THE CONTENT AND ESSENCE OF THE CONCEPT OF DIGITAL LITERACY

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Annotation: *in this scientific work, the theoretical foundations of the concept of digital literacy, its place and significance in modern social life are covered. The article outlines the components of digital literacy, stages of development and the role of educational institutions in its formation. The work also provides suggestions and recommendations for the development of digital thinking and the formation of a culture of information use.*

Keywords: *digital literacy, ICT, digital thinking, media literacy, information security, internet culture, technological skills, digital tools, digital environment.*

Аннотация: *В данной научной работе освещены теоретические основы понятия цифровой грамотности, ее место и значение в современной общественной жизни. В статье показаны компоненты цифровой грамотности, этапы ее развития и роль образовательных учреждений в ее формировании. В работе также содержатся предложения и рекомендации по развитию цифрового мышления и формированию культуры использования информации.*

Ключевые слова: *цифровая грамотность, информационные и коммуникационные технологии, цифровое мышление, медиаграмотность, информационная безопасность, интернет-культура, технологические навыки, цифровые инструменты, цифровая среда.*

Annotatsiya: *Mazkur ilmiy ishda raqamli savodxonlik tushunchasining nazariy asoslari, uning zamonaviy ijtimoiy hayotdagi o'rni va ahamiyati yoritilgan. Maqolada raqamli savodxonlikning tarkibiy qismlari, rivojlanish bosqichlari va uni shakllantirishdagi ta'lim muassasalarining roli ko'rsatib o'tilgan. Shuningdek, ishda raqamli tafakkurni rivojlantirish va axborotdan foydalanish madaniyatini shakllantirish bo'yicha taklif va tavsiyalar berilgan.*

Kalit so'zlar: *Raqamli savodxonlik, axborot-kommunikatsiya texnologiyalari, raqamli tafakkur, media savodxonlik, axborot xavfsizligi, internet madaniyati, texnologik ko'nikmalar, raqamli vositalar, raqamli muhit.*

The decree of the president of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated May 24, 2023 No. 76 "on measures to effectively organize public management in the field of digital technologies within the framework of Administrative Reforms"and PQ-162 dated May 24, 2023 " on measures to increase the coverage and quality of digital services and to ensure the implementation of measures for the digital transformation of, the concept of digital literacy is gaining special importance. Digital literacy is the ability of an individual to effectively, safely and consciously use modern information and communication technologies. Its main purpose is not only to manage technologies, but also to seek, obtain, analyze and consciously apply information with them.

The essence of digital literacy is that it consists not only of a complex of technical skills, but also ensures that the individual acts consciously and responsibly in the digital environment. This includes:

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Technological adaptation: fast mastering of new digital tools and applications, their effective application in various tasks.

Activism and creativity: expression of opinion on digital platforms, creative content creation and active participation in social networks.Digital literacy is also an important factor in creating equal opportunities in society, ensuring free and fair access to information. Individuals who lack digital knowledge and skills may be left out of the many possibilities of modern life, unable to participate in social and economic processes.ctivism and creativity: expression of opinion on digital platforms, creative content creation and active participation in social networks.Digital literacy is also an important factor in creating equal opportunities in society, ensuring free and fair access to information. Individuals who lack digital knowledge and skills may be left out of the many possibilities of modern life, unable to participate in social and economic processes. Therefore, there is a great deal of attention being paid to improving digital literacy by governments and organizations. In this regard, measures such as improving the education system, constantly training citizens in digital skills, organizing special programs and campaigns are being implemented. The development of digital literacy is the strengthening of the foundation of the digital economy, and also serves to ensure that people fully understand their rights and obligations in the digital environment.

As a result, digital literacy is not only a guarantee that an individual will be successful in the modern world, but also an important indicator of the development of society, adapted to sustainable and digital transformations.

Critical assessment of information. In the digital world, thousands of new information appear every day. Therefore, critical thinking is very important when receiving any information. Critical information assessment is the ability to determine the accuracy, reliability, and confidence in a source of information from the internet and other digital sources. This process involves the following steps: checking who, when and under what conditions the information was given, comparing different sources, looking for facts and evidence, as well as protection

against inaccurate or manipulative information. Critical evaluation not only prevents misinformation, but also makes it possible to increase the user's level of knowledge and make informed decisions.

Security and Privacy. An important component of digital literacy is the protection of personal data and the observance of cybersecurity. Today, users can face a variety of threats in online fields, including fraud, data theft, malware, and tricks. Therefore, it is necessary to safely store personal data — passwords, bank card information, personal documents and other sensitive information, enter them only on trusted sites and applications. In addition, compliance with cybersecurity rules requires the formation of habits such as installing antivirus programs, performing regular updates, choosing secure passwords and keeping personal information within a limited range on social networks.

Technological adaptation. The digital world is constantly changing: new applications, devices and technologies appear. For this reason, digital literacy also includes the ability to adapt technologically. This is the ability to quickly and efficiently master new digital tools and programs, using them in various fields, including education, work, everyday life and social activities. Technological adaptation helps the user to fully use modern capabilities, automate work processes, introduce new innovations and continue personal development. Activity and creativity. Digital literacy is not just the use of technologies, but also the free expression of one's opinion with their help, involvement in creative activities and active participation in social networks. Activism on digital platforms involves processes such as creating blogs, video and audio content, participating in discussions on social media, and expressing a position in online communities. Such activism not only expands personal opportunities, but also serves to strengthen social ties in society, Exchange new knowledge and implement creative ideas. And creativity gives the opportunity to create new content using modern digital tools, work on innovative projects and show their talent. From these we conclude that digital literacy is being formed today as an important skill for the individual and society. Through the ability to critically evaluate information, users will be able to make informed decisions, protecting against inaccurate or manipulative information. Compliance with the principles of security and confidentiality, on the other hand, provides protection for personal data and sets the stage for safe operation in the digital arena. And technological adaptation allows you to quickly respond to constant updates and changes, prepares users for the effective use of modern tools. At the same time, activity and creativity serve in digital platforms for an individual to express himself freely, create new ideas and effectively interact with society. Thus, digital literacy is not only a set of technical knowledge, but also a comprehensive skill that ensures the successful and responsible participation of a person in a digital environment. Its development and enhancement is one of the priority areas that is given attention at the level of state policy.

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