ONLINE INSTRUCTION VS CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION

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According to dictionary, learning is the acquisition of knowledge or skills through experience, study, or by being taught. It is a continuous process that includes the transformation of information into skills and understanding. Traditionally, formal schooling or learning takes place in classrooms. We are all very familiar with this set-up. It is a learning method where learners sit in a classroom while the teacher is discussing the lessons in front of them. But due to modern technologies and pandemic, online instruction emerged and became popular these days.

Face-to-face communication between learners and teachers is a component of classroom learning. In this kind of instruction, learners actively participate in getting their questions answered. They can also work in other learners, group or whole class. Such interaction is less common in online instruction, but it is still possible through chats. In addition, learners learn under pressure while maintaining their motivation and confidence in themselves. The learners cannot interact with their peers or other learners which can lead to self-learning. Classroom instruction is better in inculcating knowledge in social skills, attitude and habits in day-to-day life than online instruction.

Another reason to consider in education is the cost it involved. Many people cannot study due to poverty. Online learning is very affordable comparing to classroom learning which the cost is increasing every year. Practically, online instruction can be done anywhere and can save travel time and expenses. When it comes to professional growth, online learning is much better than traditional learning.

Perhaps the question which is better between the two kinds of instruction does not end. It is better to know that every learner is impacted by both instructions in some way. It all relies on how the learners respect and appreciate it. Indeed, they are both significant in the learning process.

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