The importance of education

“Study hard and you will be whoever you want to be,” that is what my mother always have told me. These words have always been in my mind encouraging me to do better and work harder to be as successful as I can be. I believe that education is important to everyone.

Firstly, many doors can be opened with having a degree in a certain field. If a person does not have any knowledge, he cannot work in a complicated, although high-paying job. For example, a veterinarian cannot treat animals if he does not know anything about animal bodies and how they work. A person cannot be a musician if he does not know how to read and harmonize notes either. Only educated people can choose their future freely, without having to refuse their dreams because of the lack of knowledge which can be gained while studying.

Secondly, education makes people self-dependent. When a person has an education, he cannot be used or manipulated easily. For instance, knowing laws, people’s rights and responsibilities can help people deal with a difficult situation where someone might use them for their own benefit. Not having enough knowledge makes them vulnerable and weak and can cause great damage in their lives, like having to pay a lot of money to someone or worse, going to jail. That is why education is a powerful tool which can be used to make people’s lives much less troubling.

On the other hand, education can overshadow raw talent. Having so many subjects to learn at school can make youths confused about what they are good at. There are also a lot of pressure to always get high grades and a constant reminder that you are not as successful as other students or that you will not achieve anything in life. Pressure, importunity, comparison to others are the worst things about education that make a person feel unhappy, lost and miserable. As a result, a person forgets about his dreams and his achievements and just gives up.

All in all, despite the negativity that comes with education, I think that having a degree is essential to having a lot of critical, independent and strong people in our society who will make this world a better place. 385 words

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