formation, but is expanded to include efforts to realize individual needs and abilities in order to achieve a better



personal and social lifestyle. Education is also not only a means for preparing for life in the future, but also for life now where everything that happens in life is learning for the future.

It is understood that education and science are very important for human survival. With education and knowledge, humans will be more focused because they know what is right, what is wrong and what brings benefits and what brings harm. Even in the Al-Quran it is stated that seeking knowledge is very important for every human being, because humans who have knowledge are said to have a high degree.

As explained in Q.S Al-Mujadalah ayat 11,

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِذَا قِيلَ لَكُمْ تَفَسَّحُوا فِي الْمَجَالِسِ فَافْسَحُوا يَفْسَحِ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ وَإِذَا قِيلَ ادْنُوا فأنشروا

فأنشروا يرفع الله الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ دَرَجَاتٍ وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرٌ

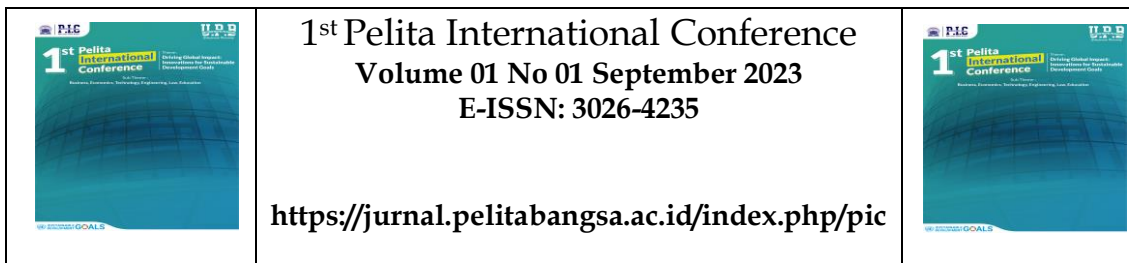
" O you who believe! If it is said to you, "Give spaciousness to the assemblies," then make that spaciousness, Allah will surely make room for you. And when it is said, "Stand up," then stand up, Allah will raise (grades) those who believe among you and those who are given knowledge by degrees. And Allah is All-Knowing of what you do."

From Q.S Al-Mujadalah ayat 11 It can be concluded that people who have the highest rank in the sight of Allah SWT are people who believe and have knowledge. Then, the knowledge is put into practice according to what Allah SWT and His Messenger commanded. Then Allah SWT emphasized that He is All-Knowing of everything that humans do, nothing is hidden from Him.

In general, education is divided into 3, namely informal, formal and non-formal education. The most important education is the informal or family environment, because every individual gets his first education, of course, from his parents, because the mother is the madrasah or the first teacher for her children. And if in the family the child is educated properly, the impact is that the child becomes an individual who has a sense of courtesy and has an honest nature. Furthermore, children will enter formal education, namely education that is structured and has levels. Formal education is pursued starting from basic education, junior high school, high school then continued with lectures. And the third is non-formal education, namely education that is not structured, the learning time is also flexible, for example education such as reciting the Koran or reading the Al-Qur'an and tutoring courses or lessons.

In learning at school, students must have factors that influence their enthusiasm for learning. In the Big Indonesian Dictionary, a factor is something (circumstances, events) that contributes to (influences) the occurrence of something. Factors can also mean influences that make someone excited in carrying out something that is done. Many factors influence motivation and enthusiasm for learning, including internal and external factors. Internal factors are factors that exist within individuals who are learning. Internal factors include: physical factors and psychological factors. While external factors are factors that come from outside such as the family environment, school or community.

Motivation comes from the Latin (movemore) which means encouragement or driving. Motivation is something that influences human behavior as a driving force, desire, support or need that can make a person enthusiastic to fulfill his/her own impulses, so that he/she can act and behave in a certain way that will lead to an optimal direction. In the Big Indonesian Dictionary, the word motivation means "an urge that arises within a person consciously or unconsciously to carry out an action with a certain goal". According to Uno (2008), motivation is



a condition that exists in a person where there is an urge to do something to achieve a goal. (Riadi, 2021).

Research conducted by (Suari, in 2022) on "Analysis of factors that influence students' learning motivation towards science learning" in this research an analysis was carried out first and six points were found that motivate students in learning including the desire and desire to learn, the encouragement and need to learn, the hope and aspirations for the future, there is appreciation in learning, there are interesting activities in learning, and there is a conducive learning environment.

