EDUCATION: ITS MEANING AND IMPORTANCE
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Education refers to the systematic process of teaching, training and guiding students to acquire knowledge, skills and understanding through practical experience or a deep study on a subject. Education may be in the form of studies at school or it may be acquired through real-life working experiences. Hence, education refers to the process of learning or knowing something valuable and the knowledge or skill that is acquired in the process.

The importance of education in our life is that a well-planned system of education helps a child develop his/her intellect. A child or student develops eagerness to listen to what the teacher says. He/she tries to understand what the teacher said. The student may also develop the power of retention by trying to remember of what he/she have learned. He/she also learned to discuss on a subject matter and learn to acquire full knowledge of the lessons. Another importance of education in our life is that education imparts discipline in a person. Every student is expected to behave according to the pre-defined code of conduct of the school. Education also encourages taking a broad view of life. It enables an individual to look at things from others point of view as well. It helps a person to settle conflicts and take a broader view of life. Helping people to earn is also one of the importance of education. The material needs of life such as food, clothing and shelter. Educated people gets better career opportunities. This enables a person to fulfill the material needs of himself and his family. Another importance of education is it lays the foundation for a social being. Human beings love the company of other human beings. They cannot survive alone; every person on earth should follow social norms. They should be ready to help each other. Education helps in the development of a person in relation to the society in which he/she is born and brought up. Lastly, education builds character, moral values and personality of a man. It is also one of the importance of education. A person with a good character and a high moral value always respects and takes care of others. He/she is always ready to help those in need.

Indeed, learning is a lifelong process. Let us keep in our minds all the importance of education stated above. Self-learning begins at a point where institutional education ends. The process of self-learning continues throughout one's life.

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