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ABSTRACT One hundred fifty-four English language annotations of books, articles, and government publications about education in 11 Arab countries are contained in this bibliography. Drawing from materials published in 1976, the bibliography examines education for all age groups and ability levels in Egypt, Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen. The material is presented under 77 topic headings, including aims of studying in Arab countries, art education, curriculum development, education and economic development, educational experimentation, illiteracy, mathematics, guidance and counseling, school dramatics, and teaching methods. Lists of items by country, authors, and sources conclude the document. (Author/DB)

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ADULT EDUCATION


Following an introduction on what is meant by adult education and the impact of modern civilization on the changing relationships between man and natural resources and also the importance of studying the embodied contents of this new civilization, the writer discussed contemporary civilization, showing its nature, characteristics and advantages.

He went on to describe the attitude of developing countries vis-à-vis the race of civilizations and the attitude of education towards civilization challenges, showing the importance of perpetual education in confronting the qualitative changes befalling social life.

Talking on the educational challenges in developing communities the writer brought out the qualitative and quantitative challenges and explained the relation existing between education and the modern formula of civilization.

Dealing with adult education and the challenges of our age, the writer reviewed the stages through which adult education has passed and the challenges which confront the social function of adult education.

The writer went on to discuss the ability of absorbing the means and possibilities inherent in civilization and the need for creating a unity of the educational system which would make adult education an education of a perpetual and continuing nature, giving an explanation of the challenges facing adult education in the Arab World ever since the Islamic era.

Challenges facing the Arab World include the elimination of the problem of illiteracy, the fact that the Arab World is possessed with some peculiar phenomena characteristic only of it and the fact that adult education is; in most cases, dependent upon the institutions of systematic education.

Concluding his article, the writer dealt with the problems facing adult education in Arab countries, laying special emphasis on the fact that students lack any motive to study and referring to the shortage.
in specialized teachers and supervisors, the problem of financing, the shortage in school buildings and the problem of curricula.

A summary of the article is given at its end.

Financing - Arab Countries


The writer began his article with an explanation of the concept of adult education and how this concept has its bearing on educational policy-makers and planners.

He went on to describe the present condition of adult education organization and administration in Arab countries, mentioning the machineries and institutions which contribute to adult education and indicating the sound basis for administration and organization and the principles entailed.

Stressing the importance of studying adult education costs, the writer explained the methods of cost analysis and cost classification in adult education (i.e. comprehensive analysis and detailed analysis of costs), mentioning the sources from which adult education draws its financing and pointing to the ways of increasing such sources and developing new ones.

In conclusion, the writer mentioned how adult education costs may be rationalized.

Reference books in Arabic and foreign languages consulted by the author in the compilation of his material are listed at the end of the article.
In Arab Countries


The writer started his article with a review of the movements of adult education in the various parts of the world and the history of this movement since the dawn of Islam, showing its present significance in the Arab World and Egypt.

Describing the different forms taken by this movement throughout successive eras and indicating the extent to which adult education needs to rest on solid foundations, the writer said that education of adults needs to take into consideration the sex and psychological condition of students.

In conclusion, he discussed the aims of perpetual education and the targets sought from the fundamentalization of adult education, showing the importance of this type of education in a world of rapid changes and its vital value to man's comfort and welfare.


The writer began his article with a talk on the responsibility of adults in the society and their role in bringing up youngsters.

Following a commentary on the place of adults in the society and their role in bringing about the country's economic development and in formulating the society's philosophy, the writer explained the strategy of education both of youngsters and adults and showed how concepts gradually developed.

The writer went on to review the factors which gave rise to the concept of adult education and which influenced the development of its strategy.
He then explained the comprehensive concept of adult education within the framework of the concept of perpetual education which constitutes the basis of the whole concept of adult education. He explained as well the major trends outgrowing from the comprehensive concept of adult education.

Concluding his article, the writer listed Arabic and foreign books which he consulted in the preparation of his study.


In a preliminary introduction to his article, the writer explained how man is affected by and affects other people and how this relates to the transmission of knowledge to other people. He explained the reasons for which this fact is not taken into consideration in adult education.

The writer went on to give a historical background of adult education in the United States, England and the Popular Republic of China, showing that Islam and certain Islamic scholars had explosive effect, in creating a desire for learning and for spreading knowledge.

Following a historical review of adult education in Egypt ever since its independence in 1922, the writer indicated the extent of interest shown by the Ministry of Education in eradicating illiteracy and in educating illiterate labourers ever since that date and the subsequent role assumed by the Ministry of Social Affairs since 1943, as a consequence of which Law No. 110 of 1944 was enacted to regulate literacy campaigns and spread popular culture. The highlights of this law were given by the writer who added that as from 1946, the task of adult education passed to the Ministry of Education. He described the role played by the latter Ministry in this respect up to our present day.

Concluding his article, the writer made his own comments and conclusions derived from the historical review of this subject, listing the books and reference consulted by him.

Following an introduction in which the document defined adult education and pointed to its significance to society, a set of articles on adult education were published.

These articles dealt with the following subjects: postponement of adult education; the concept of adult education; the cultural challenges facing adult education; adult education throughout ages; the psychological bases for adult education; programmes of adult education and the principles of their formulation; methods and styles of adult education; preparation and training of personnel engaged in the field of adult education and administration and financing of adult educational programmes.

In the Sultanate of Oman


Giving an account of the efforts exerted by the Ministry of Education in educating adults and describing the achievements accomplished in this field, the writer explained that two concomitant systems of education are established in Oman, a systematic and a liberal system.

To demonstrate the success of both systems, the writer reproduced two tables, one showing the efforts made in fighting illiteracy during the scholastic years 1973/74 - 1975/76 and the other showing the progress made in home studies from the fifth year primary to the secondary stage.

* A separate review is made of each article.
In the course of explaining the reasons and justifications for the training and preparation of those engaged in adult education, the writer dealt with the concept of adult education and the developments it had undergone and commented on "knowledge explosion" and its implications as regards adult education. He pointed to the steady inclination towards specialization, the modest positions held by those engaged in adult education, the new outlook to the importance of those engaged in this field and the impact of the adults' educational needs on determining the characteristics required in instructors.

The writer went on to review the categories of those engaged in adult education showing the procedure for their selection.

Concluding his article, he described the patterns of training programmes and the role of teacher training colleges and other educational institutions in this process.

Programmes in Arab Countries


At the beginning of his article, the writer underlined the importance of adult education and defined the terms used in the article, explaining each term and indicating the interrelationships between these terms.

After indicating the types of programmes applied in adult education, he explained the factors which influence the formulation of each programme, discussing, in this respect the impact of the society as generator of the educational drives, the public as recipient of the programmes offered and the institution as propagator of these programmes.
The writer went on to discuss how adult educational programmes are formulated and implemented. In this connection, he emphasized the need for limiting the number of students and giving due regard to their psychological and social characteristics. He further emphasized the need for defining targets, determining educational contents, defining means and methods, specifying the requirements for organization and implementation and, lastly, explaining the procedure for organization, follow-up and evaluation.

Teaching Methods - Arab Countries


Having indicated at the beginning of his article the importance of distinguishing means of methods utilized in adult education from those utilized in teaching youngsters, the writer explained the reasons for the differences in these methods and reviewed the aims, contents and methods of education being the basic elements in the provision of any education situation.

Reviewing the means and methods utilized in teaching adults, the writer dealt with the lecturing method giving the conditions to be fulfilled in it, the symposium method and the procedures for utilizing this method in adult education, the method of discussion and its patterns, the method of interviewing and the factors which insure its success, the method of correspondence and the role of the teacher in it, the method of programmed education with an indication of its basics, and the methods of acting, case study, analysis of the educational material and gradual training.

In concluding his article, the writer dealt with methods of adult education, concentrating on movies, sound recordings, demonstrative scenes, radio and television.

A bibliographical list is given at the end of the article.
AIMS OF STUDYING IN ARAB COUNTRIES


The writer began his article with an indication of the importance of defining targets in the educational activities, drawing a distinction between the targets which the society formulates and which are binding on the members of the society and the targets laid by the individual for his own purposes.

He then indicated that it is advantageous for the teacher to have the educational targets defined, whether in the process of planning for educational activities and applications or in the process of implementation and evaluation.

After defining educational targets, the writer reviewed samples of targets as laid by teachers for their lessons, showing to what extent they are ambiguous in their formulation.

He went on to explain how specified behavioural aims are laid, discussing the three levels of educational targets, namely; general targets, transitory targets and special targets. He defined the meaning of each one of their targets, showing how they interrelate and specifying and identifying the contents of the ultimate aims of the entire educational process, being: knowledge, assimilation, application, analysis, construction, trends, motor skills and, lastly, habits.

ARABIC LANGUAGE

In Arab Countries


The writer began his article with a talk on the Arabic language as a language of teaching and learning in all stages of education in Arab countries, referring in this respect to the duality represented in the use of the colloquial language in teaching in the primary stage in addition to the use of the classical language while memorizing text books.
The writer went on to explain the causes of the language problem, devising some solutions for it. Here, he dealt with the need for educating the teacher himself, the preparation of lessons before the period starts, addressing pupils in classes in the classical language, developing the reading habit among pupils and following up reading interests of pupils. In this connection, the writer emphasized the role of the teacher.


After pointing out the relation between pupils' weakness in Arabic and the academic and professional qualification of the teacher of this language, the writer showed how the thorough training of Arabic language teachers constitutes an asset to the Fatherland, safeguards Arabic heritage and transforms the currently weak curriculum into a strong one.

The writer went on to review the sources of training Arabic teachers on teaching the language in the various stages of education (i.e. primary, preparatory and secondary) and described the methods which insure a proper training of Arabic language teachers.

Here, he concentrated upon institutions which train Arabic teachers for the preparatory and secondary stages, emphasizing the need for a re-consideration of the curricula used in Arabic language teacher training colleges and institutes, for the introduction of practical training, for the establishment of experimental schools which would be attached to men and women teacher training institutes, for keeping up contacts between educational faculties and institutes and their graduates who are active in the field, and for providing on-job training for teachers.

ARABIC LANGUAGE CURRICULA

In Democratic Yemen

Following an introduction on curricula, with special reference to the curricula of Arabic language, the writers described how these curricula should be worked out.

They went on to draw a comparison between the various branches of Arabic in the old curricula and in the modern ones, dealing in this respect with grammar, expression, reading books, poetry and literary texts which are taught in the secondary stage of education, pointing to the shortcomings of the old curriculum and the advantages of the modern one.

ART EDUCATION

In Democratic Yemen


After pointing out the importance of art education from a social point of view, its significance in establishing a link with other school subjects and its advantages to pupils, the writer summed up the aims sought by art education in public schools in four points namely, educational, artistic, cultural and informative aims.

The writer elaborated on art as viewed by philosophers and educators and explained the function of the art education teacher giving a set of recommendation which teachers of art should adopt and apply in formulating their syllabi, in introducing their art material to pupils and in guiding these pupils. Examples of artistic expression topics were cited by the writer.

Commenting on the socialist ideology and how to propagate it through art education, the writer explained the types of socialist conduct and showed how socialist values could be absorbed through teaching.

Dealing with the attributes of a good teacher, the writer touched upon the skills, trends, experiences and information a good teacher should possess.

Other matters dealt with in the article include the relation between art education on the one hand and production and the environment on the other, the manner in which conduct could be changed and the creation
of new trends. Art expression, he said, is a means for asserting socialism.

Concluding his article, the writer dealt with the value of education in public life.

In Jordan,


At the beginning of his article, the writer reviewed the modern educational phenomenon known as "education through play". He showed how this phenomenon relates to art education, indicating its significance in helping children express themselves.

According to the writer, art education is considered a mirror which reflects the psychology and nature of children and which constitutes a factual record of their lives. He showed how children resort to substitutes when their school deprives them of art education and other identical activities.

The writer went on to review the topics of art education, showing how they are selected for the different stages in Jordanian schools and emphasizing the importance of selecting subjects which correspond to the environment and serve the required purposes.

He then dealt with the raw material needed for art education, showing how they are selected and the manner in which they are manipulated. He also indicated the various sources from which such material is obtained.

Concluding his article, the writer dealt with the natural resources of Jordan, the school's budget, and parents' councils and teachers.

Following an introduction on the aim of his study and its significance, the writer defined audio-visual and educational aids saying they fall into audio aids and visual aids.

He went on to describe the educational role of maps, pictures, drawings, films, televisions, videotapes, plays, models, school museums and radio, showing how they may be employed in the teaching of history.

Recorded tapes, he added, are most significant in the teaching of history as compared to radio broadcasts, because the listener could stop the tape at will and discuss the programme recorded on it, unrestricted by any specified programme or limited time.

The writer showed how schools could produce recorded tapes for the benefit of pupils.

Concluding his article, the writer commented on the view that educational aids minimize the role of the teacher in the educational process, saying that these aids are supplementary to the teacher's role in school.

A bibliographical list of Arabic and foreign books consulted by the author is given at the end of the article.

BOY SCOUTS IN QATAR


After reviewing the aims of the boy scouts movement in Qatar, the writer described the characteristics of a boy scout as specified in the Scouting Law, explaining the meaning of the oath which boy scouts reiterate wherever they go.
Having related the history of the boy scout movement with special reference to its role in Qatar, the writer reviewed the efforts exerted in this respect by the Qatari Ministry of Education, the Administration of Youth Welfare and the Boy Scout Society.

