

ABSTRACT

This thesis is entitled "**THE INFLUENCE OF REWARD AND PUNISHMENT IN THE STUDENTS' LEARNING MOTIVATION IN LEARNING NATURAL SCIENCE SCIENCE IN CLASS V (FIVE) ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS MIDDLE LIMBANGAN TENGAH III**". This thesis writing aims to provide information about alternative learning methods that can be used to increase student motivation in participating in teaching and learning activities on Natural Sciences (IPA) subjects. If student motivation increases, both intrinsically and extrinsically it is expected that students' ability to absorb and understand teaching material will increase as well. The problem presented in this thesis is whether there is an influence of the use of reward and punishment methods in teaching and learning activities on student motivation. The method used by the author is the experimental method. The author conducted research in two different classes, namely class A as a control class and class B as an experimental class. When teaching in the control class the authors carry out the pretest, then carry out teaching and learning activities using the lecture method, questions and answers and assignments, then carry out the posttest. After completing the post-test activities students are assigned to fill in the questionnaire that the author has prepared. Then in the next hour the authors do the same thing in the experimental class but by using additional methods, namely the method of reward and punishment. The results obtained by the author after the authors analyze, encapsulate and perform data processing, that the use of the method of reward and punishment in teaching and learning activities is very influential in increasing student motivation in teaching and learning activities, even the ability of students in mastering the material increases significantly, when compared with teaching and learning activities that do not use the method of reward and punishment. The conclusion that the writer obtained is that the method of reward and punishment is very well used in teaching and learning activities to increase student motivation, so that with the strong motivation and high understanding of students for the material being taught will be good and increased. For future researchers who are interested in the same problem, the use of the reward and punishment method can be applied to any subject, not only to Natural Sciences.

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