



The power of knowledge: A mini review

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ABSTRACT

Knowledge is familiarity or understanding of something or someone through experience. Gaining knowledge is acquiring information, skills or facts through education, experience or through other means of understanding. This article gives information on this topic in a way to impart more knowledge about this topic and also bring more understanding of the subject matter. This review provides the basic definition of knowledge and the power that knowledge commands. Moreover, the review gives a clear description of how knowledge is resourceful in an individual point of view. Also, the text has described the relationship between knowledge and technology.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Knowledge is familiarity or understanding of something or someone through experience. Gaining knowledge is acquiring information, skills or facts through education, experience or through other means of understanding. It is a sum of what is known or familiarity of someone's background or situation. Most successful people in life have proven to have the knowledge and skills that they require to get the success. Therefore, for personal growth and success, education comes in handy, and it has proven to be very helpful to achieve personal desire¹. On that note, knowledge helps a lot in developing the human-to-human interactions, behavioral perfection and also in the shaping of values and personality. Shaping our character helps a lot in helping us understand ourselves better and in this way we can understand our strengths and weaknesses. In this article, we will get to look into the power that knowledge commands and the role it has played in the development of skills. More so, we will look at how knowledge has helped in the world in the way of advancement of technology and making the world a better place².

Knowledge has proven to be higher than physical strength because the great works that have been done must have an input of enormous amounts of experience. Using knowledge man can develop since knowledge can cause development, unlike physical strength. Knowledge has no limits and no end. Each day someone will be required to learn new things and new skills to be better. Skills development in the mind of human beings is a great preoccupation among the developed countries because it holds great promises for power and discernment. The realization of this power has made human nature begin to improve, and it has also made him discover many things³.

2. DISCUSSION

Knowledge is power, and since it is a power, it commands prime responsibility for use correctly and appropriately. Just like any other form of control, it can be subjected to use for the right intentions or the worse. For instance, during the world war, the countries with greater knowledge over the others used it as an advantage in order to overcome them and control them. In developed countries, the ideological environment represents an edge beyond the limits in matters concerning technology, science, and social life. The developed nations are always competing against each other in a process to prove which country has knowledgeable citizens⁴.

Technological supremacy is a never-ending battle, and as long as it is there, advancements and new inventions will always be there. This competition for supremacy is a way of pushing the countries to the limits. It is very rare that one country will sit above the others concerning technological advantage over the others for an extended period.

However, skills are brought in to distinguish between good and bad intentions. The fundamental objective of the discernment is to put ideas in other people's mind and also be able to utilize their ideas. This way the skills and potential become of much importance in avoiding disadvantage and giving the full advantage. These skills are later harnessed to take upon the human race by the commercial forces to make life easy, have more advancement in technology and also to convince other people to get superiority and power. Ideas are primarily in the mind of a knowledgeable person. Here, they keep on reoccurring, and if not well tamed, they can manipulate your mind.

Moreover, if you fail to distinguish the ideas from your thoughts, they may influence you. You will thereby make decisions that you would not have made since they will not be of the best interest to you. On the other hand, the power of inspiration comes from

knowledge. Motivation is immune to persuasion, and it cannot be influenced. Learning cannot be effective in changing someone's perspective, experience or their understanding.

In science, the process of is in such a way that it builds knowledge and makes predictions that are easily tested. Presence of previous ideas helps in developing expertise and thus makes it continuously grow. Several characteristics play a significant role in the buildup of knowledge in the science world. These are objectivity, exploration, reliability, precision, accuracy, and verifiability⁵.

In a nutshell, knowledge brings about power, and many are quick to misuse this power. This power should not be harmful in such a way that it will enable unjust ruling. It should be a power that is peaceful and brings people together by bringing positivity among the people. Knowledge brings independence among the people and helps them think for themselves. Using knowledge, therefore, we can make our judgments by assessing our situations without having to count on what other people have to say.

Furthermore, while the human race is astonished by its advancement in science and technology, it is yet to learn that higher powers exist in knowledge. Self-sufficiency is important in creating inner stability plus also bringing authenticity in the human race. Lack of this will bring chaos and disruption of peace among the people.

Any technology developed in a process to achieve stability and making the life of the human being better would be appropriate if it can be created and sustained. However, if you keep on admiring things beyond the world, you must have gone overboard beyond the limits of knowledge⁶.

Even though knowledge shows that everything can be achieved or attained, the bare truth is that our human nature cannot allow that. We have our shortcoming and imperfections that cannot enable total achievement. Knowledge also has restrictions in the sense that faulty memories will hinder the attainment of knowledge. Due to this, demonstrating ideas will be challenging as a result of lack of proper reasoning. Therefore, false principles will not enable the demonstration of concepts. Most notably, to achieve knowledge, there must be a basic understanding and awareness of the information that links that subject to the experience. Therefore, without the presence of the information or ideas then knowledge cannot be gained.

3. CONCLUSION

This article gives information on this topic in a way to impart more knowledge about this topic and also bring more understanding of the subject matter. This review provides the basic definition of knowledge and the power that knowledge commands. Moreover, the review gives a clear description of how knowledge is resourceful in an individual point of view. Also, the text has described the relationship between knowledge and technology. The article has more so given the limitations of this topic and even the advantages.

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