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INTEGRATION OF ROBOTICS ELEMENTS INTO TECHNOLOGY LESSONS IN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Abstract: This article explores the importance of integrating robotics elements into Technology lessons in primary school education. It highlights how basic robotics activities can enhance students' understanding of technological concepts through practical, hands-on learning. The study emphasizes that introducing robotics at an early age supports the development of creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving abilities, and teamwork skills among young learners. The paper also discusses the positive impact of robotics-based learning on students' motivation and engagement. By working with simple robotic models and interactive tasks, pupils become more active participants in the learning process, which improves their cognitive development and practical skills. In addition, the research points out that such integration helps students connect theoretical knowledge with real-life applications.

Keywords: Robotics education, primary school, Technology subject, hands-on learning, STEM education, student engagement, creativity development, critical thinking, problem-solving skills, 21st-century skills, interactive learning, educational technology, early education, practical learning, digital literacyl.

Introduction

In recent years, education systems around the world have been rapidly evolving due to technological progress and the growing demand for digital skills. One of the most important innovations in modern education is the integration of robotics into the learning process, especially at the primary school level. Robotics provides students with practical opportunities to explore technology in an interactive and engaging way, making abstract concepts easier to understand.

The Technology subject in primary education plays a key role in developing students' basic technical knowledge and practical skills. By introducing robotics elements into this subject, teachers can create a more dynamic and student-centered learning environment. This approach helps young learners develop curiosity, creativity, and problem-solving abilities from an early age. Moreover, robotics-based learning

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supports the development of essential 21st-century skills such as collaboration, logical thinking, and innovation. It encourages students to learn through experimentation, allowing them to test ideas, make mistakes, and improve their solutions.

Therefore, integrating robotics elements into Technology lessons is not only an educational innovation but also a necessary step toward preparing students for a technology-driven future.

Literature Review

The integration of robotics in primary education has gained increasing attention in recent educational research. Many scholars emphasize that robotics-based learning is an effective approach for developing students' cognitive, technical, and social skills from an early age.

According to studies in STEM education, robotics helps bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application. Researchers such as Bers (2018) highlight that children learn better when they are actively engaged in constructing and programming simple robotic models, as this process enhances problem-solving and logical thinking skills. Similarly, Papert's constructionism theory supports the idea that learners build knowledge more effectively through hands-on activities and real-world interaction. Other studies show that robotics integration improves students' motivation and classroom engagement. For example, Alimisis (2013) found that robotics activities increase learners' interest in science and technology subjects by making learning more interactive and enjoyable. This leads to higher participation and improved academic performance. In addition, group-based robotics tasks promote collaboration and communication skills. Students learn how to share ideas, divide responsibilities, and work as a team to achieve common goals. This supports the development of social and emotional competencies, which are essential in primary education.

However, some researchers also point out challenges such as lack of resources, insufficient teacher training, and high costs of robotics kits. These limitations can reduce the effectiveness of robotics integration in schools if not properly addressed.

Methodology

This study uses a qualitative research approach to investigate the integration of robotics elements into Technology lessons in primary school education. The main purpose of the methodology is to examine how robotics-based activities influence students' learning outcomes, engagement, and skill development.

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The research was conducted through classroom observation, analysis of lesson plans, and review of students' practical activities. Technology lessons were designed to include simple robotics tasks such as building basic models, connecting components, and performing guided programming activities. These tasks were adapted according to the age and cognitive level of primary school students. Participants of the study included primary school students and their Technology teachers. Teachers were observed during lesson delivery to evaluate their methods of integrating robotics elements, while students' responses, participation, and performance were carefully analyzed. Data collection was carried out using observation checklists, informal interviews with teachers, and evaluation of students' completed projects. The collected data were then analyzed to identify patterns in students' engagement, creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving abilities. The study also considered key factors such as availability of teaching materials, classroom conditions, and teacher preparedness, as these directly influence the effectiveness of robotics integration.

Discussion

The findings of this study indicate that integrating robotics elements into Technology lessons in primary school has a positive impact on students' learning process and skill development. The results show that when students are involved in hands-on robotics activities, their engagement, motivation, and understanding of technological concepts significantly increase.

One of the key outcomes is the improvement of students' problem-solving abilities. During robotics tasks, learners are required to think logically, test different solutions, and correct their mistakes. This process helps them develop critical thinking skills that are essential for both academic success and real-life situations. Another important observation is the development of teamwork and communication skills. Group-based robotics activities encourage students to share ideas, divide tasks, and cooperate to achieve common goals. This not only improves social interaction but also builds a sense of responsibility and collaboration among learners.

However, the study also reveals several challenges. Limited access to robotics equipment, lack of teacher training, and insufficient lesson time can reduce the effectiveness of implementation. These factors suggest that successful integration requires proper planning, institutional support, and continuous professional development for teachers. Despite these challenges, the overall results confirm that robotics integration makes Technology lessons more interactive, practical, and meaningful. It transforms traditional teaching methods into student-centered learning

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experiences, where learners actively construct knowledge rather than passively receive it.

Conclusion

This study concludes that the integration of robotics elements into Technology lessons in primary school significantly enhances the quality of education and supports the development of essential skills in young learners. The findings clearly show that robotics-based learning makes lessons more interactive, practical, and engaging compared to traditional teaching methods.

Through robotics activities, students develop important competencies such as critical thinking, problem-solving, creativity, teamwork, and responsibility. These skills are not only important for academic success but also for preparing learners for future technological and professional challenges. The study also confirms that hands-on learning experiences increase students' motivation and active participation in the classroom. When learners are given the opportunity to build, test, and improve robotic models, they become more confident and independent in their learning process. However, the effectiveness of robotics integration depends on several important factors, including teacher preparedness, availability of resources, and proper lesson planning. Without these conditions, the full educational potential of robotics may not be achieved.

In conclusion, integrating robotics elements into primary school Technology education is a modern and effective approach that supports both cognitive and personal development. Therefore, it is recommended to strengthen teacher training programs, improve learning resources, and promote the use of innovative teaching methods in schools.

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