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The Impact of Teachers' Personality Competence and Students' Attitudes on the Quality of Learning

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ABSTRACT

Background. The quality of education in Indonesia is still stagnant, as evidenced by students' achievements, which have not shown significant changes. This is influenced by the competence of teachers, who are not yet fully professional.

Purpose. This research aims to reveal the impact of teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes on the quality of learning, both partially and simultaneously.

Method. This study employs a quantitative method with a correlational approach, involving 57 students from SDN Pangilen 3 Sampang in grades 4, 5, and 6. The sampling technique used is saturated sampling. Data was collected through a questionnaire with a Likert scale ranging from strongly agree (5) to strongly disagree (1). Data processing includes descriptive statistical analysis, prerequisite tests such as normality and linearity, as well as validity and reliability testing. Hypothesis testing is conducted through multiple regression analysis, including simultaneous testing (F test) and partial testing (t test) to analyze the contributions between variables.

Results. It shows that teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes have a significant impact on the quality of learning, with Sig. values of 0.000 and 0.004, respectively. The simultaneous test confirms the collective influence of both variables, with teachers' competence contributing 34.1% and students' attitudes contributing 19.5%. The dominance of teachers' competence in affecting the quality of learning is evident from its relative contribution of 63.6%.

Conclusion. This research emphasizes the importance of enhancing teachers' personality competence to improve the quality of learning in schools.

KEYWORDS

Competence Teacher, Teachers' Personality, Quantitative Method

INTRODUCTION

The issues surrounding the quality of education in Indonesia reflect the lack of professionalism among teachers, which negatively impacts student performance. Meanwhile, the results of the 2022 PISA survey indicate stagnation in learning quality, despite revealing a strong correlation between teacher quality and student learning

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outcomes. Enhancing teachers' competencies contributes significantly to improving the quality of education (Sartika et al., 2023; Napitupulu, 2023). The correlation between students' perceptions of teacher personality competencies is weak, yet there is a positive significant relationship with student learning outcomes, highlighting the need for teachers to enhance their personal behavior quality (Efgivia et al., 2021).

Positive teacher attitudes and behaviors significantly boost students' self-esteem, motivation, and social development, while negative behaviors diminish enthusiasm and hinder overall growth, affecting both learning and interpersonal skills (Kashan et al., 2023; Sarwono et al., 2020; Kahveci, 2023). Understanding teacher attitudes towards inclusion is vital for effective inclusive education, as positive attitudes create better learning environments, and systemic support is essential for teachers (Boyle et al., 2020).

Teacher behavior plays a crucial role in influencing students' self-regulation and motivation than honest relationships, modeling, respect, and support from teachers enhance self-regulative behavior and academic performance, underscoring the necessity for improved teacher conduct and support systems in education (Shahmohammadi, 2014; Zaffar et al., 2021). Teacher behavior is crucial for changing student outcomes and motivation during classroom interactions, necessitating consistent effort and effective practices that enhance learning experiences in Indonesia's elementary classrooms (Cooper, 2019; Leoanak & Amalo, 2018).

Then, teacher behaviors like resistance to change, unpreparedness, and absenteeism can create an unpleasant school climate and hinder student learning significantly (OECD, 2018). Teachers' behavior in managing learning encourages students' critical thinking skills, but it's not yet optimal, often leading to confusion and low engagement in drawing conclusions and generalizing learned concepts (Saragih & Zuhri, 2019). This is evidenced by most relationships between teacher behavior and student well-being supported the hypotheses, showing negative teaching behavior correlated with less positive affect, while socio-emotional behavior linked to more unexpected negative affect in students (Pössel, 2014).

The aim of this research is to partially assess the influence of teachers' personality competence on the quality of learning and the effect of students' attitudes on the quality of learning. Additionally, the study seeks to examine the simultaneous impact of both teachers' personality and students' attitudes on the quality of learning together. Furthermore, this research aims to determine the extent of the contribution of teachers' personality competence to students' attitudes and the quality of learning, based on the relative and effective contributions among the variables. The competence of teachers' personalities influences students' moral attitudes, while both teachers' and students' personalities and attitudes significantly impact performance, helping employers and educational authorities to effectively place teachers in roles that enhance their chances of success (Siagian et al., 2022; Dost & Hafshejani, 2017).

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

The research method used is quantitative with a correlational approach, involving a population of 57 students, consisting of 16 students from grade 4, 22 students from grade 5, and 19 students from grade 6 at SDN Pangilen 3 Sampang. The sampling technique employed is saturated sampling, including all 57 students. Data collection was conducted through a questionnaire using an interval Likert scale with the following score criteria: SS (Strongly Agree) with a score of 5; S (Agree) with a score of 4; N (Neutral) with a score of 3; TS (Disagree) with a score of 2; and STS (Strongly Disagree) with a score of 1.

