

9) evaluate learners' learning [3].

In conclusion it should be noted that teacher's creative work and enthusiasm, the use of proper teaching techniques and materials, pleasant work environment promote learners' motivation increase to master the foreign language which they study.

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Some Current Tendencies of Higher Education in Russia

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*Educating the mind without educating the heart
is no education at all
Aristotle*

In the development of ethnology and disciplines related with it there were various concepts. Some of them have completely lost their scientific influence while others are still of great current interest. There is no doubt that the relation of ethnology and pedagogy is one of the strongest. In this paper we are going to highlight some issues of Russian education.

Education is the harmony of originality and universality, cultural thought identity and at the same time openness to new ideas. It is known that modern stage of cultural development does not have any adequate educational system. Present educational programs are aimed at knowledge transfer and underestimate human's spiritual and moral sides.

However, there are some global positive tendencies. For example, Russian education is directed at student's individuality regard, spiritual self-determination. Assuredly, these tasks are mainly realized through humanitarian programs and extracurricular activities. Accordingly these programs:

- consider age peculiarities;
- expand consciousness horizons;
- develop cultural values;
- provide the sense of ownership to national history;
- inculcate tolerance;
- give spiritual guidelines;
- develop self-discipline, self-assessment;
- promote lifelong learning;
- realize educational and teaching functions.

Moreover, a lot of attention is paid to the upbringing and education of people who are able to see the problems of the country, design their future in the context of the country development.

Thus education is effective only if it is able to awaken human in a person, his spirituality, will and wish for self-development, interest for self-actualization and self-determination.

To the Issue of Psychological Barriers Overcoming in Learning a Foreign Language

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Recently, English has become very popular due to increased international communication. It is already recognized as the language of professional communication in different spheres of activity and the emergence of computers has put it to the use in a special position compared with other languages [2]. Now there are so many ways to communicate with other countries, but in spite of this only a small percentage of young people in our society communicates with their peers abroad. A lot of people are not used to communicating with foreigners.