The writer described some of the activities undertaken by the Boy Scout Society both on an Arab and international level saying that the scouting movement is in itself an extra-curricular activity aimed at keeping abreast with the progress of civilization and technology.

CARE FOR THE TALENTED IN ARAB COUNTRIES


At the Conference on Providing Care for Talented Students, attended by experts from a variety of organizations and some Arab and international organizations, papers and studies were presented.

These papers dealt with the definition of talent, the various aspects of talent, the criteria for discovering talented pupils, the manner in which talented pupils are detected and the care which should be extended to them over and above the educational and psychological requirements for such care.

The conference stressed the importance of discovering talents at an early stage, indicating the role of the family, the school and other organs of the society in this matter. The Conference pointed to the role of popular organizations in caring for the talented and directing their activities.

A set of recommendations were adopted at the close of the conference. These recommendations dealt with the different methods utilized in detecting talented pupils, the manner in which talents may be developed and employed in the country's social and economic development, the need for providing talented pupils with an overall care covering all aspects of their personality, the role of the Ministry of Education in discovering talents in schools, the enrichment of the curricula and the need for directing more attention to extra-curricular activities and science clubs.
A recommendation called for the creation in Iraq of a Department for Special Education similar to other Arab countries.

CURRICULA

In Jordan


This is the text of a speech delivered by the Minister of Education of Jordan at the first joint meeting between Jordan and Syria held in Amman between January 24 and 29, 1976 with the aim of unifying curricula.

Following a word of welcome to the Syrian delegation, the Minister emphasized the importance of unity between Jordan and Syria and reviewed the accomplishments in the field of unifying curricula and text books made in the Damascus meeting held between November 19 and 27, 1975.

Talking on the accomplishments expected to be made in the 1976 meeting, the Minister said that the studies begun in the Damascus meeting regarding curricula of the primary stage should be completed. Committees entrusted with the formulation of curricula for the preparatory and secondary stages should also complete their work, while the committee assigned to prepare text books should begin to function.

Concluding his speech, the Minister said we are determined to go ahead with our plans and, eventually, to complete our work in connection with all other classes and stages.

After reviewing the accomplishments of the Jordanian-Syrian Higher Committee comprising Syrian and Jordanian senior officials which met in Amman between July 28 and 30, 1975 and in Damascus between October 25 and 27, 1975, the writer quoted the resolution adopted by the Committee following its second meeting in Damascus which dealt with the unification of curricula and text books.

The writer went on to review the accomplishments made pursuant to this resolution, the steps taken by the Joint Committee and the progress achieved during the meeting of the Jordanian and Syrian delegations in the field of developing the educational process in both countries and the realization of an overall cultural and intellectual unity between them.

Reviewing the activities of the Jordanian delegation which visited Damascus between October 25 and 27, 1975, the writer said these activities dealt with approving the new curricula and school subjects devised for the primary stage, constituting a joint technical committee for editing text books for the primary stage, resuming meetings by responsible officials, approving a unified syllabus for technical education, organizing joint panels for discussing the means of developing the educational process and continuing the exchange of educational visits.

**CURRICULA DEVELOPMENT**


The aims of this Symposium, as set forth in this Document, are the formulation of a visualized design for the future of the curricula development machinery in Arab countries, the determination of the studies which are needed in the Arab region being a prerequisite for developing curricula both on a country level and on a pan-Arab level, the determination of the type of specialists needed for curricula development and the manner in which they are trained and the basic features to be provided in them and, lastly, the manner of realizing Arab and international cooperation in curricula development.
The Document contained a review of the present condition of curricula planning, administration and development in Arab countries as revealed by the pre-Symposium questionnaire answered by the various countries.

Likewise, the Document reviewed the Symposium's Committee reports, being the Committee on the Development of Curricula Machinery, the Committee for the Preparation and Training of the Specialists required to develop curricula and the Joint Arab-International Committee for the Development of Curricula.

The Symposium's recommendations are reproduced in this Document. They deal with the development of curricula and the procedures for the preparation and implementation of curricula, the role of the teacher and textbook, the development of examination systems, the training of curricula development specialists, school libraries, laboratories, educational facilities and school buildings.

Recommendations also deal with the role played by regional and international organizations in promoting curricula development planning procedures in Arab countries.

In Kuwait


The writer began his article with an explanation of the new concept of curricula, saying that curricula differs from the syllabi and emphasizing the need to keep pace with the academic and educational developments adding that it is a vital necessity to establish specialized centres for studying curricula in order to ensure that curricula serve all their purposes.

In this connection, the writer explained the functions of the teacher, the educational methods and facilities, the school activities, the methods of evaluation, the examinations, plans, school day and the accomplishments in any school day.

Reviewing Kuwait's experiment in establishing a centre for studying curricula, the writer described its functions and duties in developing the curricula and showed the targets and trends materialized by the centre.
The writer went on to describe how textbooks are prepared to suit both the pupil and the teacher, saying that the Kuwaiti centre is experimenting on all methods and means and is adapting them in the light of the results.

A review is also made of the centre's efforts in training teachers and inspectors before any such experiment is made universal, giving due consideration to correct any deficiency when large scale application is made.

Concluding his article, the writer emphasized the need for a continuous process of development, thus enabling the centre to perform its mission in a proper manner.

DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATION IN ARAB COUNTRIES


Held in collaboration with the Lebanese Committee for the UNESCO, the UNESCO's Regional Office for Education in Arab Countries and the Centre for Research and Development, this Panel aimed at studying educational conditions and adopting recommendations for the development of education in Arab countries in the light of the report by the International Committee for Educational Development.

The Panel's report is divided into two parts.

The first part is a general account of the aims and organization of the Panel and the general trends prevailing therein.

Part 2 comprises the reports prepared by the Panel's three Committees, namely, the Committee on Education and the Educated Society, the Committee on the Qualitative Renovation of Education and the Committee on the Tools for Educational Renovation. Each Committee adopted a set of recommendations consistent with its realm.

In the case of the first Committee, its recommendations dealt with the meaning and aims of perpetual education, Arab heritage and the need for reconciling the old with the new as a prerequisite for the creation of an educated society. They also dealt with the general supervision over perpetual education, the necessary legislations in
this connection and the suggested machineries responsible for assuming the task of perpetual education.

Priorities of action were established in these recommendations which also dealt with the provision of human and financial resources and the establishment of joint cooperation between Arab countries in the field of perpetual education.

The second Committee's recommendations centered around the Arab man whose education is sought and the manner in which educators may be trained to perform the educational process. They also dealt with the development of curricula in such a manner as to link education to the prevailing conditions of the Arab society and called for intensification of Arab joint efforts to provide the tools necessary for a modern teaching and learning process.

Recommendations adopted by the third Committee on the Tools for Educational Renovation dealt with linking renovation to educational problems. They stressed the need for modernizing public administration, financial systems and educational legislations and for the adoption of modern technologies, laying emphasis on planning and the creation of sound machineries for centres of educational research and documentation.

DROPOUTS IN BAHRAIN


Following an attempt to define the concept of dropouts as a social problem, the writer indicated that this problem results in wasting a sizeable proportion of state revenues.

Causes of the problem of dropouts are divided by the writer into social causes, cultural causes and causes connected with the school and the teacher.

Having thoroughly studied the various causes of this problem, the writer devised effective and radical solutions for it, some of which are the responsibility of the society, the state and the parents and some are connected with the school and the teacher and the latter's ability to understand his duty, to believe in his mission and profession and to perform his work in an appropriate manner.
The writer's suggestions called for linking curricula to the environment and life and avoiding any unnecessary subjects, providing school buildings and ensuring adequate room for extra-curricular activities, attracting pupils to take part therein.

ECONOMICS OF EDUCATION IN KUWAIT


This document is a report on the financial expenditures on education in the State of Kuwait.

Following an introduction on the function of the Cost Division newly created within the Financial Administration of Kuwait's Ministry of Education and a talk on the importance of modernizing educational administration in Kuwait, an indication is given of the significance and aims of this report and a review is made of the history of education in Kuwait.

The text of the report falls into six chapters.

Chapter 1 deals with educational expenditure and shows the sources from which education in Kuwait is financed. It lists the bodies which, aside from the Ministry of Education, participate in such financing. A general review of the gross expenditure on education in Kuwait is made.

Chapter 2 presents a review of educational expenditure according to its nature, classifying it into capital expenditure such as investment in school buildings, recurring expenditure such as salaries and wages and cost per job and per hour of work.

The third chapter tabulates educational expenditure according to purpose such as administrative and educational purposes, services and other expenses like scholarships, eradication of illiteracy and libraries.

Chapter 4 divides educational expenditure according to stage and type of education with a comparison between costs by stage in Kuwait and in other countries.
The fifth chapter is devoted to an indication of the cost per pupil, giving the total costs entailed. It also compares recurring costs per pupil in Kuwait with the corresponding costs in other countries.

The sixth and last chapter indicates the return on educational expenditure in Kuwait and shows how costs relate to production.

A number of statistical tables and charts are appended to demonstrate the material contained in the report.

**EDUCATION**

In Arab Countries


The writer began his article saying that any educational strategy should take into consideration three dimensions, namely: 1) that education is an important dynamic process in building up individuals and ensuring communal progress; 2) that the Twentieth Century is characterized with certain features such as "knowledge explosion", scientific and technological progress and proximity of times, places and nations; and 3) that our Arab societies are living under certain facts of life politically, militarily, culturally, economically, and socially.

The writer went on to review the characteristics of the desired education in the light of the foregoing three dimensions as to genuineness, renovation, comprehensiveness, all-inclusiveness, continuity, flexibility, generality and specialization, morality and honesty.

Concluding his article, the writer described the method by which this strategy could be realized in Arab and Islamic countries within the framework of an Islamic visualization. In this respect, he mentioned the role which official institutions responsible for education, religious endowments, Islamic affairs, social affairs and the press and information media should play to bring about this strategy.
Constituted by resolution of the fourth conference of Arab Ministers of Education held in Sanaa between December 23rd and 28th, 1972, this Committee consisted of experts in sociology, economics, physics and planning assigned to lay down a strategy for the development of education on an all-Arab level.

The Committee's report fell into eight chapters.

The first chapter is an introduction dealing with three principal subjects namely, Arab education from the angle of renovation and perpetuation, Arab educational policy and strategy and the report's aims and scope.

Chapter 2 reviews the circumstances prevailing in the Arab society with the aim of identifying its nature, basic characteristics and philosophy of education.

The third chapter deals with the basics of education in Arab countries, their sources throughout the ages and the factors influencing them.

Chapter 4 is devoted to a discussion of the present circumstances of education in the Arab Fatherland, while the fifth chapter deals with the scientific and technological revolution, gives examples of development in our contemporary world and points out the trends of educational philosophy particularly in the fields of humanities and social sciences as they apply to education.

Chapter 6 sets forth the Committee's findings and trends of thought which represent sound conclusions reached through a study of the conditions prevailing in the Arab society, the status of Arab education and the circumstances of the contemporary world. These conclusions are indicative of the trends of progress in the Arab Nation and are instrumental in defining the nationalist aims of Arab countries.

The seventh chapter contains solutions for the problems hindering progress of education in Arab countries and feasible alternatives in this respect.

The eighth and last chapter is the Report's conclusion.
In Bahrain


This report is divided into nine parts.

Part 1 reviews the legislations governing education in Bahrain, while the second part deals with the qualitative development of teacher training, curricula, educational media, technical education, general education, educational planning, training of administrative and technical personnel and the development of the Ministry of Education's budget.

Part 3 deals with the quantitative development in primary, preparatory and secondary education, the various types of technical education, religious education, teacher training and higher education.

The fourth and fifth parts review the accomplishments realized in the field of literacy and adult education and in physical education and boy scouting.

Part 6 is concerned with archeological excavations, and maintenance of antiquities.

The seventh part reviews the accomplishments in the field of public libraries, showing the documents acquired and the number of men and women frequenting libraries during the period under discussion.

Part 8 deals with the Ministry's efforts in the field of public relations while the ninth and last part gives an account of the conferences, training sessions and symposia held during the period covered by the report.


This study is indicative of the extent of progress experienced by education in Bahrain during the period 1974/75 - 1975/76, illustrated with statistics.

Following an introduction on the significance of statistics in any educational planning in Bahrain, the text of the document was spread out over nine parts.
The first six parts are concerned with the growth of classes, the ratio between the growth in the number of pupils and in the number of classes, the growth in the number of pupils according to geographical regions, dropouts and the percentages of success in examinations and registration in respect of the stages of primary, preparatory, general secondary, commercial secondary and industrial secondary education.

Part 7 shows the number of registered pupils and their percentage to the population in the various stages and types of education in Bahrain.

The eighth part is concerned with rural pupils. It indicates their number and their rate of growth according to educational stages. A comparison is made between urban and rural pupils as to their number and their proportion to the total number of pupils in all stages of education.

The ninth and last part deals with teachers. It shows the ratio between the growth in the number of teachers and pupils and between the number of male and female teachers according to school, academic qualification and nationality during 1975/76 and 1975/76.

The document ended by reviewing the number of male and female teachers during 1975/76 in all institutes and schools divided into educationally qualified and educationally unqualified.