Data processing includes: descriptive statistical analysis, prerequisite tests (normality, linearity, multicollinearity), validity testing, and reliability testing. Hypothesis testing is performed using multiple regression analysis, including simultaneous testing (F test), partial testing (t test), and examining both effective contributions and relative contributions among variables. The research instruments for the three variables are as follows:

	Tuber 1. Research installion for the Variable of Federatis Tersonanty Competence		
Variables	Indikators	Questions	
The Government	believe and fear	The teacher invites students to pray before starting	
Regulation of the		the lesson	
Republic of Indonesia	noble character	The teacher never yells at student during lesson	
Number 74 of 2008	wise	The teacher separates students who are fighting and	
concerning Teachers,		does not take sides	
teacher's persoanality	democratic	The teacher gives students the opportunity to speak	
competence icludes,		and express their opinions in clasa	
believe and fear to	solid	The teacher explains the lesson clearly and in a way	
God, noble character,		that is easy for students to understood	
wise, democratic,	mature	The teacher is not too strict when teaching	
solid, mature,	sportive	The teacher treats students fairly	
sportive, and being a	being a good role	The teacher always behaves kindly towards the	
good role model.	model	students	

Tabel 1. Research Instrument for the Variable of Teachers' Personality Competence

Tabel 2. Research Instrument for the Variable of Students' Attitudes

Variables	Indikators	Questions
Attitude towards learning	Students	Student have courage to ask question during
refers to students reactions	reaction	learning process
during the learning	experience	students gain new experience/knowledge during
process, their experiences,		learning process
beliefs, and values.	belief	students learns enthusiastically in the classroom
Student's learning	value	students appreciate their friends opinioms when
attitudes are related to the		answering questions from the teacher
success of their education	learning	students able to finish their homework well and
(Zhao, 2015; Gardner from	attitude	on time
Ahmed, 2015).		

Tabel 3. Research Instrument for the	Variable of Learning Quality
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Variables	Indikators	Questions
There are three	Cognitive	Teachers often give question to students to answer
dimentions of	Activation	during learning process
learning quality:		Students are invited to discuss with the teachers and
Cognitive activation,		other students to complete learning assignment
Supportive climate,	Supportive	The teacher able to make student give opinion in front
dan Classroom	Climate	of other students
management (Fauth		Teachers give praise and encouragement to students in
et al., 2014; Baumert		class
et al., 2010; Klieme	Classroom	The teacher ask students not to disturb peers during
et al., 2009)	Management	learning process
		Teacher able to arrange and ask students to sit in their
		seats while studying

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Data Processing

Based on data analysis using SPSS version 24, descriptive statistics were obtained for teachers' personality competence, with 57 respondents showing a mean of 33.32, a standard deviation of 4.11, and a variance of 16.86. Students' attitudes had a mean of 19.09, a standard deviation of 3.34, and a variance of 11.15. The quality of learning had a mean of 25.11, a standard deviation of 3.15, and a variance of 9.95, with all data being valid. The normality prerequisite test indicated a Sig. value from the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test of 0.012 for teachers' personality competence, 0.198 for students' attitudes, and 0.021 for the quality of learning. The data on students' attitudes was normally distributed, while the other two were not.

Furthermore, the linearity prerequisite test showed a Sig. value for linearity of 0.000, indicating that the data is linear, with a significant deviation from linearity at 0.005. Finally, the multicollinearity test revealed no signs of multicollinearity, as evidenced by the Tolerance values for teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes being 0.723, and the VIF value being 1.384, indicating good results for this analysis. Therefore, the data can proceed to further processing and hypothesis testing.

The validity test using SPSS version 24 indicated a significant relationship between the variables, with a Pearson Correlation value of 0.527 for teachers' personality competence and 0.677 for the quality of learning. All Sig. values were below 0.05 (0.000), indicating that the data is valid. Additionally, the reliability test showed a Cronbach's Alpha value of 0.809 for the three items, which is greater than 0.70, indicating that the data is reliable. This demonstrates good consistency in measuring the tested variables, ensuring that the instruments used are dependable.

Hypothesis Testing

The partial hypothesis test (T test) using SPSS version 24 showed significant results for the tested variables. According to the analysis, the Sig. value for teachers' personality competence is 0.000, which is less than 0.05, indicating that teachers' competence has a significant impact on the quality of learning. This means that when teachers exhibit friendliness and fairness, invite students to pray, refrain from yelling, separate students who are fighting, provide opportunities for students to speak, and explain lessons clearly and understandably, it positively influences their ability to ask questions, facilitate discussions, encourage student opinions, give praise, create a safe learning environment free from disruptions, and manage the classroom effectively during lessons. There is a high level of teacher personality and teaching competence, a very positive school climate, and significant relationships between teachers' personality, teaching competence, and school climate, with partial mediation of school climate in these relationships. (Maunes & Apostol, 2024).

