

EDUCATION

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world" - Nelson Mandela. Education is a fundamental human right and essential for the empowerment and development of an individual and of the society. Not to mention that it is the key to unlocking the door of opportunity and success. If you are trying to be successful in your life, then education is the foundation it.

To begin with, education in the Russian Federation is based on a system of universal, comprehensive secondary education, which is free of charge and compulsory. Students typically begin primary school at the age of six and finish secondary school at the age of seventeen-eighteen. After completing secondary school, students have the option to enroll in higher education, such as universities and colleges, where they can get a degree. In order to get a place at university, students must pass entrance exams or Unified State Exams and submit their documents. Once they have been accepted, they are required to pay tuition fees. After graduating from university, students receive a diploma and can start working in their chosen field.

To continue, comparing the educational systems of different countries with the educational system in Russia, the UK and the USA are most similar. In both countries, education is free of charge at the primary and secondary level, but universities charge tuition fees. Students in both countries are required to pass entrance exams in order to get a place at university. However, in the USA, students usually start primary school at the age of five and finish secondary school at the age of eighteen, while in the UK

students usually start primary school at the age of four and finish secondary school at the age of sixteen. In China, primary and secondary education is free of charge, but a national entrance exam **must be passed** by the students in order to get a place at university. In Germany, students start primary school at the age of six and finish secondary school at the age of eighteen. Universities in Germany charge tuition fees, but they **also** offer scholarships and grants to students who demonstrate exceptional academic performance.

If you ask me, my favourite teacher was Alyona Vladimirovna, a maths teacher. She was an excellent teacher in many ways. She **was very well-prepared** for each lesson, and she was very strict in her expectations. **She was also very good at answering questions and explaining things clearly.** She was able **to keep her students interested** by changing the pace of the lesson depending on the material and by offering a range of activities. She also **treated all students equally**, but she didn't provide them with **individual learning programmes**. In terms of teaching methods, she used a combination of traditional and **innovative methods**, including interactive activities. She also used lectures from free internet resources to support the **curriculum**.

Distance learning has both pros and cons. **On the one hand**, one of the biggest advantages is that it offers students the flexibility **to study at their own pace**. It also allows students to access lectures and resources from all over the world. **On the other hand**, one of the biggest disadvantages is the **lack of face-to-face contact** with the teacher and other students. This can make it difficult for students to stay motivated and engaged in their studies. Additionally, distance learning can be more expensive than traditional classroom-based learning.

Higher education **brings enormous benefits to society** and to individuals alike. **For instance**, individuals, **studying for a degree can in computer science** offer a **high starting salary**

and **fringe benefits**, such as a better chance of getting a job and the ability to take on more responsibility. It can also give an edge over non-graduates in the job market. For society, higher education can help to create a more educated and productive workforce and can help to reduce inequality.

Besides the fact that I have failed great exams and couldn't afford Moscow Universities, I can say that I have chosen Peter the Great St Petersburg Polytechnic University **because of** its excellent reputation and its world-class facilities. It has a **spacious campus** with a **well-equipped lecture room** and a **well-stocked library**. It also has a **state-of-the-art supercomputer, physics and chemistry laboratory** and excellent sports facilities. **Furthermore**, the university offers a range of financial aid options to help students who may need **to take out a loan to finance their studies** and **to help them pay off a university loan**.

In conclusion, **despite** the varying educational systems around the world, it is encouraging to see that many countries are making efforts to provide accessible education to their citizens. With the right support, students can use these opportunities to unlock their potential and make a positive contribution to the world.