In Iraq


The document's introduction dealt with the function of education in our present age and showed how the political report of the Eighth Regional Conference of the Iraqi Socialist Ba'th Party held in 1974 reflected on the progress of education.

The document is subsequently divided into six parts.

Part 1 deals with the social and political philosophy of education and its aims. A review is made in this section of educational legislations, developments in the qualitative aspect of education, and developments in human capabilities and educational supervision.
The second part deals with the quantitative developments in all stages of education during 1974/75 and 1975/76. Here, the document elaborated on the developments experienced in the fields of kindergarten, primary education, secondary education, teacher training colleges and institutes, art and plastic art education and vocational education. The document also reviewed the outstanding characteristics and new trends in the quantitative growth of educational stages.

Part 3 reviews the course of action taken in fighting illiteracy, while the fourth part reviews the new major educational projects, such as the projected productive industrial schools, comprehensive secondary schools and youngsters' schools, the project of education for the sake of rural development and the projected literacy magazines.

Part 5 deals with the development which took place in the methods of planning, documentation and research, while the sixth part is concerned with achievements in the field of cooperation on pan-Arab and international levels.

A list of reference material is given at the end of the document.

In Jordan.


Having been a member of the Jordanian educational delegation which visited Romania in 1975, the writer drew a comparison between the major educational trends in Romania and Jordan.

Subjects included in his comparative study are: kindergarten, compulsory education, vocational activities in the compulsory stage, academic and vocational guidance, movement from the compulsory stage to the secondary stage, vocational education for girls, linking education to economic development plans, vocational secondary education, free education, educational supervision, production and scientific research and perpetual education.

The writer dealt, lastly, with the educational economic and social systems in both countries.
In Kuwait


This report, which consists of five parts, contains a set of statistical tables and charts which indicate the extent of progress experienced in education in Kuwait in 1974/75.

The first part shows the extent of increase occasioned in the number of boy and girl students, teachers and school buildings and the developments undergone by the budget of the Ministry of Education.

Part 2 reviews the educational accomplishments realized in kindergarten, primary education, intermediary and secondary education, art and vocational education, religious education, special education, adult education and literacy campaigns and institutes of special education, all during the school year 1974/75.

The third part gives account of the steps taken in the fields of services during the year under study, with special emphasis on curricula, text books, educational aids and facilities, planning and training, social services and school libraries.

Part 4 is concerned with the various aspects of educational activities, such as physical education, boy scouting, cultural relations, extracurricular activities and public relations.

The fifth and last part consists of a set of general statistics which demonstrate the progress achieved in the fields of education in the academic year 1974/75.

In Qatar


The writer began his article with citations from the Holy Quran in which the Islamic religion urges people to acquire learning. He also related how the blessed Prophet gave generous encouragement to scholars and praised learning. The writer further quoted philosophers, men of letters and wisemen who called upon people to seek knowledge and learning.
After emphasizing the role of women in Islam, the writer said that many poets have enthusiastically supported women education.

Concluding his article, the writer hailed the efforts of the Qatari Government in fighting illiteracy among those who have missed the train of learning, mentioning in this respect that the State has opened literacy centres, organized training sessions... etc. For the sake of combatting illiteracy.

In the Sudan


At the outset of his article, the writer related how the British separated Southern Sudan from its North in the early 1930's and, by contrast, related the accomplishments made by the first Sudanese Minister of Education who made Arabic the language of teaching in the South and who laid a centralized policy of education and established the first general secondary school.

The writer went on to relate the historical developments in the field of education in the South, explaining the policy of Sudanizing all governmental departments pursued by the first national Sudanese Government and the subsequent seizure by the Ministry of Education of all missionary schools putting them under its control.

After describing the developments of education in the Sudan from the time of the Military rule towards the end of 1958 and until the October Revolution, the writer explained the present educational plans and the status of the educational institutions in the South.

EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN ARAB COUNTRIES

After specifying the role of education in the making of humanity, the writer reviewed the role of humanity in economic and social development, showing the impact of colonialism on the economic development of territories under colonial domination and explaining the duty of other countries towards them.

The writer went on to define economic development and to show the various points which should be preserved and guarded by the newly-independent countries. She pointed to the role of education in providing the services needed by societies in order to improve and develop the standard of individual personalities.

After relating the difficulties and obstacles which confront developing countries in the fields of education, the writer described the trends which developing countries should adopt in order to develop human resources which constitute the core of all economic and social development.


This Conference dealt with the current educational problems and the political, economic and social issues connected therewith.

The papers and studies discussed in the Conference were classified to fall within the realm of four items: the present status of economic development in the Arab Fatherland, the new concept of economic and social development within the Arab socialist framework and an evaluation of the present state of education in the Arab Fatherland from the point of view of the socialist framework.

The papers presented in the Conference dealt with a new outlook to economic development within the socialist framework, the educational requirements of economic development, the role of education in the economic and social development, the role of modern educational technologies and the teacher's responsibility in socialist education.

The fourth item was the manner in which educational systems in the Arab Fatherland could be so changed as to push the development process in the socialist direction.

Concluding its activities, the Conference advanced recommendations centering around the aims and strategies of education, educational
policies, the role of scientific research in educational matters, the
content, essence and structure of education, the role of the teacher
and the need for an adequate follow-up machinery.

38. El-Negaihi, Mohamed Labib, "Dawr Al-Tarbiyah fil-Tanmiyah Al-Ijtima'iyyah Wal-Iqtisadiyyah Lil-Dawal Al-Nasiyeh", (The Role of
Education in the Social and Economic Development of Developing Countries).
Cairo, The Anglo-Egyptian Bookshop, 1976, 284 pages (The Educational
Library - 7).

In an introduction to his book, the author stressed the importance of
education to developing countries and showed its role in the economic
and social development of these countries.

The text of the book subsequently divided into thirteen chapters, the
first of which indicates the challenges to education in developing
countries and the second chapter reviews the social content of education.

Problems facing education for the sake of development in developing
countries are summarized in the third chapter.

Chapter 4 indicates the role of education in bringing about change and
renovation, while the fifth and sixth chapters deal with education for
the sake of economic, social, cultural and scientific development.

Chapter 7 explains the concept of non-functional education and indicates
how and when education becomes non-functional.

In the eighth chapter, an attempt is made to study the obstacles which
hinder education from becoming more effective and influential, with an
attention given to the ways in which such obstacles may be removed.

Chapter 9 is devoted to educational planning. It describes its
nature and the manner in which an educational plan may be worked
out.

While chapter 10 discusses the role of education in the overall
development plan, the eleventh chapter describes the steps to be
taken in order to devise a method consistent with the contemplated
aims.

Chapter 12 reviews the problems which enjoy priority in educational
research.
The thirteenth and last chapter indicates the ways and means which lead to the formulation of an educational theory for development.

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN KUWAIT


As an introduction to his article, the writer explained the new concept of education which treats it as a process of investment, productive of the human element. He showed how it relates to the economic expansion of Kuwait and underlined the need for coordination between education and economic life.

The writer went on to indicate the close relationships between the potential changes due to take place in vocational and industrial schools and in higher education and the changes occurring in the skills of the working population, saying that Kuwait is in need of a medium planning for a variety of types and levels of vocational and industrial training in order to meet the country's requirements of manpower in all vocational categories and at all levels of efficiency.

The writer also emphasized the need for a long term planning where future expectations and visualized results range between 10 and 15 years.

EDUCATION AND SOCIETY IN ARAB COUNTRIES


At the beginning of his article, the writer identified illiteracy as a social phenomenon, showed the relation between alphabetic illiteracy and explained the local and foreign social intercourses which had their bearing on the Iraqi society.
The writer went on to say that restricting educational aims to meeting the needs of the state has driven education as an institution to backwardness, disintegration and stagnation. He showed how the social changes undergone by Iraq have resulted in a huge influx of the rural population into cities and the immigration of large numbers of bedouins to villages. He explained the relation between this development and alphabetical illiteracy.

Following a review of the rate of illiteracy in Iraq from 1958 to 1976, the writer explained the consequences of a stagnant social structure.

Concluding his article, the writer explained the effect of widespread alphabetical and cultural illiteracy in the Iraqi society on the country’s increased economic and social backwardness.

A list of reference books in Arabic and foreign languages is appended to the article.

EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION IN ARAB COUNTRIES


After defining the science of administration, the writer talked on educational administration, explaining the skills which an efficient educational administrator should possess. He mentioned particularly the technical, human and perceptual skills saying that an educational administrator should be able to understand the scope of his duties.

According to the writer, three forces operate and influence decision-making in educational matters, namely, forces within the administrator, forces within the human nature and forces within the environment.

Concluding his article, the writer said that administration is a profession which has its own requirements.

This Symposium was organized pursuant to a resolution by the Second General Conference of the Arab Organization for Education, Culture and Sciences held in December 1971.

Three points were on the Symposium's agenda. The first point is to get familiar with the educational organization system in Arab countries. The second is to become familiar with the problems of school administration in these countries. The third is to get acquainted with the most modern trends in developing educational and school administration which lend themselves easily for application in Arab countries.

The report prepared by the Symposium consists of three sections, the first of which reviews the questionnaire sent to Ministries of Education in Arab countries in order to study the circumstances and problems of educational administration in them.

The second section comprises a concise review of the educational papers and studies read in the Symposium on educational administration and possibilities of development in Arab countries.

The Symposium's recommendations are given in the third and last section and are concerned with educational administration, requirements of the social change undergone by Arab countries and the administration's role in achieving the educational aims within the overall development programmes.

These recommendations did not overlook the problem of selecting and developing educational administration personnel and the modern trends in this particular field.

EDUCATIONAL AIDS IN THE STATE OF BAHRAIN


Beginning his article, the writer described the role played by the modern educational technology in improving the content and raising the efficiency of education.
He went on to relate the reasons which caused the Ministry of Education in Bahrain to develop the use of audio-visual aids in accordance with a well-designed and clear plan. The first step in the plan was to develop the utilization of educational films and to expand this type of activity. An account is given of the types of films made available and the various equipment and display screens provided.

The writer also described the training sessions organized by the Directorate of Educational Aids to train the Ministry's personnel on the utilization and preparation of educational aids. A review of the subjects dealt with in the training panels and symposia was made.

EDUCATIONAL BODIES AND ORGANIZATIONS
IN SAUDI ARABIA


This article is devoted for introducing the Centre of Oriental Studies which is one of the post-graduate branches of the Faculty of Arts of King Abdul Aziz University and which concentrates on Arabic studies, with special emphasis on Saudi Arabia.

An account is given of the Centre's aims, studies and requirements for obtaining the M.A. degree in a number of specialized subjects reviewed in the article.

Conditions of admission for Saudi and non-Saudi students are given at the end of this article.

45. The National Centre for Adult Education in Riyadh, "Al-Tawtheeq Al-Tarbawi" magazine, (Educational Documentation), Saudi Arabia, Issue No. 12, (October 1976), pp. 32-34.

This article introduces the National Centre for Adult Education in Riyadh and indicates its purposes being: to train the personnel engaged in adult education, to undertake studies and experiments in this field and to produce educational material suitable for adult education.
The article further described the role played by the Centre in organizing conferences and panels on adult education and in setting up training sessions for short or long terms in order to provide the necessary training for those engaged in the field of adult education. A review is made of the training programmes offered by the Centre.

The last part of the article is a review of the six departments to which the Centre is divided.

EDUCATIONAL BROADCASTS IN ARAB COUNTRIES

46. 'Abdul Kader, Salah (Editor), "Al-Iz'aat Al-Ta'leemiyyah fil-'Aalam Al-'Arabi" (Educational Broadcasts in the Arab World), Cairo, Al-Taqaddum Press, 1976, 50 pages.

This book compiles the papers submitted to the Arab Regional Conference on Educational Broadcasts held in Kuwait in March 1975.

In an introduction written by the Editor, he reviewed the efforts of Arab Ministries of Education, Arab Radio and TV Corporations and Regional Broadcasting Unions in organizing this Conference.

The text of the book is divided into four parts.

Part 1 deals with the role of educational broadcasts in the national development, the extent of Arab cooperation in school broadcasts and the contributions by the radio and TV in fighting illiteracy, in vocational training and in labour education.

The second part reviews the experience of Arab countries in the field of educational broadcasts. It also deals with the development of the educational programmes in the TV and the experience of Arab broadcasts in educational programmes.

Part 3 explains the relations between educational broadcasts and the educational authorities, while the fourth part indicates the means and way whereby a more effective cooperation between the various agencies engaged in educational broadcasts could be achieved.
EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES IN ARAB COUNTRIES


Following an introduction on the circumstances under which this conference was held, the place in which it held its meetings and the committees to which it was divided, the article reviewed the recommendations adopted by the Projects Committee and the nine Research Committees.

These recommendations dealt with the curricula of Islamic subjects in universities and the curricula of other subjects which make universities more capable of serving the society. They also emphasized the importance of cooperation between universities and industry in the field of science and technology.

Other recommendations dealt with the steps to be taken to make Arabic a universal language of teaching and administration in the Arab World, stressing the importance of writing text books in Arabic and the creation of a centre for translation, documentation and revival of Islamic heritage.

Further recommendations adopted underline the role of university education in industry and call for the creation of an organization for the coordination and orientation of research on a pan-Islamic level, with a special fund to support it.

