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# How to Facilitate Learning Through Problem Solving

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**Abstract:** In today's evolving social environment, problem-solving is crucial for personal growth and social adaptation. Learning isn't just about acquiring knowledge, but applying it to real-world issues. The education sector increasingly values problem-solving in learning, as it bridges theory and practice, deepens knowledge understanding, and boosts learners' ability to apply knowledge in solving actual problems. This article explores problem-solving in learning for practitioners' reference.

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## 1. Introduction

In the process of education, the quality of learning for students is often valued, and problem-solving is a very effective learning method. By solving problems, students can not only test their learning outcomes, but also cultivate their thinking and problem-solving abilities. Solving problems is a complex process that requires students to constantly think, analyze, and practice in order to find the best solution. Therefore, problem-solving is of great significance in education, as it can help students fully develop their abilities.

## 2. The significance of promoting learning through problem-solving

### 2.1 Improve students' problem-solving abilities

Solving problems is a comprehensive ability that requires students to possess good logical thinking, analytical skills, and innovative abilities. By solving problems, students can cultivate their problem-solving abilities and improve their overall quality. Solving problems requires students to constantly think, analyze, and practice in order to find the best solution. In the process of solving problems, students need to collect information, analyze problems, develop solutions, implement plans, and evaluate their effectiveness. These steps can help students cultivate solid problem-solving abilities. By solving various problems, students can continuously improve their problem-solving abilities, laying a solid foundation for future learning and work<sup>[1]</sup>.

### 2.2 Promoting the comprehensive development of students

Solving problems is a comprehensive process that requires students to comprehensively apply various knowledge and skills to solve practical problems. By solving problems, students can apply the theoretical knowledge learned in the classroom to practical situations, deepening their understanding of the knowledge. Solving problems can also help students cultivate their innovative ability and collaborative spirit, and improve their overall quality. By solving various problems, students can continuously expand their knowledge fields, improve their comprehensive abilities, and promote their comprehensive development.

## 3. The current situation of promoting learning through problem-solving

### 3.1 Limitations of problem design

Too simple questions often lack challenge and fail to stimulate learners' desire for thinking and exploration. This type of problem often only requires simple recall or application of existing knowledge to solve, and cannot guide learners to engage in in-depth thinking and reflection. In this situation, learners may feel bored or bored, and even lose interest in learning. Overly complex problems can lead to confusion and frustration for learners, involving knowledge from multiple fields and complex thinking processes that exceed their cognitive and problem-solving abilities. When faced with such problems, learners often feel at a loss and unable to find a solution. This not only affects the learning

effectiveness of learners, but also has a negative impact on their confidence and learning motivation<sup>[2]</sup>.

### **3.2 Insufficient learner engagement**

Learners lack interest in the process of problem-solving, and some problems cannot resonate or interest learners, leading to a lack of motivation to solve problems. In this situation, learners will adopt a passive attitude, only solving problems to complete tasks, lacking the willingness to think deeply and explore. In the process of solving problems, learners will encounter some difficulties and challenges, such as understanding problems, analyzing information, and developing solutions. These difficulties lead to learners feeling frustrated or anxious, which in turn reduces their participation and motivation. Some learners lack confidence, worry about their answers being incorrect or being evaluated by others, and therefore dare not actively participate in discussions and sharing. If the learning environment is not relaxed and free enough, or the learning atmosphere lacks encouragement and support, learners will feel suppressed or uneasy, making it difficult to fully devote themselves to the process of solving problems.

## **4. Effective strategies for promoting learning through problem-solving**

### **4.1 Provide practical questions**

Practical problems can help students to understand the meaning and value of knowledge. When students realize that what they have learned is related to practical problems, they will be more motivated to explore and understand related concepts and principles. The practical application of this knowledge can make the learning process more concrete and meaningful. Students usually face a series of difficulties and challenges and overcome them by solving practical problems. When students encounter difficulties and setbacks in the process of solving problems, they will be motivated to find solutions. This kind of challenge and encouragement is helpful to cultivate students' autonomous learning ability and deepen their understanding and memory of what they have learned. When students come into contact with practical problems, they will naturally start to think about how to solve them.

### **4.2 Provide inspiring guidance**

Teachers do not provide complete answers, but guide students to ask questions, analyze problems, and find ways to solve them. Through this approach, students can actively participate in the learning process, actively think about problems, and form independent problem-solving strategies. This proactive thinking ability is the foundation for problem-solving, as well as the key to cultivating students' innovative and critical thinking abilities. During the learning process, errors are inevitable, but through reflection and correction of errors, students can better understand the essence of the problem and find more effective solutions. Inspirational guidance emphasizes that students learn from their mistakes and accept that failure is a part of success. This positive attitude and practical ability can improve students' learning outcomes and problem-solving abilities. By guiding students to think and try problem-solving paths, they can gradually cultivate thinking patterns and strategies for problem-solving. Inspirational guidance emphasizes flexibility and innovation, enabling students to have multiple problem-solving methods and ways of thinking. The cultivation of this ability not only helps students apply it in their learning, but also plays an important role in promoting their future career development<sup>[3]</sup>.

### **4.3 Encourage student teams to work together to solve problems**

Through group cooperation, students can jointly tackle problems, gather diverse ideas, and craft innovative solutions. Cooperative learning exposes students to varying perspectives and experiences, fostering creativity and broadening their problem-solving strategies. Additionally, it cultivates communication, respect, and teamwork skills, vital for future careers and social interactions.

### **4.4 Provide necessary learning resources and tools**

The library provides rich literature resources such as books and periodicals, so that students can acquire professional and authoritative knowledge through reading and research. The Internet and online learning platforms also provide a large number of learning resources and courses, and students can acquire relevant knowledge and skills through online search and learning. The provision of these resources enables students to understand and master the knowledge and skills needed to solve problems more widely. In some academic fields, the application of theoretical knowledge may require experiments and practice to deepen understanding. Provide laboratories and technical facilities, provide students with opportunities to consolidate theoretical knowledge through practical operation and experimental verification, and cultivate students' ability to observe, analyze and solve problems.

### **4.5 Provide timely feedback to students**

Through timely feedback, students can understand their strengths and weaknesses in problem-solving, and adjust and improve their learning strategies accordingly. After students solve problems, teachers can provide targeted evaluations and suggestions to help students iden-

tify the problem and understand the correct way of thinking and methods. This timely feedback can guide students to become aware of their existing problems and provide them with directions and strategies for improvement, thereby improving the effectiveness and quality of their problem-solving. Students can share and discuss the process and results of problem-solving with each other, providing feedback and suggestions to help each other identify problems and explore potential areas for improvement. Peer feedback can not only promote cooperation and communication among students, but also bring different perspectives and ways of thinking into the process of problem-solving, thereby enhancing problem-solving abilities. When students receive positive and supportive feedback, they feel confident and satisfied, while also being motivated to further engage in learning and problem-solving. This positive feedback can enhance students' learning motivation and interest, prompting them to focus more and work harder to solve problems<sup>[4]</sup>.

## 5. Conclusion

In summary, promoting learning through problem-solving is an effective and effective teaching method. In the future, we should further explore how to optimize problem design, provide personalized learning support and guidance, and create a positive learning environment to better unleash the potential of problem-solving in promoting learning. At the same time, it is also necessary to pay attention to the characteristics and needs of different learners, ensuring the targeted and effective teaching methods. Through continuous practice and research, we believe that the method of promoting learning through problem-solving will play a more important role in the future field of education.

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