Additionally, the Sig. value for students' attitudes is 0.004, which is also less than 0.05, indicating that students' attitudes have a significant impact on the quality of learning. This means that when students raise their hands to ask questions, acquire new knowledge, learn with enthusiasm, respect their peers' opinions, and strive to complete their homework well and on time, it positively influences teachers in asking questions, facilitating discussions, encouraging student opinions, giving praise, creating a safe learning environment free from disruptions, and managing the classroom effectively during lessons. Attitudes towards learning influence goal setting, problem-solving skills, beliefs, and both internal and external motivations, all of which impact students' overall academic performance (Sen, 2013). Students expressed positive attitudes towards in learning, benefiting from easy access to resources, improved communication with peers and instructors, and skill development, highlighting its importance for enhancing overall educational quality (Pham & Truong, 2023).

In the regression model, the unstandardized coefficient for teachers' competence is 0.387, with a t value of 4.622, while for students' attitudes, the coefficient is 0.311 with a t value of 3.015. This indicates that the variables of teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes contribute positively and significantly to the improvement of the quality of learning, with teachers' personality competence having a greater influence compared to students' attitudes in the context of this research. Discussing teacher personality and its impact on learning efficiency, it's essential to understand the necessary characteristics,

such as active interaction, listening skills, and pedagogical talent, so that teachers can build trust and effective communication with students and parents (Jurczak & Jurczak, 2015).

The simultaneous hypothesis test (F test) using SPSS version 24 indicated a significant influence of teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes on the quality of learning together. This is reflected in the ANOVA analysis results, where the Sig. value for regression is 0.000, which is less than 0.05, indicating that the regression model as a whole is significant. The F value of 31.229 shows that the independent variables, namely teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes, have a significant contribution to the variation in the quality of learning. With a total sum of squares of 557.368 and a residual of 258.445, these results indicate that both predictor variables collectively explain the variation occurring in the quality of learning. Therefore, it can be concluded that enhancing teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes can positively contribute to the improvement of the quality of learning in educational environments.

The analysis of effective contribution to the quality of learning shows that teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes have a significant influence. The effective contribution (SE) from each variable to the quality of learning is calculated as follows. For the variable of teachers' personality competence (X1), its effective contribution is 34.1%, derived from multiplying the regression beta coefficient of 0.504 by the correlation coefficient of 0.677, and then multiplying by 100%. Meanwhile, for the variable of students' attitudes (X2), the effective contribution is 19.5%, calculated similarly, using a beta regression coefficient of 0.329 multiplied by the correlation coefficient of 0.594, and then multiplied by 100%.

By summing the effective contributions of both variables, the total effective contribution to the quality of learning is 53.6%. This indicates that both teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes collectively provide a significant contribution to improving the quality of learning. Furthermore, the correlation values indicate a strong relationship between teachers' personality competence and the quality of learning (0.677), as well as between students' attitudes and the quality of learning (0.594), with Sig. values for each being below 0.01, indicating that the results are highly significant.

The relative contributions of teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes can be observed from the model analysis. In this model, the R value is 0.732, with an R Square of 0.536 and an Adjusted R Square of 0.519, indicating that approximately 53.6% of the variation in the quality of learning can be explained by these two variables. To calculate the relative contribution (SR) of each variable, the formula SR X1 = SE X1 / R Square × 100% is used, resulting in an SR for teachers' personality competence (X1) of 63.6%. Meanwhile, the relative contribution for students' attitudes (X2) is calculated using the formula SR X2 = SE X2 / R Square × 100%, yielding a value of 36.4%.

These results indicate that teachers' personality competence has a greater relative contribution compared to students' attitudes in influencing the quality of learning, highlighting the dominant role of teachers' personality competence in affecting the quality of learning. This emphasizes the importance of enhancing teachers' personality competence to improve the quality of education in learning environments. This review highlights how findings from personality theories can enhance educational psychology's understanding of teacher personality's role in education, analyzing studies on typologies, behaviors, identity, and proposing a comprehensive theory within school psychology's pedagogical framework (Göncz, 2017).

CONCLUSION

The analysis concludes that both teachers' personality competence and students' attitudes have a significant impact on the quality of learning, with teachers' personality competence contributing more than students' attitudes. Hypothesis testing shows that these two variables together can explain variations in the quality of learning, with very significant results. The effective and relative contributions of each variable reinforce the argument that improvements in teachers' competence greatly influence learning outcomes. Therefore, it is recommended that schools and educational institutions focus more on the development of teachers' personality competence through training and professional development. The personality

competence includes noble character, stability, wisdom, being a role model, good material organization, effective communication, mastery of the subject, a positive attitude, fair grading, flexibility in approach, and good student outcomes (Erina et al., 2016). Additionally, improving students' attitudes should also be a focus, so they can actively participate in the learning process. This is expected to create a better learning environment and enhance the overall quality of education. The attitudes students have towards learning are positively influenced by native speakers, peer groups, parents, teachers, and classroom arrangements, and these attitudes also affect students' internet addiction scores, with positive attitudes supporting the effective and efficient use of information technologies (Getie, 2020; Meral & Agir, 2019).

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