Recommendations also dealt with the steps to be taken in connection with scientific libraries and documentation centres, the creation of coordinating bodies between manpower training organizations and employment organizations and the backing of certain training, educational and productive establishments which play a pioneering role in their respective fields of interest on a pan-Islamic level.


Following a review of the discussions which took place in the Conference and which revolved around the collaboration among the Arab Commissions for the UNESCO, the role and significance of these Commissions and
the formulation of a policy for common action for such Commissions, the writer reviewed the Conference's discussions on the targets which enjoy priority in the field of education in Arab countries.

The writer further reviewed the resolutions and recommendations adopted by the Conference in the light of the studies and discussions undertaken, dealing with the Centre of Coordination, its aims and functions, the role of the National Commissions in formulating and implementing UNESCO programmes, the ways of strengthening links of cooperation between the Commissions and the agencies engaged in fields of education, culture and information and the formulation of a policy for common action among these Commissions.

EDUCATIONAL DOCUMENTATION

In Arab Countries


- Paper presented to a Symposium on the Development of Educational Documentation and Information Agencies, Cairo, April 4-10, 1976.

Results of a questionnaire conducted by UNESCO's Regional Office for Education in Arab Countries. Document No. (1).

The Document begins with a table setting forth general information on the Educational Documentation Agencies which responded to the questionnaire conducted by UNESCO's Office for Education in Arab Countries, listing the countries whose reply to the questionnaire specified that they had no Documentation Agencies.

A second table shows statistical data for 1974 with regard to those countries which responded to the questionnaire. The table indicates the number of media available at each Documentation Centre, such as Arab and foreign books and periodicals, documents on file and audio-visual instruments. It also shows the number of employees and budgetary figures.

A third table gives detailed information on the mass media available at Arab countries' documentation centres.
The last table contains bibliographical information on each country as to its card catalogue system, the preparation of card catalogue indices and the systems of classification and analysis.

Commenting on the data contained in the comparative survey, the authors dealt with the various affiliations of the Documentation Agencies, their establishment and the number of employees working in them as well as the laws governing the depositing of publications in public libraries.

A review is also made of the various replies received from Arab countries on their data processing systems, with general remarks made on these replies and the extent of progress achieved since the earlier surveys of 1968 and 1972 were made.

The Document ends with some suggestions dealing with documentation.

In Iraq


This study deals with the various documentation agencies in Iraq.

The first agency to be dealt with by the author is the Centre of Scientific Documentation affiliated to the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. He described its functions, duties and accomplishments.

Moving to other documentation centres, the writer dealt with the National Centre for Archives affiliated to the Ministry of Information, describing its functions, duties and activities as well as the activities of the Arab Regional Branch of Archives.

The writer went on to deal with the other documentation centres affiliated to the Ministry of Information, such as public libraries. Here, he explained the Ministry's endeavours to develop a national system of information that would be linked to the various sectors of national economic development. In this connection, he reproduced the recommendations of the conference dealing with the requirements and plans of the national system of information.
The writer proceeded to talk on the public libraries affiliated to the Ministry of Interior's local administrative bodies.

He further dealt with the Ministry of Education's Centre for Educational Documentation and Information, showing its development and activities which include the preparation of studies, the indexing of the library, the issuance of its magazine, the daily bulletin containing the Ministry's news and activities in addition to the yearbook.

Concluding his study, the writer dealt with the ambitious plans for the future and the necessary procedures for development.

EDUCATIONAL DOCUMENTATION CENTRE
In Jordan


- Report submitted to the Conference of Educational Documentation, Cairo, April 4-10, 1976.

This report reviews the accomplishments of the Division of Educational Documentation in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. It begins with a historical background of the Division ever since it was created in 1964 and its development until the year 1975.

Following an account of the Division's functions, a review is made of its present status as to the number of employees, budget, files and filing system.

The report also explained the accomplishments of the Division in the fields of educational information, studies, reports, translations, publications, educational services and international cooperation. The report contains as well a review of the difficulties encountered by the Division in performing its duties, in addition to a review of the Division's policy.

An addendum is attached to the report indicating the various subdivisions of the Division of Educational Documentation and its publications.
In Saudi Arabia


At the beginning of this report, a review is made of the Centre for Statistical Data and Educational Documentation, its functions, activities, publications, bulletins and studies.

A description follows of the Centre's organization and various branches. In the branch of Statistical Data, the activities of the different sections are reviewed, which include the Section of Statistics, the Section of Automatic Tabulation and the Section of Statistical Studies.

On the other hand, the report reviewed the activities of the various sections included in the Educational Documentation Branch, being: the Library, the Translation Section, the Documentation Section and, lastly, the Secretariat.

The report contains a table showing the growth achieved in the number of pupils and teachers during the first 5-Year Plan.

In Syria


Reviewing the history of the Syrian Educational Documentation Centre belonging to the Ministry of Education in Damascus, the report described its activities and services ever since it was established in 1961 and reviewed the various stages of its growth.

It enumerated the problems faced by the Educational Documentation Centre which included the need to develop and modernize its activities, the necessity of training experts, the need for increasing the number of its personnel and the space needed for its expansion.

Suggestions were made for overcoming these problems. These included the organization of several new training sessions for the benefit of
the staff, the extension of aid to the Centre to help developing it materially and the provision of scholarships to its members to enable them to complete their studies and enhance their experience in documentation.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIMENTATION IN SAUDI ARABIA


This article reviews an experiment initiated by the Ministry of Education in Saudi Arabia in the Yarmouk School aimed at organizing study in the secondary stage.

Following an introduction on the historical background of this experiment, the reasons calling for it, the outcome of the discussions among experts and the methods of applying this new experiment, the writer explained the justifications for undertaking the experiment.

In this connection, he dealt with the need for eliminating any artificial segregation in outlook and treatment between knowledge seekers and putting information media responsible for the spread of knowledge and for meeting the needs and potential of regions and communities within the same country.

The writer enumerated the advantages of this experiment and showed the manner in which it was carried out, the sections to which the school was divided, the conditions of admission in the school and the manner in which the school schedule was divided among the various school subjects.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION IN ARAB COUNTRIES

55. "Al-Hajah ila Shabakah Iqlimiyyah Lil-'Ilam Al-Tarbawi fil-Bilad Al-'Arabiyyah Wa-Imkaniyyat Iqamatiba", (The Need for a Regional Network for Educational Information in Arab Countries and the Possibility of its Establishment), Beirut, UNESCO's Regional Office for Education in Arab Countries, 1976, 8 stencil pages.

- Paper presented to a Symposium on the Development of Educational Documentation and Information Agencies in Arab Countries, Cairo, April 4-10, 1976, Document No. (2).
The Document began with a statement on the object of its publication, then reviewed the information requirements for laying the foundation of an effective Arab Regional network for educational information.

After dealing with the problems of information which enjoy priority in the Arab region, the Document mentioned some points needed for the setting up of a regional network, showing the practical steps to be taken in this connection.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES IN THE SUDAN


This article represents a translation of the eleventh chapter in a report prepared by an English expert.

Dealing with the Institute of Bakht Al-Reda, the writer reviewed its functions and characteristics and described the process of its development until it reached its present state, using by way of demonstration some charts.

The first chart shows the historical development of Bakht Al-Reda from 1932 to 1950 with a review of its outstanding achievements during this period.

Chart 2 indicates the Institute's varied interests and how they fit in with the levels and types of education. It also shows the accomplishments made in such levels and types.

The third chart consists of a detailed map of Bakht Al-Reda and shows the various locations of schools and affiliated divisions.

Chart 4 shows the relation between Bakht Al-Reda and the administrative section of the Department of Education.

Each of these four charts is subject of a commentary.

The writer also described the Institute's location, size, development and functions carried to train teachers. He showed the advantage of having such an Institute established in a rural area.
Bakht Al-Rada's experience in preparing textbooks and training sessions and in copying ideas from other countries is related by the writer who explained how the Institute of Education of Bakht Al-Rada is related to the University of Khartoum.

EDUCATIONAL LEGISLATIONS

In Democratic Yemen


After explaining the concept of education in our present time and elaborating on the aims of self and social education, the writer commented on the aims contemplated by the Law of Education in Democratic Yemen (Law No. 26 issued on July 18, 1972) both as to self education and social education.

Pointing to the principles of modern education embodied in the Law and aimed at treating educational problems in Democratic Yemen, the writer mentioned perpetual education and described its meaning as used in the Law and mentioned the functions of the educational administration entrusted with the task of supervising the pursuance of the educational policy consistently with the State's general aims.

The writer went on to mention the scientific bases and educational principles on which the Law rests, saying that at the First Educational Conference, educators attempted to put the Articles of this Law in practice, particularly those articles which deal with curricula and teacher training.

In Iraq


Following a quotation from the Political Report of the Ba'th Revolution specifying the responsibilities of the educational machinery and after indicating the efforts deployed by the Ministry of Education to
put this quoted paragraph into effect, the Communiqué listed the reasons which motivated the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council to abolish the public examinations of the primary stage held by the Ministry in the school year 1976/77.

The Communiqué further explained the controls, criteria and methods whereby teachers would exercise full and continuous measures of evaluation throughout the school year to substitute the abolished public examination.


A Law decreeing compulsory education was promulgated in eighteen articles by the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council.

According to the provisions of this Law, education in the primary stage is rendered free of charge and parents are obligated to send their children to primary schools.

The Law specifies the responsibility of the Ministry of Education for the formulation of the educational policy and for the other educational institutions in the country. It also specifies the responsibility of local administrative bodies in providing the material and human possibilities required for the implementation of the compulsory education plan in the primary stage.

Provision is made in the Law for the financing of the compulsory education plan, for school buildings and for the promotion of studies and research on compulsory education.

According to the Law, children under compulsory age are required to be counted one year ahead of their enrolment in schools by way of compulsion. Also the numbers of children failing to join schools upon reaching the age of compulsion are to be counted.

The Law further provides for expansion in special education and fixes the effective date of compulsory education and provides for the issuance of a declaration by the Minister of Education specifying the regions in which compulsory education is to be carried out.

Parents and guardians of pupils who fail to register shall be summoned. Exemption from penalties is granted in special cases.
The Law provides for the non-employment of juveniles and stipulates the penalties applicable in the event of violating its provisions.

The Law stipulates for its enforcement and for the issuance the regulations for implementing it.

Finally, the causes for the issuance of this Law are explained.

In Jordan


This Law consists of six articles.

Article 1 defines the Law's designation and specifies its date of enforcement.

The second article provides for the abolition of the Preparatory Certificate, while Article 3 specifies the Ministry's responsibility in determining the conditions of admission in the secondary stage.

Article 4 indicates the amendments introduced by this Law to the Law of Education No. 16 of 1964.

The fifth article specifies the new articles which superseded Articles 55 and 56 of Law No. 16 of 1964 dealing with the General Secondary Certificate examination, its procedures, the conditions governing the grant of this Certificate and the fees payable by candidates sitting for this examination.

The sixth and last article provides for the repealing of paragraph (6) of Article 58 of Law No. 16 of 1964 and sets forth the substituting text which deals with the problem of challenging the results and procedures of the General Secondary Certificate examinations.
After defining the aims of education in any given Arab country, the writer said that education purports to realize social efficiency, social justice and economic justice.

The writer went on to deal with the condition of education in the Arab World, its requirements and the crisis through which it passes, showing how the content of education is affected by these circumstances, both as to quality and as to quantity.

He then reviewed the major concepts which dominated the educational philosophy and its applications in the Arab World from the point of view that education is secluded from any social context, from the angle of economy and, lastly, from the point of view that education is a continuous process.

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

In Arab Countries

Following an explanation of the concept of higher educational planning, the writer showed how it would help Arab countries in attaining their aims and indicated the present needs of a revolutionary society in these countries.

After reviewing the principles to be adopted in planning for higher education in order to ensure that the educational process is carried out on a sound scientific basis, the writer described the structure of civil servants in Arab countries and how it developed and pointed to the steps to be taken in educational planning as regards their timing and economics.
Referring to the basic factors in planning for higher education in Arab countries, the writer mentioned statistics, showing their importance, discussed the principle of democracy as a basis for the planning process and emphasized the interactions between education and the society. He also showed the extent to which educational facts are interdependent, then discussed planning and educational and cultural socialism.

Concluding his article, the writer gave a comprehensive definition of educational planning.

In Iraq


Vol. I - Supervision of Primary Schools.

The introduction to this document explains that educational supervision is one of the variables of the educational process and shows the role exercised by supervision in improving the quality of primary education. The text of the document is subsequently divided into four parts.

The first part deals with contemporary trends in educational supervision, showing their aims and functions, the characteristics of the educational supervisor and the requirements for his selection and training. It also indicates the machinery and bodies which should be active in this respect.

Parts 2 and 3 deal with the status of educational supervision in the primary schools of Iraq and evaluate it in the light of contemporary trends.

The fourth and last part explains the suggested plans for developing educational supervision in the primary schools of Iraq, indicates the principles and aims of the latest plan for educational development, shows its quantitative estimates and describes its specific trends.

A set of appendices are attached showing the number of present and prospective supervisors and the Arabic and foreign references consulted in this document.
In the Sultanate of Oman


Having defined irregular education and showing to what extent it related to adult education, the writer enumerated the reasons for which the problem of illiteracy has fallen down at very insignificant rates in spite of the efforts exerted by the developing countries in general and Arab countries in particular to eradicate it.