As for other research conducted by Angraini (2016) about "Analysis of Factors Influencing Economics Learning Outcomes for Class XI IPS". This study shows that there are internal and external factors that affect student learning outcomes. Internal factors that influence learning outcomes consist of interest, motivation, attention to learning and readiness to learn, while external factors consist of teacher teaching methods, classrooms (facilities) and social friends. The dominant factors that influence learning outcomes are interest and motivation to learn with the same percentage of 23.4%. While the factor that has the least influence on learning outcomes is the class factor, which is equal to 4.3%.

Motivation to learn is the main factor so that students are active in learning and can participate in learning well, and learning objectives can be achieved by obtaining optimal results. According to (Suryana, 2014) learning motivation is a power (motivational power), driving force (driving force); or a tool to build a strong will and desire in students to learn actively, creatively, effectively, innovatively and funly in the context of changing behavior in cognitive, affective and psychomotor aspects. Because learning motivation is very important in the learning process, research is needed regarding what supporting factors make students enthusiastic about learning. The aim of this research is to determine the factors that influence students' motivation and enthusiasm for learning in class VIII Madrasah Tsanawiyah Nurul Huda Tegal Gede, South Cikarang, Bekasi Regency, West Java.

RESEARCH METHODS

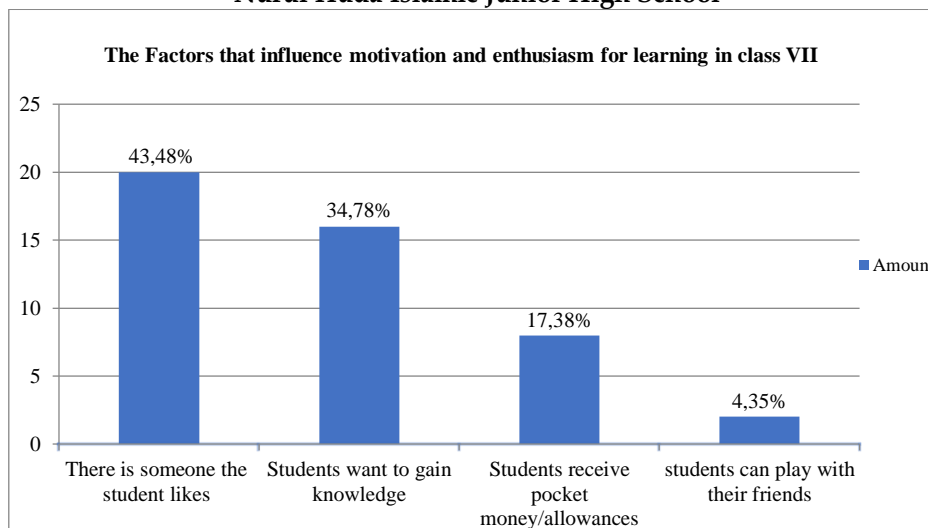
This type of research uses qualitative methods, using interview techniques, observation and literature study. Erikson explained that qualitative research aims to discover and describe narratively a person's actions and the impact of these actions on their life. Based on Ibrahim (2018) A qualitative approach is a research method that focuses on in-depth data aspects to obtain the quality of the research conducted. A qualitative approach uses descriptive words or sentences, starting with data collection and ending with interpretation and reporting of research results. This statement is in line with opinion Yusuf (2017) who said that qualitative research places great emphasis on finding meaning, understanding, concepts, characteristics, symptoms, symbols, or descriptions of natural events which are then presented in the form of words.

The subjects used to obtain data on factors that influence Motivation and Enthusiasm for Learning were class VIII students at Madrasah Tsanawiyah Nurul Huda, totaling 46 students. Research data was obtained using one-on-one interviews with students, direct observation techniques and literature studies to add other supporting data.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The research was carried out on Wednesday 23 August 2023 in class VIII of Nurul Huda Islamic Junior High School located on Jl. Tegal Gede Industrial Area, Pasirsari, South Cikarang, Bekasi Regency, West Java 17530.

Table. 1 Data on Factors That Influence Motivation and Enthusiasm of Class VIII Students of Nurul Huda Islamic Junior High School



Based on the picture in table 1 above, it can be seen that the factor that influences students' motivation and enthusiasm for learning is because there is someone the student likes: 43.48% of students want to gain knowledge: 34.78% of students receive pocket money/allowances: 17.38 % and students can play with their friends: 4.35%.

