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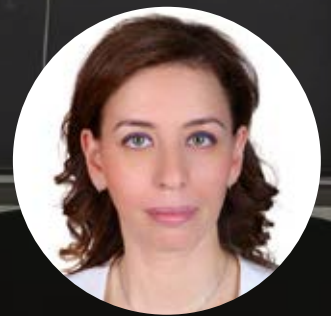
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Editor's Note...

"This too shall pass" is an adage that is used frequently by people when they are stuck in unimaginable scenarios. Scenarios that allow no escape, have no remedy, and the sufferer holds on to the final fleeting hope of "This too shall pass." But what of events that last up to years and continue to plague happiness? It has been over four months, and people are finally presuming that Coronavirus may finally go away! To some extent, people have adopted the bizarre lifestyle of covering their faces, standing feet apart, and staying home. Like many are saying, this would finally become a permanent lifestyle for an undetermined period.

Although, the situation is different for many countries like New Zealand- the first country to declare itself Virus-free. The pleasant news finally pointed towards the light at the end of the tunnel for many. Although professionals, students, and people, in general, have spent weeks stationed inside their houses. Adjusting back to a life that comprises of waking up for morning classes, listening to lectures, and socializing is going to be a whole new experience for teachers and students. Life after Coronavirus may never be the same again. In our recent issue, we are speculating about life post-corona for teachers, students, and management. We are also bringing some fresh articles and trends in the education sector, interviews, and a list of institutes seeking IAO's accreditation.

Jeff Wright, Editor in Chief



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COVID-19 has been equally testing for everyone. It has impacted different areas of life and has taken the form of a lethal poison. Although, a little hindrance in education can have a long-term effect on student productivity. During these trying times, teachers are extremely worried about student progress and learning. They are doing their best to continue student learning without compromising on quality. From live streams to video conferences, teachers are trying to use all and every medium they can get their hands on

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During this situation of COVID-19, most of the schools and educational institutes are choosing online learning through Live stream and video recordings. As discussed earlier, teachers are not tech-savvy and most of them are not familiar with online platforms and techniques of e-Learning. Although, online learning is not as complicated, read further how you can be a good teacher.



EDUCATION CULTURE POST COVID-19 WHAT'S GOING TO CHANGE?

Proximate learning has never seen a hiatus as big as the one that is currently going on. It's been more than 2 months that students have seen their classroom or sat on brown benches, taking down notes from the blackboard. The brutal wave of COVID-19 has impacted different areas of life, profoundly. Students have been learning from the comfort of their home, through their mobile phone devices or personal computers. Teachers who believed that learning is not possible from home have been proven wrong as almost all the population was in lock down, but learning didn't stop.

Although, resources have reported that the lock down may not continue for a long time now. It is about to come to an end and life may go back to normal. The blackboards may replace beaming light of mobile phones and large personal computers. But are students ready for it?

As mentioned earlier, it has been more than 2 months that students have stayed in. It is enough time to get used to a new lifestyle and adapt to changes. Experts believe that students are going to have a tough time getting back to the normal routine of waking up in the morning and going back to school. Not only that but learning from home has changed a lot of things both for students and teachers.



Use of Online Tools

Online learning is based entirely on technology. Teachers engage with the students, assigned work, and graded them through different applications and video chatting. Even the teachers who were once against Online learning adapted to it pretty well. Many students and teachers realized it during the lock down that online tools are not a luxury, but can make learning way easier and convenient. Learning during lock down boosted student performance with the help of advanced methods. Although, normal proximate learning never included online tools as a permanent option.

Students and teachers alike may find it hard to study in a complete traditional environment devoid of online tools. Post-lock down education will highly include online tools and methods as they have now become a permanent part of learning. Post lock down traditional classes are likely to have a touch of online learning, permanently. A mobile device here, Google search there, is going to be a normal part of any class. Teachers may also prefer to grade students online and receive homework online as well.



Adjusting to Timing

Many online classes and schools had one thing in common i.e arbitrary class timings. We have mentioned time and again that online learning is largely based on personal motivation, therefore online classes usually lacked proper timing and discipline. Students may find it hard to wake up early in the morning and going to school. Sitting in class for long hours and paying attention can also be a bit of a challenge for both teachers and students.