Reviewing the UNESCO's project for developing and planning education in Oman, the writer indicated the role which the irregular expert is required to play in this respect.

The writer went on to describe the conditions of education in the Sultanate of Oman, showing the volume of the problem of illiteracy, the progress in adult education and the number of students enrolled in the various literacy centres in the Sultanate.

After reviewing the new concept of adult education as contained in the UNESCO's project for the eradication of illiteracy, the writer indicated the elements which should be taken into consideration, saying that the project should involve a brief and urgent plan and a detailed plan for a period ranging from six to nine months.


After describing personality traits and showing the methods whereby one person is distinguished from another, the writer described the characteristic behavior of an extrovert pupil showing how he attempts to establish numerous relationships with other people adding that he is known to be flexible and excels in social intelligence.
Introvert pupils, on the other hand, are characteristically known for their internally-oriented activities, establishing social relationships of a deep and profound nature and possessing an ability to be creative.

Concluding his article, the writer related the findings obtained from an experimental study he had conducted on a sample of primary school pupils, showing how the introverts and the extroverts reacted to an academic curriculum of a medium degree of difficulty.

EDUCATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS IN JORDAN


Following an explanation of what is meant by class interaction and an indication of the role it plays in determining the mutual behaviour of the teacher and his pupils in the classroom, the writer showed the extent to which a teacher influences his pupils in class, whether directly or indirectly. He also showed the extent to which such influence changes according to educational situations and differs from one teacher to another.

Discussing the laws of class interaction, the writer described the role of both the teacher and the pupils, emphasizing the importance of students' performance in such interaction and their success in pursuing it.

Lastly, the writer dealt with the role of the school with its various classes, being a social institution. He also dealt with the class community which represents a social structure exposed to a large number of influencing factors mentioned by the writer. He showed how types of conduct are developed as a result of these factors.


Beginning her study, the writer stated how she felt there existed a problem of misunderstanding regarding various situations on the part
of school mistresses or girl students, creating an unhealthy atmosphere and causing differences in opinion between them.

The writer then explained the aims of her study and the methods adopted to gather the necessary information. Upon analysing the collected information, the writer determined the factors which caused this phenomenon and advanced her own hypotheses for doing away with this problem.

She called for open discussions between school mistresses and girl students, describing her own experience in this respect and showing the results obtained from this experiment.

EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH

In Arab Countries


The writer began his article with an indication of the importance of cooperative action in the face of educational problems, showing the advantages of the method of action-orienting research.

Explaining the value of educational research, the writer showed how it provides men of research with certain personal attributes and intellectual characteristics. He reviewed its impact on enhancing educational effectiveness, improving curricula and enriching teaching methods.

After reviewing the presuppositions which make educational research both beneficial and acceptable, the writer dealt with traditional educational research as contrasted with action-orienting research, showing the differences between both methods.

He went on to explain the method and procedure of action-orienting research, stressing the value of cooperative work in this process.

Concluding his article, the writer enumerated the moral qualities required in teachers practicing action-orienting research.

The article started with a definition of educational research, following which the writer dealt with the trends of educational research being: descriptive, analytical, experimental and appraisal.

Dealing with the aims of educational research, the writer enumerated the major fields of research, specifically evaluation of general educational targets, curricula and school examinations, analysis of examinations, undertaking field experiments and compilation of data on the educational problems and the status of education.

Methods of educational research explained by the writer include questionnaires, interviews, observation of the process of education and experimentation. He mentioned the prerequisites for a successful educational research.

At the end of his article, the writer dealt with the basics of educational research, concentrating on the stating of the problem, the careful choice of the samples, the use of reliable tools in collecting data, the familiarity with principles of educational statistics, the examination of differences through use of statistics and the proper designing of the experiment.

In Jordan


After defining action-orienting research as a new method which links proficiency development to work itself, the writer indicated the significance of this method in deducing facts and detecting skills through which problems could be solved and appropriate solutions for them could be devised in fields of education.

The writer went on to review the presuppositions of the action-orienting research, dealing with each of the various stages which organize the programme of this method of research and reviewing the steps involved in each of these stages.
In the first stage, the writer dealt with the determination of the problem and its formulation in a fashion lending itself readily to research. He also dealt with the formulation of the research's hypotheses and the elements to be taken into considerations in the latter formulation.

In the second stage, the writer dealt with the designing of research tools, such as questionnaires, interviews and meetings designed for developing the research. He described as well specimens of other tools of research, such as observation, surveys and comparison.

In the third stage of research, the writer dealt with the manner in which hypotheses may be tested and data compiled, and analysed.

Concluding his article, the writer explained how programmes of action-orienting research may be organized and showed the importance of cooperative work in this respect.

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS
In Arab Countries


The aims of the Bulletin and the methods used in compiling its material are set forth in its introduction.

The Bulletin's first of four parts contains educational statistics of the Arab homeland, both as to quantity and as to quality.

Part 2 consists of general statistics on general and higher education in the Arab homeland.

The third part contains a statistical analysis of education in the Arab homeland, while Part 4 explains the detailed results obtained from the statistical analysis of general and university education in the Arab homeland.

Statistics are grouped in sets dealing with the number of schools as to their type and nature in the various educational stages, the
The Bulletin further contains appendices and charts on students' density and the ratio of students to the number of population in each Arab country in the various stages of education.

In Bahrain


Following an introduction on the importance of statistics to men of research and students of the educational system in Bahrain, the document gave a historical background of the islands of Bahrain and their educational progress.

Statistics contained in this document are divided into thirteen parts.

Part one consists of statistics on the population, educational expenditure, schools, students, personnel of the educational machinery and the Ministry's administrative set up, school buildings and schools' transportation facilities.

The second part contains statistics on primary education showing the number of pupils, classrooms and teachers.

While Part 3 deals with preparatory education, Part 4 is concerned with statistics on general secondary education.

The fifth part contains statistics on technical, industrial and commercial education, evening vocational training centres and the Gulf Industrial College.

Part 6 reviews statistics on high education, whether as to the number of students or as to graduates, scholars and external students following courses in foreign universities.

The seventh part contains statistics on religious education for boys only, while Part 8 reviews the number of pupils and teachers in non-governmental schools.
In the ninth part, statistics are given on the number of blind pupils studying in Al-Nur (Light) Institute for the Blind.

Part 10 is concerned with the number of participants in training panels and symposia divided according to the place and topic of the panel.

The eleventh part shows the number of classes and enrolment in literacy centres and the number of supervisors and teachers in them.

Statistics contained in Part 12 show the examination results of the general secondary, commercial and industrial certificates.

The thirteenth part consists of cultural statistics on the number of employees, books and periodicals in the public library and its branches as well as the number of book-borrowers according to sex during 1975.

In Saudi Arabia


The Document contains statistical tables on education in Saudi Arabia during the last six years.

These tables include statistics on kindergarten, teachers and administrators, on the primary stage and on both the intermediary and secondary stages, on men and women teacher training institutes and centres for complementary studies, on the schools where the Quran is memorized and on the technical, private and high education.

Some tables are also devoted to classes, students, teachers and administrators in popular culture schools.

In conclusion, statistics of the budget of education, its development over the years under consideration and its proportion to the State Budget are also given.
In Syria


This document consists of a set of statistical tables indicating the extent of development of education and examinations in the Syrian Arab Republic during the school year 1975/76.

Following an introduction showing the importance of this document to men of research and indicating the development of the budgets of the various stages and types of education from 1960-1976, the annual cost per pupil in the 5-Year Plan of 1971/76, the development in the number of pupils in all stages of education from 1966/67 to 1975/76, a set of statistics on the population of Syria and the proportion of pupils to the population were given.

The text of the document falls into seven parts.

Part 1 contains statistics on primary education which are divided into three sets namely, governmental primary education, private primary education and UNRWA primary education.

The second part consists of statistics on preparatory education and are divided along the same lines of the primary education statistics.

Part 3 is concerned with secondary education statistics, while the fourth part comprises statistics on technical, industrial, women and commercial education.

In the fifth part are given statistics dealing with the development of education sponsored by other Ministries, such as the Shar'i education sponsored by the Ministry of Waqfs (Religious Endowments) and the agricultural education.

Part 6 contains statistics men and women teacher training colleges, intermediate institutes for teacher training, institutes of industrial training and physical education institutes.

The seventh and last part reviews the results of annual and public examinations in the school year 1975/76.
EDUCATIONAL SUPERVISION IN JORDAN

75. "Al-Ishraf Al-Tarbawi kama Yarahu Al-Mu'allimoun; Dirasah Maidaniyyah", (Educational Supervision as Viewed by Teachers; A Field Study), prepared by the Section of Educational Supervision of the Ministry of Education in Jordan, "Risalat Al-Mu'allim", (Teacher's Mission), 19th year, Issue No. 4, (October-December 1976), pp. 6-10.

This study began with a review of the problem of educational supervision and indicates the need for using new methods consistent with the new concept of educational supervision approved by 'Aqabah Educational Conference.

Reviewing the questionnaire prepared to survey the opinion of teachers on the manner in which each method of supervision is utilized, the study indicated the value of each method of supervision, the teachers' opinion on the various changes undergone by supervision as compared with the supervisory process to which they are used.

A review is made of the outcome of the field study arranged in order of priorities and tabulated in tables, the contents of which were analysed.

A further review is made of the outcome of the study as regards the methods recently used in supervision, giving the teachers' views and subjecting these views to analysis in order to compare the old methods of supervision to the useful new methods.

An account is given of the observations made by teachers on the programme of supervision and the outstanding fields in which changes were effected.

At the end of the study, the teachers' views on the present status of supervision, being an overall democratic process or a process of educational supervision centering around the teacher or a process of inspection aimed at holding teachers responsible are given.

The rate of change in educational supervision was calculated in order to determine to what extent teachers are aware of it.
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

In the Democratic Republic of Yemen


Having stressed the importance of English language teaching in Yemeni schools and enumerating the factors which resulted in a weak standard in these schools, the writer advanced suggestions designed to provide a speedy remedy to this weakness.

In this connection, he emphasized the need for giving thorough training to men and women teachers, whether in teacher training colleges or in the Faculty of Higher Education as well as to outstanding men and women teachers in primary schools.

Dealing with the curriculum, the writer showed how he conceives it, mentioning the elements to be taken into consideration at the time of preparing the text books used in Yemen. He also dealt with teaching methods, describing the new methods now applied.

Concluding his article, the writer held men and women teachers responsible for finding solutions for the low standard of English language among pupils.

In Kuwait


Having indicated the aspects of teaching English as a foreign language in Kuwait which do not receive adequate attention, the writer showed how this negligence has resulted in a low standard of teaching.

The writer went on to say that there are wrong ideas about the teaching of English which impair its progress. It is the duty of the teacher to undermine these wrong ideas, he added.
Wrong ideas, in the opinion of the writer, are the outcome of the vagueness or non-identification of the aims of English teaching. Describing the teaching methods in Kuwait, whether adopted or suggested, the writer showed it would be utterly wrong to lay emphasis on form rather than on content.

Reviewing some aspects of language teaching, the writer dealt with audio-visual aids, methods of evaluation and testing, objective and traditional examination methods and the so-called article writing method. He also dealt with text books, resumes and translation.

Referring to some solutions, whether conventional or suggested, the writer said the wrong ideas could be done away through postgraduate studies, utilization of text books which contain a variety of methods that do not check the teacher's initiative and organizing panels and symposia for exchanging views and discussing modern trends.

In Qatar


After emphasizing the importance of learning foreign languages in general and English in particular in our age, which is an age of rapprochement and understanding between nations, the writer reviewed the stages through which English language teaching in Qatar has developed.

The writer then reviewed the new pilot plan which the Ministry of Education intends to implement, supported by all available expertise.

He also described the symposium held by the Ministry in Doha for discussing the methods of developing English language teaching, reviewing the topics discussed and the recommendations adopted.

These recommendations, which will serve as a basis for the required development, dealt with the shortcomings of English language teaching in the schools of Qatar, the possibility of enhancing the effectiveness of language teaching, the variable trends in language teaching, the ideas and principles to be embodied in the curricula, the on-job training of teachers, examinations and the cultural content of English text books.
ERADICATION OF ILLITERACY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
IN ARAB COUNTRIES


Following an introduction on the deep gap between advanced and developing countries in the field of knowledge and in the discovery of knowledge, the writer showed the extent to which Arab cultural heritage is receptive to knowledge.

The writer went on to review the pillars of economic development, stressing the importance of developing human resources and pointing to the role of planning in this respect. He also emphasized the need for utilizing petroleum proceeds in developing human resources, indicating the relation between literacy campaigns and economic development.

After reviewing the economic and social return of literacy campaigns, the writer discussed the inadequate programmes for developing education and fighting illiteracy, saying that imperialism, to which developing countries were exposed, has had its effect on such development.

In conclusion, he enumerated the principal features of the war waged against illiteracy in Iraq which make this war a planned and overall national campaign.

ERADICATION OF ILLITERACY
Conferences in Arab Countries


The general discussions of this Conference revolved around the following subjects: the political proportions of the overall national campaign
against illiteracy, the pan-Arab action in the national campaign for eradicating illiteracy, the new strategy for wiping out illiteracy, the relation between the overall economic development plans and the war against illiteracy, women's role in the illiteracy campaign, the variables influencing the national campaign against illiteracy and the incentives needed therefor, the educational curricula and renovations required in an overall national campaign against illiteracy, the training of the indigenous staff required for wiping out illiteracy and a review of the world's experience in the field of fighting illiteracy.