Discussion of research results

Based on the analysis of class VIII interviews at Madrasah Tsanawiyah Nurul Huda regarding the factors that influence students' motivation and enthusiasm for learning, there are four indicators: because there are people the students like; students want to gain knowledge; students can get pocket money; and because students can hangout with friends-her friend.

The first factor: there is someone the student likes, the data obtained is 43.48%. This is the highest factor. In Islam, like or love is a human nature, as long as it is not accompanied by dirty thoughts that lead to something that Allah has forbidden. So if we love him but there is no halal bond, it is better to fast/hold back the feeling until we are united in a halal bond (Novitasari, 2018). As for the factor of having a high sense of enthusiasm for learning when you see or meet someone you like, according to medical science, when we are in love, the hormone oxytocin increases which makes us enthusiastic about carrying out life activities. During school, maybe one of them can make someone enthusiastic about learning (Kirana, 2021).

The second factor is that students want to gain knowledge. Data obtained was 34.78%, which is the second largest percentage of data in this research. Increasing knowledge is definitely an encouragement from within him and students who are enthusiastic about learning because they want to increase their knowledge, of course they always feel thirsty for knowledge and it is not easy for them to feel bored or lazy (Masitah, 2022).

The third factor is that students want to get pocket money, the data obtained is 17.38%. This third factor is related to external support, namely from parents who provide pocket money so that their children are enthusiastic about studying. Pocket money is a basic need for children at school age, where with pocket money it is hoped that it can contribute more to the smooth running of children in the learning process (Wahyu Dwi Cahyo, 2016).



And the last factor obtained in this research is that students can play with their friends, data obtained was 4.35%. Motivation is a very influential factor so that the learning process produces the best results. Playing with friends can certainly raise students' enthusiasm to understand the lessons given. According to Helda, 2017 (a teacher at MTsN 4 Tabalong) by using the learning while playing method students can gain a much deeper understanding of the material being studied because of the stimulation from their friends.

Of the four factors that influence student motivation and enthusiasm for learning, there are internal and external factors that influence student enthusiasm for learning. The internal factor is 34.78%, namely students want to have knowledge, the feeling of wanting to have knowledge certainly comes from within, such as students becoming more diligent and enthusiastic about learning. And the external factor is 43.48%, namely because there is someone the student likes. During adolescence, a support system is really needed to support children's psychology, one of the support systems is from parents and peers.

Research Analysis

Allah created male and female to know each other

In the Q.S Al-Hujurat ayat 13 Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala says:

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ إِنَّا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ وَأُنْثَىٰ وَجَعَلْنَاكُمْ شُعُوبًا وَقَبَائِلَ لِتَعَارَفُوا ۗ إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ
عِنْدَ اللَّهِ أَتْقَاكُمْ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ خَبِيرٌ

" O people! Verily We created you from a male and a female, then We made you nations and tribes so that you may know one another. Indeed, the noblest person among you in the sight of Allah is the one who is most pious. Indeed, Allah is All-Knowing, All-Knowing."

On Q.S Al-Hujurat ayat 13 explains that humans are created with diversity. One example is gender differences, personality differences, ethnic and national differences.

The sentence "know each other" in the verse above has a meaning because of differences, so humans are encouraged to know each other, know each other, and understand these differences well. Don't forget to learn from each other and learn about these differences. Because people can learn more and expand their knowledge. The reason differences are often called a gift is because life looks more beautiful with diversity. We can imagine if God created all humans the same, then life would look monotonous.

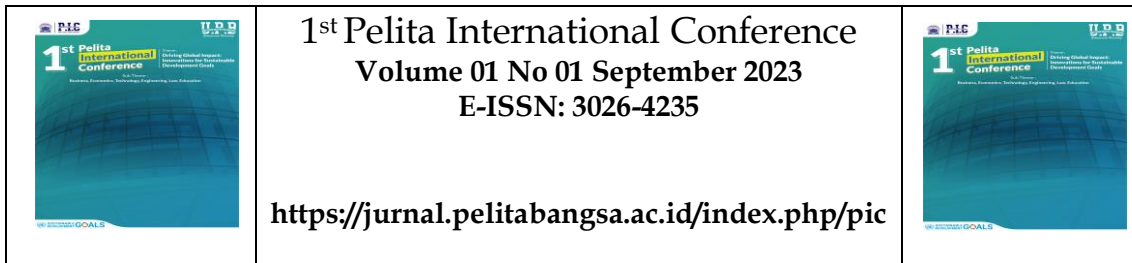
Allah has regulated the etiquette of association with the opposite gender

