

GENERATION ALPHA TO TECHNOLOGY TO VALUES FORMATION

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It's a fast changing world, changes happened in a snap in generation, technology and values.

We define Generation Alpha as a person born under the year of 2010 to 2024, are characterized by their deep immersion in technology and adaptability. They are digital natives growing up with technology. Our learners can be identified as Generation Alpha. Technology refers to the use of scientific knowledge on practical things that we are doing with the help of tools and techniques. Values formation means that it is imposed from our family in childhood and reinforced through culture and life experiences.

We thought that our technology nowadays can be considered as Alpha achievement. Modern technology is highly in demand, one touch in a click we have it. Gen Alpha is highly identified now with the characters of our learners, they thought that learning could be earned in a single touch and a click. They have more time spending to different high end technology than spending to a study habit to earn a one click in a touch for the knowledge they longing for.

Digital technology completely connected to our learners today. In any sense this technology has a great effect in the study habit and learning environment of the learners. Parental guidance is highly recommended they might fall into a low performing learners or acquire advance knowledge through technology if guided properly.

In the past recorded incidents, two of the considered Alpha babies experienced seizure. Professionals considered these cases as a result of "abusive used of time" not the

technology. The root of the seizure was really in the over spending of time using the technology. At their tender age they should use their time for resting, other recreations and having enough sleep. If not handled properly they may experience the same situation.

They put their health at risk, it's also a big question that sophisticated technology slowly diminishes the values we have as a Filipino. No more kissing of the hands, instead they are asking for high-five or "apir", no more saying po and opo rather than hey guys! And it losses the values of helping doing the chores at home, they are busy spending their time on their gadgets.

We need to be aware and well informed as guardians for the pros and cons of the effect to our children and to their values being a Generation Alpha that engaged to technology. Our children need discipline and guidance at home and in school to guide them in the right path.

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