Recommendations adopted by the Conference included recommendations for a strategy of literacy campaigns, for the administrative machinery needed to ensure successful work in fighting illiteracy, for the necessary programmes of action and how to follow them up, for the training of the personnel and the preparation of curricula and text books and for the material and social incentives which would guarantee the waging of successful campaigns against illiteracy.


At the beginning of this document, a telegram addressed by the Conference to the Resident of the Republic was reproduced. It gave a brief account of the Conference's national and pan-Arab aims.

The text of the Document itself fell into two parts.

Part 1 contained a review of the Conference's aims and tasks, a list of the Committees formed within the Conference and the names of participants. It also gave a general review of the Conference's trends and recommendations and an account of the discussions which took place in it.

A number of appendices were appended, containing the names of participants, the Conference's agenda and the Committees' reports.

Part 2 consists of a set of the papers and studies presented in the Conference and dealing with the social and economic return of illiteracy campaigns, the strategy of fighting illiteracy, the curricula and text books used in literacy campaigns, the new educational devices applied in eradicating illiteracy, the material requirements for wiping out illiteracy and the experience of other countries in fighting illiteracy, such as China and Cuba.
Curricula - Iraq


In their introduction, the writers defined both kinds of literacy campaigns, the traditional one and the functional. They explained why the traditional type has been a failure.

After reviewing the modern concept of curricula and the general and specific aims of literacy curricula, the writers described the differences between students covered by the overall national campaign against illiteracy as to their age, sex and economic and social background, adding that these differences should be taken into consideration at the time of preparing the curricula and text books utilized in literacy classes.

The writers went on to show how knowledge of modern theories of education has its bearing on the selection of courses, activities and teaching methods, indicating the procedure whereby learning experiences which students are required to acquire may be selected.

They also showed how the contents of curricula may be organized and what criteria may be used in such organization.

Following a review of the characteristics which literacy instructors should possess, the writers concluded their article saying that the present text books used in literacy centres should be developed and new books should be written in the light of the criteria mentioned in the article.

They ended their article with a list of Arabic and foreign references consulted in the compilation of their material.
In Arab Countries


Following a review of the fundamentals of the problem of education and its various aspects and a discussion on contemporary civilization and the relation between human knowledge and democracy of learning, the writer dealt with illiteracy, explaining its meaning and describing its features and sources.

Discussing the problem of illiteracy in Arab countries and indicating its percentage in each country, the writer explained why the percentage of illiterates differs from one country to another. In this connection, he related the outcome of the experiments undertaken in Saudi Arabia, the State of Kuwait, the State of Qatar and the United Arab Emirates to stem the tide of illiteracy. He also described the efforts exerted by Iraq in the compulsory eradication of illiteracy, showing the role played by popular initiative in this respect.

Concluding his article, the writer pointed to the method whereby pan-Arab action may be taken to wipe out illiteracy.


After pointing to the role played by the human element in the national economic development, the writer stressed the importance of education as an investment having bearing on the economic and productive activity.

The writer went on to review the difficulties encountered in measuring the economic development of education and described the relationship between education and brain work. He then reviewed the studies undertaken to determine the impact of age, period of service and education on skill.
In the latter part of his article, the writer dealt with economic development in the Arab World as it relates to education and illiteracy, showing how the sudden wealth which appeared in some Arab countries has been influential in changing the economic and social structure of these countries. He also showed how the adoption of planning as a method and style was operative in the realization of economic development.

The writer further reviewed the needs created as a result of the increased rates of development in Arab countries, describing the extent of interest shown in education by Arab countries and the obstacles hindering education from performing its task in creating the human elements needed for economic development.

In this part of his article, the writer indicated the economic return from eradicating illiteracy, saying that the bad effect of illiteracy lies in its being an obstacle to progress.


After explaining the aims sought by the writer from writing this article, he gave a definition of life-time perpetual education and the integrative approach to problems, then showed the volume and causes of the phenomenon of illiteracy and indicated how illiteracy affects societies and their economic development and progress.

The writer went on to describe the condition of illiteracy in the Arab society, giving its percentage and showing how it contributes to the society's backwardness.

Touching upon illiteracy in the Iraqi community, the writer mentioned its causes and described how widespread it is. He also showed the manner in which the Iraqi Revolution dealt with this problem saying that literacy campaigns should be combined with systematic education in an integrative effort and adding that both the systematic education and the spread of illiteracy in Iraq are interrelated, with each of them affecting the other.
He reviewed the comprehensive method whereby sources of illiteracy may be sealed off within the framework of an overall educational outlook.

Dealing with primary education, the writer called for its compulsory enforcement on all children and the treatment of the phenomenon of dropouts and failures, whether in the regular scholastic system or in literacy centres.

Concluding his article, the writer stressed the need of giving special attention to lads (between the age of 10 and 15), saying that systematic education should combine its efforts with the literacy campaigns in order to put a final end to the problem of illiteracy.


Beginning his article, the writer showed how the introduction of writing and printing and the utilization of electrical machines have been influential in the dissemination of information, in communications and in education.

After reviewing the criteria by which the effectiveness of the teaching system is measured, the writer talked on the new devices introduced in the campaign against illiteracy in Arab countries, such as the television, programmed education (which is also effective in follow-up illiterates), the application of the results of international research in literacy campaigns, the utilization of audiovisual aids in adult education and the introduction of package and bag deals as a new system of education.

In conclusion, the writer showed how traditional education affects the newly-introduced educational devices.

After explaining some general trends explaining the meaning of illiteracy and indicating the share of illiteracy appertaining to the population of developing countries, the writer mentioned certain factors which help in placing the phenomenon of illiteracy in its proper perspective and in giving it its true dimensions.

The writer went on to show the difference between adult education and the eradication of illiteracy, giving the reasons which justify the campaigns launched against illiteracy.

He suggested that the eradication of illiteracy should be treated as a preparatory or transition stage in a system of adult education which would culminate in the grant of some certificates and diplomas.

The writer argued that it would be preposterous to enact a legislation forcing illiterates to attend literacy classes, adding it would be more appropriate to provide circumstances which would make illiterates feel the need for acquiring the ability to read and write.

After reviewing the efforts deployed to fight illiteracy and showing the attitude of illiterates towards them, the writer enumerated the guidelines for a successful campaign against illiteracy.

In Iraq


After giving the scientific definition of strategy, the writer dealt with illiteracy among adults (15 years and above) in Arab countries and in other regions of the world in 1970 and the forecast of the number and percentage of adult illiterates in Arab countries until the year 1990, reproducing statistical tables to demonstrate his argument.

Reviewing the efforts exerted by the Government of Iraq in fighting illiteracy, the writer described the signposts on the road to combatting illiteracy in Iraq, saying that the overall national campaign waged by the Government is aimed at reaching a large number of illiterates, with the aid of all national and popular energies available and
the provision of all material and scientific possibilities needed for this campaign.

Towards this end, Iraq has given reconsideration to the classical methods employed in fighting illiteracy, fixed a carefully studied time limit for the campaign, adopted planning as basis for any action in fighting illiteracy, developed a system of incentives and controls for the campaign, emphasized propaganda and popular awareness, reconsidered legislations governing the campaign against illiteracy and decided to realize full compulsory education in the primary stage in the next few years to be eventually extended to subsequent stages.


This article falls into six parts.

Part 1 begins with an introduction outlining the topics covered in this article and linking them to an earlier study on the same subject by the same author.

In this part, the writer gives a definition of the term "strategy" and describes the gigantic nature of the problem of illiteracy. He shows how the educational policy in Iraq has changed its approach to the campaign against illiteracy, describes the present efforts made in the field of fighting this social scourge and points to future prospects.

Part 2 deals with the relations between the community (with its social, economic, cultural and political aspects) and the declared war against illiteracy. In this connection, the writer discussing the following subjects: the need for basing anti-illiteracy efforts on a social philosophy; the need for combining the campaign against illiteracy with the overall economic development efforts; the need for emphasizing the democratic content of the literacy campaign; and the need for realizing an adjustment between the war against illiteracy and the movement of the society and for developing action against illiteracy within the framework of the society.
The third part of the article deals with the elements of strategy contemplated for educational fields, showing the nature of the war against illiteracy, the basic methods of education, the relation between the literacy campaign and school education and the trends of literacy programmes, their basic elements and the general principles for their development.

Part 4 deals with the elements of educational strategy in fields of organization. Subjects dealt with in this part are: the role of popular organizations in the overall campaign for eradicating illiteracy; the need for developing the legislations governing literacy campaigns; the organization of the necessary propaganda for the campaign against illiteracy and the provision of the human and material sources required for the campaign.

The fifth part deals with the preparation of a full-fledged plan for fighting illiteracy and shows the manner in which such plan may be worked out.

The sixth and last part consists of an outline of the topics dealt with in the article.

A list of Arabic and foreign-language references consulted by the writer in compiling his material is given at the end of the article.

In Jordan:


In a historical synopsis on the development of adult education and its regulating laws in Jordan, the writer reviewed the various endeavours aimed at wiping out illiteracy, mentioning those undertaken by the Government, by private organizations and by the Higher Committee for Adult Education and Eradication of Illiteracy, mentioning as well the legislations connected therewith.

After indicating the proportions of the problem in the light of the latest census taken of the population and the percentage of illiterates, the writer reviewed the present curricula and educational material used in centres of adult education and literacy campaigns and described the syllabi followed and the teacher training sessions organized.
for the benefit of the centre's instructors, touching upon the budgetary appropriations allocated for this purpose.

The writer went on to review the various projects and programmes of literacy campaigns in Jordan, mentioning in this respect the projected evening classes, the selective plan for eradicating illiteracy in Al-Buq'ah Camp, the pilot plan for educating labourers, the field symposium of functional education and industrial development and the 10-year plan for fighting illiteracy.

Concluding his article, the writer reviewed the efforts exerted by the charitable societies in fighting illiteracy indicating the difficulties encountered in teaching adults in Jordan.

Future prospects of literacy campaign in Jordan were not overlooked by the writer who described the future awaiting Jordan as a result of the efforts exerted in this field.


At the outset of his article, the writer indicated the aims of literacy centres in companies and factories and showed how illiteracy affects the development process.

The writer went on to explain the aims sought from the eradication of illiteracy, saying that literacy develops the worker's mentality, facilitates dialogue between the management and the labourers and awakens the conscience of the workmen to perfect their work.

Explaining the study conducted by him to determine the labourers' motives to economic development and literacy, the writer described the method used in his study, the sample chosen for the research and the questionnaire conducted among the sample labourers.

After reviewing the outcome of the questionnaire to which labourers responded, and stating the results expected from this study, the writer reviewed the complaints voiced by labourers, showing the difficulties they face in literacy classes.

A summary of the article served as a conclusion.
In the Sudan


After giving some statistical data on the Sudan's area, its proportionate area to the entire area of the African continent, its population and their characteristics, the various categories of the population and their percentage in the general census and the extent of contribution made by these categories to national production and income, the writer reviewed the developments brought about by the endeavours to fight illiteracy and the efforts exerted and being exerted to combat people's illiteracy since 1948 and until 1969, mentioning all local, regional and international attempts made during these years to stress the functional aspects of fighting illiteracy.

The writer went on to mention the new trends in this field since 1969 as well as some of the principles which conduct the strategy of fighting illiteracy in the Sudan as to their content and performance.

Concluding his article, the writer reviewed the national programme formulated for the eradication of illiteracy which was initiated in 1975 and spreads over four years, describing its basis, long and short term aims, work plan, levels of training and the institutions responsible for the implementation of this programme.

EVALUATION IN ARAB COUNTRIES


The writer began his article with an explanation of the types of evaluation and measurement, showing their importance and advantages.

Commenting on the relation between evaluation and the function of a modern school, the writer explained first the meaning and aims of evaluation, then indicated the difference between evaluation and measurement, showed the difficulties encountered by both and mentioned the principal requirement for an efficient evaluation of pupils.
The writer emphasized the need for a continuous process of evaluation throughout the period of study, saying that evaluation should be comprehensive and should be carried out through a cooperative effort on the part of all those concerned.

EXAMINATIONS

In Iraqi Primary Schools


As an introduction to his article, the writer gave a definition of examinations and indicated their shortcomings, showing their weak points and inadequacy as revealed by the present system of examinations in the light of their aims and purposes.

The writer went on to enumerate the causes which led the Ministry of Education in Iraq to abolish the public examinations held for the primary stage.

After citing his own suggestions regarding the controls to be exercised as a means of evaluation following the abolition of examinations, the writer stressed the importance of this move from an educational point of view, whether as regards the pupil or the teacher and the Ministry of Education.

Concluding his article, he called on teachers to assume their duties in ensuring that the experiment of abolishing examinations in the primary stage comes to a successful conclusion.

In Jordan

The writer started his article with a review of the problem he wishes to study, showing how he feels towards it and explaining some of the concepts, methods and procedures utilized by him.

He went on to describe the assumptions used in his survey and related the previous studies which aimed at treating the problem of anxiety in examinations.