Islam is a religion that regulates all aspects of life, including relationships. Good relationships are clearly recommended in the Qur'an and Hadith. In Islam it is not free for women to associate with men as they wish, there are etiquette and rules that must be obeyed, especially socializing with members of the opposite gender who are not their mahram. Among the rules are:

Lowering your gaze (Gadhul Bashar). Allah SWT commands us to lower our gaze towards something that we fear will cause something bad. What has been explained in the Qur'an:

" Say to men who believe, so that they guard their eyes, and guard their private parts; it is holier for them. Surely Allah is Aware of what they do. And say to the believing women, that they guard their eyes, and guard their private parts, and do not reveal their ornaments, except those which are (normally) visible. And let them cover their breasts with their headscarves, and do not show their jewelry (private part)" (QS. An-Nur 24: Ayat 30-31).

Dress Politely. Allah SWT has explained the function of clothing in the Qur'an :



يَا بَنِي آدَمَ قَدْ أَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْكُمْ لِبَاسًا يُؤَارِي سَوْآتِكُمْ وَرِيشًا وَلِبَاسُ التَّقْوَىٰ ذَٰلِكَ خَيْرٌ ۗ

ذَٰلِكَ مِنْ آيَاتِ اللَّهِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَذَّكَّرُونَ

" O descendant of Adam! Verily, We have provided clothing to cover your nakedness and as an ornament for you. But pious clothes are better. Those are some of the signs of Allah's power, may they remember it.."

(QS. Al-A'raf 7: Ayat 26).

Therefore, we must wear the best clothes possible, so that in our attitudes and movements we do not cause temptation to other people and by wearing clothes that comply with the norms we can also protect ourselves, especially for women who are required to wear closed clothes.

Having Shyness. According to Ibn Daqiq al-Id, he stated in Shar al-Umdah that the meaning of shame is to prevent and restrain. Therefore, prevention includes the consequences of shame and the suggestion to have shame is a motivation to prevent disgraceful actions.

Avoid Sinful Actions. Sin comes from the word "Dzanbun", the plural form of "Dzunuubun" which means sin. Immoral acts that must be abandoned, especially by women, include (1) Avoiding contact with people who are not their mahram. (2) Prohibition of being alone or alone with people who are not mahrams. (3) The prohibition of tabarruj is like excessive decoration.

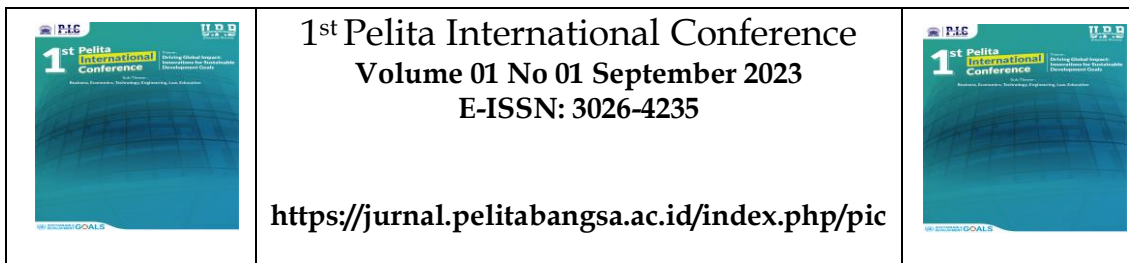
CONCLUSION

Based on the results of the research and discussion that has been carried out, it can be concluded that there are 4 indicators of factors that influence student motivation and enthusiasm for learning, namely because there is someone students like, because they want to gain knowledge, because they want to get pocket money from parents and because you can while playing with friends.

Based on the results of research analysis regarding (1) Allah created men and women to know each other because humans are social creatures where there is diversity (personality, character, ethnicity, etc.) in their lives and the function of getting to know each other. The other is so that fellow human beings can respect each other and can humanize each other because of diversity or differences. And (2) Allah has regulated manners in interacting with the opposite genders, namely that it is explained that humans are encouraged to get to know each other, but this must be accompanied by norms or rules that have been established by Allah SWT. Moreover, those who are not mahram must obey His rules or prohibitions. This social etiquette aims so that even though men and women can get to know each other, they must remain within the appropriate limits set by Allah SWT.

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