Online classes did not have an impact on student performance despite its casual nature. Although the normal traditional classes require proper discipline and time following from students, which can be a bit of a challenge after 2 months long lock down.



Boosted Class Engagement

Despite its innumerable benefits, one thing that online classes always lacked is class engagement. Teachers and students realize the importance of engagement and interaction. In a traditional classroom, teachers are going to interact and engage more with the students to boost learning. During online classes, class engagement was reduced the most, and students fail to smoothly interact with their peers and teachers. Teacher's realized it more how important interaction is, therefore they promote engagement more than usual in a traditional classroom.



A Shift in Roles

One of the major differences between the traditional classroom and online classroom is of authority and leadership. In a traditional classroom, teachers are the ultimate leader and supervisors of not only the classroom, but every single assignment, course, and test. Although, in online learning, students were mostly in charge of their own performance and work. They engaged with teachers only to acquire their approval and grades on their performance. Due to decreased engagement and interaction, teachers could only guide students in the right direction the rest was up to the students.

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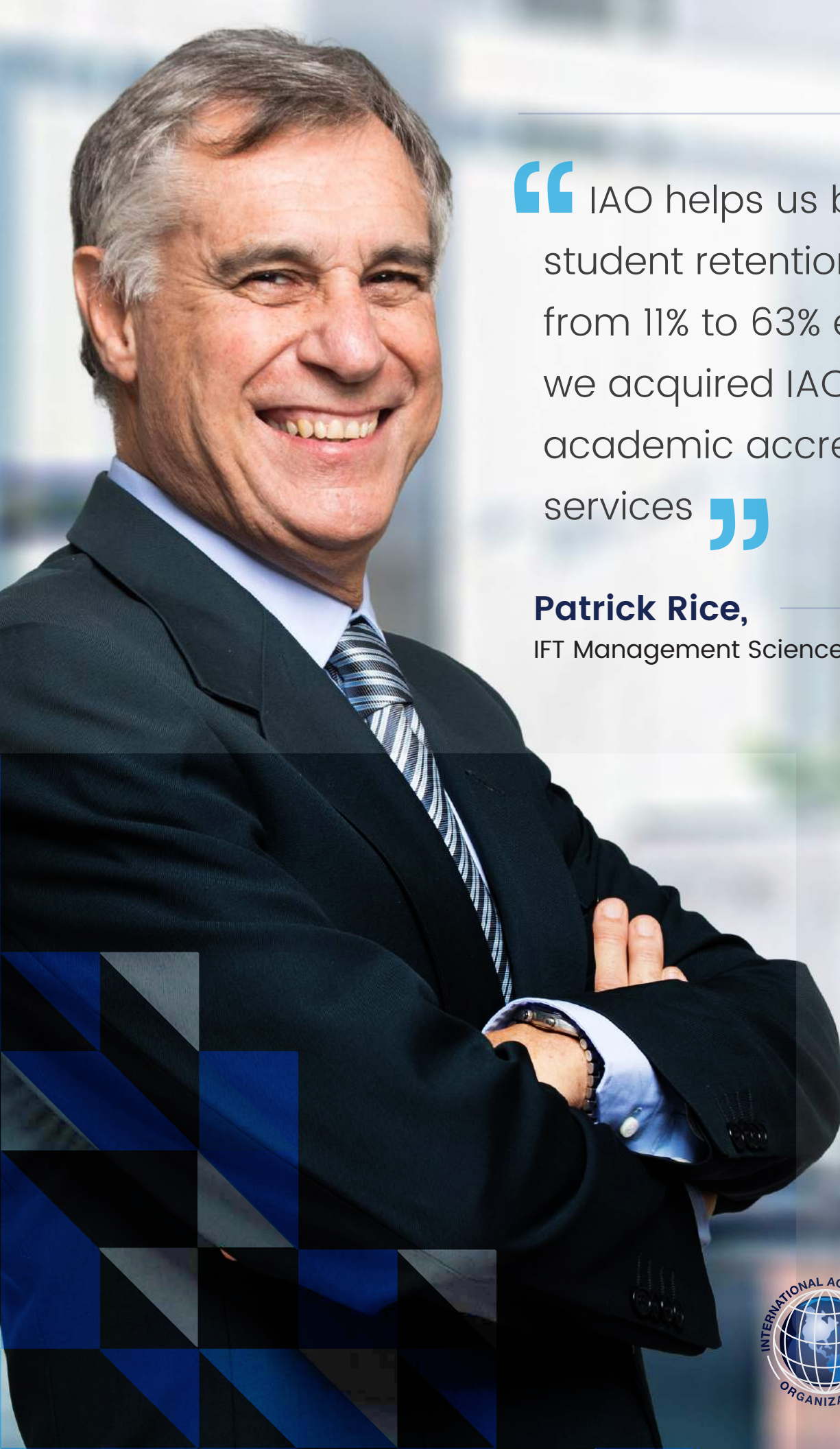