The writer described his assumptions, the questionnaire prepared by him and showed how he collected the necessary data to find out to what extent anxiety is correlative to examinations.

Furthermore, the writer conducted sessions with his samples from which he concluded that relaxation is a successful treatment of anxiety.

As evidence of the progress realized by the sample-student, the writer listed the grades obtained in all subjects in three successive stages.

In Preparatory Schools - Jordan


This Circular consists of two clauses.

The first clause sets forth the Minister's Resolution in connection with the requirements for sitting for the third year preparatory annual examination in 1976 by those pupils who are not enrolled in regular schools and who sat for the General Preparatory Certificate Examination of 1974/75.

The clause also indicates the necessary procedure for permitting eligible pupils to sit for that examination.

Clause 2 of the Circular sets forth the Minister's Resolution for examining those pupils who are not covered by the provisions of the preceding clause.
In Saudi Arabia


Beginning his article, the writer indicated the function of examinations and mentioned some of their aspects which could be subjected to a profitable and fruitful study, thus revealing a number of important factors inherent in examinations.

In this connection, he called for conducting a serious study of the examination dates, the time allotted for each subject, the system of testing, the examination sheet, the subjects contained in a questions' sheet, the wording of questions, the general arrangement of the questions' sheet, the answering sheets, the system of grading and the grades allowed for class work during the year.

Concluding his article, the writer pointed to the results which could be obtained from such a study showing how any such study may be made to serve its purposes.


The writer began his article with an introduction in which he explained his aims in throwing light on the new Regulation for Examinations issued in Saudi Arabia, comparing it to the previous Regulation.

In this connection, he observed that the old Regulation treated the school year as one entity, while in the new Regulation, the school year is divided into terms and semesters, which helps pupils to study the curricula in instalments.

He also observed that the old Regulation laid all emphasis on the final examination at the end of the year, whereas the new Regulation provided for periodical examinations spread out over the school year. The writer showed the educational effect of this step on pupils.
The new Regulation, the writer added, gives special interest to the teacher's role in the teaching process and in the evaluation of pupils.

Concluding his article, the writer mentioned that public examinations and certificates represented the sole interest of the old Regulation while the newly-issued Regulation gave equal attention to both the annual examinations and the public certificates examinations.

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION - JORDAN


In this article, the writer described a field study he had undertaken on the subject of excellence and retardation of pupils. He began with an indication of his aims and a description of the method utilized in carrying out this survey. He explained how he chose his sample, indicating its size and the method whereby he reached his conclusions.

The writer showed how excellence and retardation are influenced by the cultural factors, the parents' cultural standard, the circumstances prevailing at home, the number of rooms in the house, the economic factors, the family's monthly salary, the health factors, the sample's friends and the number of friends the sample has.

The conclusions reached by the writer from his field study is that excellence is the outcome of comfortable conditions at home, high educational standard of parents, high family income, good health of the pupil, established social relationships and maintenance of friendships.

EXPRESSION - TEACHING METHODS - IRAQ


After explaining the place of expression among the various branches of languages and enumerating the aims sought from the teaching of expression and the types of literary expression, the writer listed the method of training on verbal expression and described the most important shapes of written expression.
According to the writer, training on expression should be organized in three sessions corresponding to the sessions of study in schools.

The first session includes the first two years of study, in which children are trained to express themselves. The writer described the various training methods which are beneficial in this stage.

In the second session, which includes the two subsequent years, children are trained on written in addition to verbal expression.

Verbal expression (conversation) and written composition are the subject of training in the third session.

**FACULTIES AND UNIVERSITIES**

Administration and Organization - Arab Countries


- Paper presented to the Third General Conference on University Organization; Set-up and Administration, Baghdad, November 21-27, 1976.

This Paper falls into three parts.

Part 1 deals with the impact of post-World War II political and social changes on educational democracy, on the scientific and technological progress and on international and regional relationships in the fields of university education.

The second part deals with the trends of university and higher educational changes as to their quantitative development.

Part 3 explains the modern trends in organization and administration which deal with unity in university organization, independence of universities, participation in university administration, decision making, elevating the standard of administration and the need for training university leaderships.
The aims of this paper are set forth in its introduction, following which an explanation is given of the increased number of students enrolled in some Arab universities, such as Cairo, 'Ain Shams and Alexandria Universities in Egypt.

After indicating the State's role in managing and directing universities, the writer described the functions of the various Councils which administer universities from the level of the central management of universities. In this respect he discussed the functions of the University Council, the Student Affairs Council, the Council of Post-Graduate Studies and Research, the Professors' Council, the Deans' Council and the Administrative Council.

The writer then described the constitution and functions of university councils on the local unit level within the university, discussing in this respect the Faculty's Council and the Department's Council.

The writer went on to talk on the administrative organization of some Arab universities, being the University of Sanaa, the University of Benghazi, Cairo University's Branch in Khartoum, Baghdad University and Cairo University.

A review is also made of the significant changes undergone by the organizational set up of universities, such as Al-Azhar, Cairo, Alexandria, 'Ain Shams, Khartoum, Khartoum Branch of Cairo University, Baghdad, Assiut, Aleppo, the Jordanian University, Al-Hustansiriyah, Basrah, Kuwait, Mosel, Al-Salmaniyyah and the Teachers' Faculty of Education in Qatar.

Concluding his paper, the author reviewed some of the changes introduced in the administrative practices of universities during the past five years and emphasized the importance of getting students to take part in university councils and committees.

- Paper presented to the Third General Conference on University Organization; Set-up and Administration, Baghdad, November 21-27, 1976.

In his introduction, the writer explained the aims of the integrative administrative organization and mentioned a set of principles and criteria which, in his opinion, should be taken into consideration at the time of working out the university's administrative set-up.

In this connection, the writer stressed the importance of establishing executive bodies within universities to take charge of the executive aspects of the university's activities, as well as consultative bodies to undertake research, development devices and drawing up plans which are suitable for the achievement of the desired targets.

The writer emphasized the importance of decentralization in university administration, saying that universities should enjoy independence in administering faculties and institutes.

The writer further emphasized the need for adopting the principle of delegating authority in order to expedite formalities.

After explaining the technical meaning of certain administrative jobs and stressing that modern administrative jobs should be created in universities, the writer reviewed the modern policies of administration, with special emphasis on simplification of procedures, improvement of the standard of performance of university personnel and development of the financial system.


- Paper presented at the Third General Conference on University Organization; Set-up and Administration, Baghdad, November 21-27, 1976.

In an introduction to their paper, the writers cited administrative efficiency as being one of the constituents of a modern society, saying:
that all institutions of university education should have conscious administrative leaderships.

The paper is subsequently divided into four parts.

Part 1 reviews the modern trends in university administration and organization. After defining the university, the writers talked on university administration and councils.

The second chapter is concerned with the Board of Trustees. It indicates its functions and constitution.

Part 3 is devoted to the President of the University. It describes the technical, human and perceptual skills required in him. The same chapter deals with the forces which are influentially operative in the university system, being internal forces emanating from within the university system itself and external forces emerging from outside.

The academic dean is the concern of the fourth and last part. It describes his characteristics, the factors which contribute to his effectiveness, his responsibilities and the elements of his success and promotion. A review is also made of the characteristics which academic deans should in the future possess.

In their conclusion, the writers brought up a set of issues which they thought would face university education in the future. They urged the people concerned to give considerable thought to these issues.

A list of bibliographical references used by the authors while preparing their research is appended thereto.

105. Al-Kubaisi, 'Amer, "Bed Al-Mafaheem Al-Mu'assarah fi Idaret Al-Jami'at Wa-Tatweerihā" (Some Contemporary Concepts on University Administration and Development), Cairo, Secretariat-General, Association of Arab Universities, 1976, 12 pages.


Following an introduction in which the writer showed to what extent universities in developing countries are handicapped in realizing the task of improving higher educational matters, the writer reviewed some suggestions and recommendations advanced in the Conference by numerous scholars on the role of universities in the Arab region and the prospects of their development.
The writer went on to discuss the concept of the behaviourist school and to indicate to what extent it has benefitted by the methods utilized in natural sciences.

Discussing the approaches of the behaviourist school which could be adopted in analysing the present status of Arab universities, the writer talked on the ecological approach which stresses the impact of the environment and its external variables on the behaviour of universities and their personnel. He also dealt with the systematic approach which presupposes that four basic elements are a prerequisite for the emergence of a university namely, the inputs, the outputs, the process and the feedback.

According to the writer's conclusions, an integrative theoretical framework should be worked out for the administration of Arab universities, which consists of three stages: administration according to targets, targets through programmes, and programmes through self-performance.

Concluding his paper, the writer outlined the results obtained through the utilization of the behavioural method in analysing the status of administration and in denoting its future prospects.

**Aims - Arab Countries**


- Paper presented at the Third General Conference on University Organization; Set-up and Administration, Baghdad, November 21-27, 1976.

After dealing in his introduction with the university's task in propagating and promoting the scientific spirit and upholding academic attitudes, the writer gave an account of Arab universities in the past and present with special emphasis on the Syrian University and the justifications for its establishment and existence.

Explaining how an Arab university should be, the writer dealt with the problems from which Arab universities are suffering such as the overcrowdedness of classes, the problems of curricula syllabi, teaching methods and examinations and the fact that theoretical subjects are given preference over practical.
He went on to explain the main objects of a university, talking in this respect on the promotion of the academic spirit, the graduation of cultured young men, the training of the educated men on how to teach themselves, the administration of the university by its own self effort, the encouragement of academic research work and the good selection of faculty.

On the role Arab universities are expected to play in our modern Arab society, the writer said that universities should endeavour to modernize society, perpetuate education, develop rural regions and step up production.

An outline of the paper is given at its end.

107. Al-Tall, Sa'id, "Mabadi Wa-Ahdaf Al-Ta'leem Al-Jami'i Al-Arabi: Dirasah Istitita'iyyah", (Principles and Aims of Arab University Education; An Exploratory Study), Cairo, Secretariat-General, Association of Arab Universities, 1976. 69 pages.

Beginning his paper, the writer wrote an introduction on the reasons which led to the establishment of educational foundations of all types and levels and the role of education as a means for development and progress.

The writer then reviewed the history and development of university education since old ages and until today. He described the initial characteristics of university education which are still reflected in institutions of university education in our contemporary world.

He went on to explain the principles and aims of contemporary university education in Western culture showing to what extent such aims may be made use of in developing the mission of Arab university education.

Reviewing the present status of university education in the Arab World, the writer defined its positive and passive aspects and described the circumstances of the contemporary Arab society, showing what changes and development education is expected to affect in the society.

An explanation of the status of Arab university education followed.
Concluding his paper, the writer reviewed the aims of Arab university education as visualized by him, both on an indigenous level and on a pan-Arab and human level.

A list of reference books in Arabic and foreign language is appended to the paper.

Educational Statistics - In Iraq


A review is made in the Document's introduction of the developments undergone by Basrah University ever since it was established and until the year 1975/76.

The text of the Document itself is divided into nine parts comprising 75 statistical tables and charts.

Part 1 consists of eight statistical tables demonstrating the extent of progress of higher education in Iraq between 1969/70 and 1974/75.

The tables and charts contained in Part 2 indicate the developments in the number of students registered in the various faculties of Basrah University and the rate of admission in each faculty.

Part 3 is concerned with the students actually enrolled in the University. The pertinent tables are divided according to sex and nationality as distributed over the various faculties.

The tables of Part 4 contain statistics on post-graduate students of the University, showing the number of admitted students and those actually attending courses as well as the developments in their numbers.

The fifth part presents statistical tables on the number of graduates per each faculty from 1967/68 to 1974/75 and the gross number of graduates from the University as a whole from 1967/68 to 1974/75.

Part 6 reviews the developments in the number of students in the University dormitory.
The seventh and eighth parts show the progress in the number of faculty and other administrative employees divided according to University faculties.

The ninth and last part consists of miscellaneous statistics on the number of books and periodicals and the book-borrowing movement in the University library as well as the activities of the Directorate of Youth Care on university level and on the level of each separate faculty.

In Jordan


An account is given of the Jordanian University ever since it was established in 1962. The numbers of its students and teaching staff at the time of its foundation were given and a review was made of the developments undergone by the University since its foundation and until the year 1975/76 as to its student body, professors, system of education, increased number of faculties and the University Library.

Each of the University's nine faculties is dealt with separately. Their departments' names and dates of establishment are mentioned, the degrees offered are listed and the growth in the number of their students and professors is recorded.

The University's role in qualifying its students to work collectively and think independently is elaborated.

GEOGRAPHY - THE SUDAN

After emphasizing the importance of geography and identifying the geographer, the writer dealt with development and explained its meaning.

He gave a definition of economic development in general, with a special emphasis on the economic development in the Arab Fatherland in particular.

Concluding his article, the writer discussed the Sudan's economic development, mentioning the Sudanese industries which use local metals.

GUIDANCE IN SAUDI ARABIA


At the beginning of this document, the writer showed the importance of guidance and counselling to youth, showing how guidance is related to the society's discipline and punishment.

Dealing with the principles and different meanings of guidance, the writer said that experience is the rich source of any guidance.

Referring to the relation between education and guidance, the writer mentioned the process of change which takes place within the individual as a result of education.

Pointing to the relation between teaching and the process of change, the writer described the role of the teacher who is regarded, in the modern theories of education, the most effective element in the teaching process.

