

## IMPACT OF PRINTED MODULAR LEARNING TO PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND TEACHERS

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As DepEd secretary Leonor Briones quoted, “education cannot wait”. In regard to this, the Department of Education prepared different learning modalities to ensure the delivery of quality education in these times of pandemic.

To continue the education of millions of Filipino students, the government implemented a distance learning approach in which distance learning, also known as home study or home schooling, is a form of education where there is no face-to-face interaction between students and their teachers.

Most parents prefer to choose Printed Modular learning due to lack of internet connection and gadgets as well. In Printed Modular learning, the department/government provides all the learning modules to be studied at home by the students with their learning partners, which could be their parents, siblings or relatives that could help them and guide them in the mode of learning.

DepEd restates that parent play an essential and critical role in guiding their children in adjusting to the means of distance learning. But what if the parents are working, a single parent and working parents are illiterate? How can the module be effective? How can they guide their children? Though each module has its preferred answer key at the back, the understanding of the concept of the lesson cannot be easily grasped. Many parents cannot afford to teach and guide their children for different reasons. Many parents cannot return the modules on time because their children were not done answering. Some may return their answer sheet unanswered or incomplete.

These are some of the conflicts and burdens we observe in the current school year process that we teachers must understand.

But, despite these short comings, we teachers made sure that we are here to help them out by allowing them to be in blended learning. Though they have a printed module on their hand, we also did some video lessons that can help them understand their lesson. We also offer help thru social media via Facebook messenger and thru mobile phone via text or call. There is also TV or radio-based instruction, a Facebook live video lesson that can help students to deepen their understanding of a particular lesson or topic.

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