Cognitive Apprenticeship Model in The Aesthetics and Ergonomics Material of Entrepreneurship Subject on Students’ Creativity in Vocational Higher School

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ABSTRACT

This research aims to know the influence of cognitive apprenticeship model against the creativity of students. The research method used is the true experimental research design in form of matched comparison group. In this design, there are two groups which consist of experimental group and control group. While some of the learning processes done by the students through 5 stages starting from preparation until verification obtained the different result in the process of practical learning activities compare with the traditional learning. Thus, it can be concluded that there is a significant differences on the application of learning model cognitive apprenticeship in the learning process.

Keywords: cognitive apprenticeship, creativity

1 INTRODUCTION

Vocational education should provide a productive career base that provides backgrounds in knowledge, skills and attitudes, to continue education at every point in individual working life (UNESCO, 2001)[1]. Vocational education develops core capabilities of problem solving, interpersonal and communication skills (Skillbeck, Connell, Lowe, & Tait, 2002)[2]. This suggests that the development of problem solving skills is central to vocational education, as it relates to the world of work. Creativity power is needed by those who graduates from vocational school since they are expected to fill the existing job as a middle-level worker in accordance with competence in the skills program. However, no one knows the fate of others. Even though the researcher’s target is the office department students, yet the scholl program to create the creative students in making craft is for all the students and all the majors. Thus, even the students that graduates from offices, they still can get their own workplace when they do not get a job yet. Therefore, it is necessary to equip learners with skills that can take the advantage of the surrounding environment so that they have enough knowledge in entrepreneurship. With the existence of entrepreneurship, students are expected to create their own business instead of seeking a job in certain companies.

Considering the existing problems, it is necessary to conduct a learning model which is relevant to the material and able to support the achievement of learning objectives effectively and efficiently. It is in accordance with the strategy theory, that is, a learning activity must be done by teacher and learners so that the learning objectives can be reached effectively and efficiently (Kemp dalam Rusman, 2012)[3].

Cognitive apprenticeship is a process where learners learn from the more experienced people by means of cognitive and metacognitive skills and processes (Dennen, 2008)[4]. The Cognitive Apprenticeship concept is defined as “learning through cognitive and metacognitive experience, rather than physical, skill and process” (Collins, 1989)[5]. The things involved in cognitive apprenticeship are the demonstration of experts (modeling) and coaching (coaching) in the early stages of learning. Learners are challenged with a more difficult task than they can accomplish and it must be done cooperatively. In other words, at the beginning of the lesson, students are given the more difficult tasks and those tasks cannot be done individually, it should be in a group.
work. By working cooperatively, students will share experiences each other and the communication between them will increase as well.

Cognitive apprenticeship is developed to respond the dichotomy between learning in a class and concrete activities that may arise from professional practice or other real-life situations. A learning process combined with social activities can affect learners’ ability. Kaye argues that the development and social processes are urging the nature of their skills and the evolution of skills, the human anatomy, the brain, and the social system all have to go hand in hand (Kaye in Rogoff Barbara, 1990). Collins (1991) suggests the cognitive apprenticeship model has the following methods:

a. Modelling - Demonstrate thinking process
b. Coaching - Helps and supports the cognitive activities of learners needed
c. Scaffolding - support task completion
d. Articulation - Verbalize the results
e. Reflection - analysis and work assessment
f. Exploration - The formation and testing of a particular hypothesis.

2 METHOD

The experimental research method is a research method used to find the effect of a particular treatment against others in controlled conditions. In other words, the experimental research consists of independent variable which is manipulated deliberately by the researcher in order to see whether there is or not an influence.

This research is true experimental research design in form of matched group comparison. In this design, there are two groups which consist of experimental group and control group. The first group is given an X treatment while the other group does not. In this case, the experimental group consists of two classes while the control group consists only one class.

3 RESULT AND DISCUSSION

After being given a treatment, that is the application of cognitive apprenticeship in the basic competence of hard craft material products in XI Adm. Office of SMKN 1 Surabaya, showed the results of data obtained through quantitative analysis, it can be categorized in a good value. It means that the learning model cognitive apprenticeship has been implemented in accordance with its method stages. Then, the quantitative data is as follow:

Based on the data analysis on personality creativity result with dk m-l = 3-1 = 2 and denominator N-m = 102-3 = 99, it is known that F count is greater than F table (6,289> 4,85). Thus, it means that the null hypothesis is rejected and the alternate hypothesis is confirmed. Then, it can be stated that the learning process using cognitive apprenticeship can increase students’ creativity significantly. While the normality test of the data using Chi Square count smaller than Chi Square table with the ratio (0.235 <9.210), hence the distribution of statistical data value can be categorized into normal distribution. The homogeneity ratio with 1% of error found that the calculation of F count is smaller than F table with the ratio (2,258> 2,275). Therefore, it means that the distribution of statistical data value is homogeneity distribution.

From several processes that have been done by students through 5 stages starting from preparation up to verification, it gained a process of learning activity practices that differ from the usual learning. The sequence of those stages is able to bring students into a real-life learning situations. Thus, it can be assumed that the students have achieved the more creative process rather than usual.

Based on the data analysis on the products creativity with dk m-l = 3-1 = 2 and denominator Nm = 102-3 = 99, it is known that F count is greater than F table (7,019> 4.85) which means that the Null Hypothesis is rejected and the Alternate Hypothesis is accepted. While, the normality data test known that the result of Chi Square count is smaller than Chi Square table with the ratio (0.314 <9.210), it means that the statistical data value can be normally distributed. Then the homogeneity test of the data with numerator dk = (34-1) and denominator dk = (34-1) with 1% error rate, known that the result of F count is smaller than F table (1.99<2.275), thus the distribution of the statistical data value can be expressed having Homogeneous distribution.

From all above, it means that the null hypothesis is rejected and the alternate hypothesis is confirmed. Thus, the alternate hypothesis that is, “there is significant difference toward the implementation of a
learning model Cognitive apprenticeship in 
entrepreneurship subject of aesthetic and 
ergonomic elements material toward XI 
graders’ creativity in the administrative office 
department”, can be accepted based on the 
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