As regards the relation between education and the society, the writer described the efforts deployed by guidance to educate individuals, showing the relation between guidance on the one hand and discipline and punishment on the other.

The writer went on to point out the fundamental services rendered by the school and how they relate to the aims, problems and requirements of guidance, showing the importance of applying technology to the technical methods of guidance.
He summed up his study reiterating the importance of guidance and counselling in helping individuals.

HIGHER EDUCATION

In Arab Countries

112. Sadek, Hassan, "Al-Ta'leem Al-'Aali fil-Bilad Al-Namiyah", (Higher Education in Developing Countries), Cairo Secretariat-General Association of Arab Universities 1972, 7 pages.

Paper submitted to the Third General Conference on University Organization; Set-up and Administration, Baghdad November 21-27, 1976.

Following an introduction dealing with the impact of education on the economic and social development, the writer indicated the need for reconsidering the systems of education in order to correspond to job classifications and employment opportunities. He also emphasized the need for directing more attention to pre-university education.

Dealing with the problem of the ever-increasing number of students admitted in universities, the writer suggested methods whereby the number of students admitted in universities may be checked.

The writer called for the creation of local university centres in the various Governorates to ensure that university services reach each citizen.

Explaining the aims of the UNESCO-financed project the writer said this project contemplates the creation of a centre for higher studies and research in Alexandria University.

Concluding his study, the writer underlined cooperative efforts in establishing and developing regional research centres in developing countries.

In Democratic Yemen

The general philosophy of university education in democratic Yemen is reviewed by the writer from the point of view of four fundamental principles.

The first principle calls for linking knowledge and learning to the society and to the actual and material conditions of economic life, with an indication of how this relates to the aims sought from the establishment of a university.

The second principle deals with linking higher education and its machineries to the country's economic and social development plans. The outcome of this policy, the writer added, is to determine the society's economic structure and to qualify its machineries accordingly. Here, he mentions the responsibility of the Ministry of Planning.

As regards the third principle, the writer indicated the importance of linking scientific and theoretical knowledge to practical problems saying that universities are held responsible for arming their machineries with theoretical and practical ideas derived from the facts of life. Training in all fields is necessary for realizing such qualification, he added.

The fourth principle is confined to the creation of an integrative nationalist Yemeni personality. It is therefore important to give adequate training to university students in order to create strong generations capable of defending the Yemeni revolution. The practical steps for implementing this fourth principle are explained in detail.

Saudi Arabia


The article began with a review of the aims and policies of Riyadh University during the years under discussion and the programmes and projects contemplated for the second year of the 5-Year Plan.

The article then deals with King Abdul 'Aziz University, showing the aims envisaged and the methods to be adopted during the second year of the Plan for the realization of these aims.
A review is also made of the aims, policies and projects of the University of Petroleum and Miners, the Faculty of Girls, the Islamic University and the Islamic University of Imam Mohammed Ibn Saud during the Plan's second year.

**HISTORY**

Teaching in the Secondary Schools of Kuwait

115. Saadah, Youssef Jamaa Mohamed Reda. "Istikhdam Al-Qiraat Al-Kharjiiyyah fi Tadrees Al-Tarikh Lil-Saff Al-Awwal Al-Thanawi Bil-Kuwait", (Use of Outside Readings in Teaching History to the First Year Secondary in Kuwait). Cairo, Department of Curriculum, Faculty of Education, Ain Shams University, 1976, 265 pages

-Dissertation submitted to the Department of Curriculum of the Faculty of Education, Ain Shams University, for obtaining the degree of M.A. in Education.

This dissertation is divided into seven chapters.

Chapter 1 states the problem under discussion, indicates its proportions and explains the method of research adopted to study this important problem.

The second chapter deals with the functions of outside readings in the teaching of history, while Chapter 3 indicates the extent to which a teacher may use outside readings in teaching history to the first year secondary pupils in Kuwait. A review is made of a questionnaire conducted by the author to gather the necessary data, outlining the results obtained from the questionnaire.

In Chapter 4, the writer dealt with the sources of outside readings in the school library, stressing the importance of school libraries and showing their aims and functions, whether to the pupil or to the teacher. A review is also made of the present system of school libraries in Kuwait and the handicaps experienced therein.

The fifth chapter deals with the criterion used in the teaching of history and the method in which it is applied. In the same chapter, the aims of the curriculum of history are explained together with the characteristics of growth among students in the secondary stage with an indication of the educational possibilities available in Kuwait.
Chapter 6 deals with experimental studies and with an analysis of the results.

The seventh and last chapter contains the writer's proposals and recommendations which deal with curricula, aims, the history teacher, technical supervision, teaching methods, textbooks, school libraries, examinations and school administration.

A list of Arabic and foreign references consulted by the writer as well as two appendices containing the questionnaire and the observation sheet are appended to the dissertation.

116. Al-'Awadi, Adbul Latif Mohamed Saleh "'Istikhdam Al-Masadir Al-Ashiyah Ka-Wadidhal Li-Tadrees Al-Tarikh Bil-Saff Al-Thalith Min Al-'Arab Al-Thaniyyah Fil-Kuwait" (Utilization of First-Hand Sources as an Introduction to History Teaching to Pupils of the Third Year Secondary in Kuwait) Cairo Department of Curricula, Faculty of Education, 'Ain Shams University, 1976. 37 pages plus appendices.

This dissertation is divided into six chapters, the first of which stresses the importance of the topic under discussion, defines the problem, shows its proportions and describes the steps taken to discuss it.

Chapter 2 deals with the nature and meaning of history and reviews the different opinions on the meaning of history, indicating the aims sought by teaching history as a school subject.

The third chapter urges use of first-hand sources in history teaching, showing how such sources are made use of.

Chapter 4 describes the questionnaire and observation card prepared by the author to gather his data. It reviewed the results obtained and analysed the outcome of his observation cards.

In the fifth chapter, the writer described the method of using first-hand material in history teaching, giving the causes for the failure to use first-hand material. The writer defined the aims contemplated by the history curriculum and showed how such aims is served through use of
first hand material. He also described the characteristics of secondary school pupils.

The sixth and last chapter is devoted by the author to a description of the experiment he had undertaken to prove the importance of first hand material in teaching history to third year secondary pupils in Kuwait. In this chapter, he reviewed the topic chosen for his experiment, being the Crusade Wars, or the foreign invasion of the Arab Fatherland.

The writer's suggestions and recommendations as concluded from his study dealt with the aim of history teaching, the teacher's role in attaining such aim, the teaching method conducive to such aim and the role of the school library, technical guidance and text books in serving the aims of history.

Ending this chapter, the writer reviewed a set of Arabic and foreign language books which he consulted in the course of preparing his dissertation.

Teaching Methods - Jordan

117. Shabib, Nadia. "Turuq Tadrees Al-Tarikh" (Methods of Teaching History), "Risalat Al Balad" (Jordan) 19th year Issue No. 4 (October-December 1978), pp 22-25

At the beginning of her article, the writer reviewed the traditional method of teaching history in schools and pointed to the shortcomings of this method. She then moved to the modern educational methods and text books, saying they allow for a lively participation on the part of students. The text book, she added is a vital means in the educational process. She pointed to basic points which need to be taken into consideration at the time of writing text books.

The writer went on to say that the new trend in some countries is to study history on the basis of the original texts. She hinted to the possibility of incorporating such material in the text books.

Possibilities of making use of pictures and audio-visual devices in the teaching of history were considered by the writer who also dealt with maps and atlases and indicated the major role they play in the study of history.
The writer described the various types of maps and showed the advantages of each, distinguishing between a geographical atlas and a historical one.

At the beginning of his study, the writer indicated the importance of homework and showed its functions and aims and the advantages which boy and girl students in the primary and preparatory stages reap from it.

Referring to the questionnaire conducted by the writer, the writer said 23 questions were contained in the questionnaire sheet dealing with the importance of homework, its appropriate volume and the penalties to which pupils failing to do their homework are exposed.

The writer went on to describe the sample chosen for collecting the necessary data contained in the questionnaire sheets showing how he chose it and the method used to draw the pertinent conclusions from the duly filled questionnaire sheets.

Regarding the general attitude to homework as revealed by his survey, the writer showed the degree of interest in homework on the part of teachers and parents. He also showed how homework helps the pupils themselves in assimilating and learning their lessons.

The study undertaken by the author revealed the length of time spent by pupils on their homework and showed their attitude to the volume of homework they are expected to handle.

On the subject of penalties which teachers pass against pupils failing to do their homework, the writer mentioned a variety of punishments to which teachers resort.

Lastly, the writer mentioned some passive aspects of homework, saying that homework as it is practiced today is often misused. He drew a comparison between the attitude of pupils in the primary stage and that of preparatory stage pupils as regards homework.
The aim of this study is stated in its introduction which reviews the rates of illiteracy in the world and in Arab countries and cites the percentage of illiteracy in some Arab countries to prove its growth.

After reviewing the efforts exerted by the UNESCO and the United Nations in this respect, the writer gave example to show the volume of the problem of illiteracy and to what extent it is difficult.

According to the writer, illiteracy is always linked to backwardness. Here, the writer describes the characteristics of an illiterate and shows in what respects an educated individual is superior.

The writer went on to relate the advantages of education, mentioning the reasons for the failure of the attempts to wipe out illiteracy and saying that in one experiment centres of literacy campaigns were re-named schools in order to encourage illiterates to join them.

Guarantees for successful literacy campaigns were enumerated by the writer. These included the existence of some drives and motives, the waging of an overall national campaign, the rewarding of educated young men who take part in literacy campaigns and the linking of education to man's basic needs.

An outline of the main points elaborated in the article is given as a conclusion.
The writer reviewed some of the problems encountered by the kindergarten showing how they could be treated from an educational point of view. She also showed how children's attitudes towards the society are developed through involving them in activities which prepare them to face life. In this connection, the writer dealt with children's linguistic association with adults and with other children, children's behavior in a group and the role of play in the life of children.

Concluding her article, the writer dealt with the system of self-service as compared to the cooperative method saying that the latter method helps children develop their social relationships.

LANGUAGE - EVALUATION IN ARAB COUNTRIES


The introduction to this article explained the meaning of mother tongue and mentioned the steps to be taken for realizing the aims of the educational process, giving some directives in this respect to teachers of the first four years of the elementary stage in particular.

Following some remarks of a general nature on language development in the lower classes, the writer showed how linguistic abilities may be developed while the mother language is being taught.

The writer went on to enumerate the various points involved in developing linguistic abilities in the other branches of study such as natural sciences, reading, polytechnics, fine arts and art education indicating the points to be taken into consideration in exercises of vocabulary.

The writer also discussed the targets and aims of language development and intensification of linguistic abilities in the lessons of mathematics, polytechnics, physical education and drawing in the first year primary.

Ending his article, the writer surveyed school subjects from the point of view of linguistic abilities in the second, third and fourth year primary.
Commenting on leisure time and the possible acute consequences befalling pupils as a result of it, the writer said that the problems caused by leisure time may be classified in principal economic and social categories. Levels and classes with which pupils interact.

The writer went on to explain the degree of acuteness and the various symptoms of leisure time, saying they vary according to the different circumstances and stages of pupils. He also indicated how this problem interacts with the general conditions prevailing in the country and the pupils' social and scholastic conditions.

After defining the problem of leisure time, the writer showed how this time could be exploited in a variety of directions. His study of the roots of this problem led him to propose a number of realistic and well-studied solutions which readily lend themselves to application in Arab countries through students' committees, bodies and associations.

In the opinion of the writer, pupils should receive a national democratic approach to education, the concepts of which are formulated through scientific planning and progressive methodology. Theory in education, he added, should be linked to practical life. Any deficiency in application should be rectified in order to enable pupils to acquire more knowledge. Sending pupils on training sessions and panels abroad, is most beneficial, the writer concluded.

**MATHEMATICS**

In Jordan


The writer reviewed, at the commencement of his article, the reasons for changing the traditional concepts of mathematics, then evaluated the old curricula showing their shortcomings and deficiencies as well as those of text books, being the mirror which reflects such curricula.
He went on to summarize the theory of modern curricula in mathematics in a number of points, indicating the concepts and skills which our modern age requires in a pupil. The writer further made a quick review of the prevalent trends of mathematics teaching in some advanced countries as well as the projects which are being applied by those countries.

Reviewing the experiment of teaching modern mathematics in Jordan and the radical changes introduced by the Jordanian National Team on the contents of school subjects in various classes, the writer described the steps taken in the secondary stage showing how they would serve as a basis for experimenting on modern mathematics teaching in the other stages. He emphasized the steps taken on the one hand to improve text books and on the other to give careful attention to the process of teacher training.

In the Sudan


As an introduction to his article, the writer said that the curricula of mathematics have developed in the 1930's and their teaching methods have had corresponding development in conformity with the new teaching methods devised by educational psychology.

On the development of the curricula of mathematics in the various stages of education and the resulting changes introduced on the text books of mathematics in these stages, the writer said that the textbook of mathematics for the first year primary has undergone changes and was used in the experimental schools of Bakht Al-Reda and in four other schools in Khartoum before using it in all Sudanese schools.

The text book used in the second year primary invited a commentary on the standard of its language on the part of the writer.

He commented as well on the text books of other primary years and showed the relation between their material and the established curricula of mathematics for those classes.