The Purpose of Education

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Abstract

My school emphasizes the importance of learning three basic skills which we hope our students will be able to use to help form a new world. Those skills are: (1) the skill to make decisions by themselves; (2) the skill to make plans necessary to implement those decisions, and (3) the skill to solve problems they come across in the process of implementation. Students form project groups and try to improve these skills through their daily school activities.

For example, when I teach world history, I tell my students that it is necessary to bring about a new world system based on Baha'u'llah's world vision. When teaching ecology, I present specific examples of the interconnected nature of reality, such as the relationship between carbon dioxide and the rain forests and the ecological effects of a planned dam on the environment of the neighbouring community.