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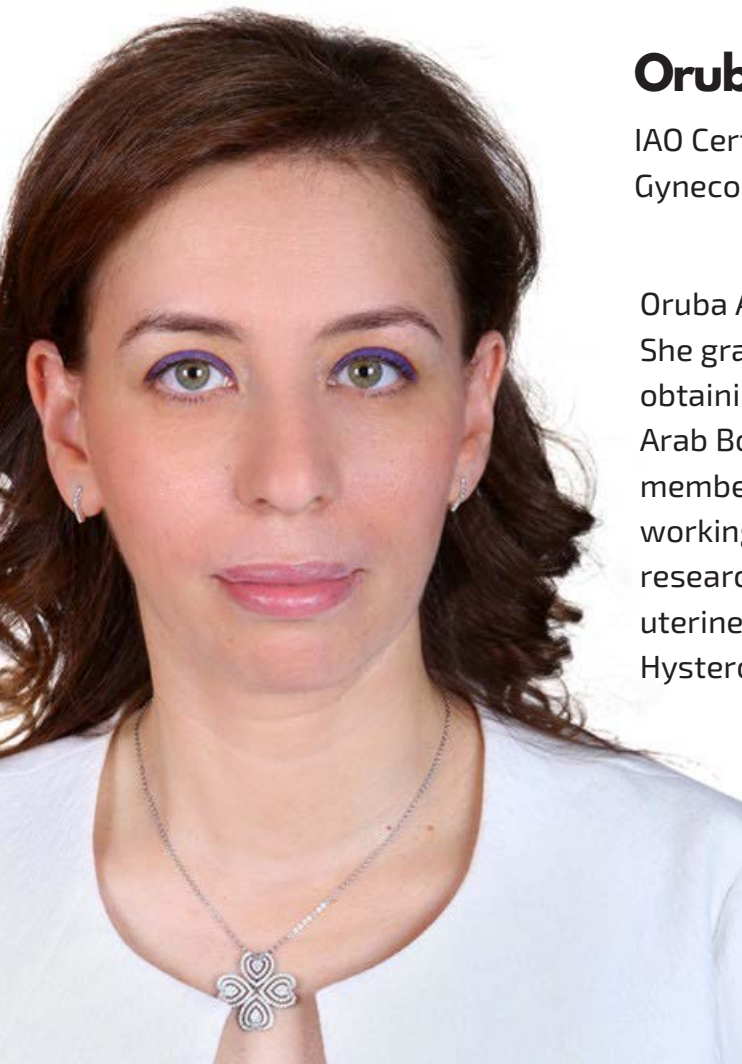
Her training in psychology and an innate love for children gives her a natural insight to resolve issues in parenting as well as teaching. Rachana's extensive experience from Preschool, K12 schools, university-level students and teachers, enhances her precision in execution.

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5 TIPS FOR STUDENTS TO STUDY EFFECTIVELY IN QUARANTINE



These are the hard times when everyone is finding themselves bound inside their houses. Coronavirus, that started as a regular illness has spread like wildfire in the past three to four weeks. This abrupt spread has resulted in stringent lock downs and quarantines. COVID-19 has damaged and negatively impacted businesses and educational institutes around the world. In the initial phase of coronavirus, schools, colleges, and other educational institutes were the first to close, considering the health concerns. This has damaged the academic progress of students to a great extent.

The outbreak of COVID has changed the lives of everyone, but the educational sector is impacted the most. E-learning has been around for quite a long time. All schools are benefiting from the fruits of e-learning to continue the education of students and their businesses, as well. Although, smooth online learning may not be as easy to achieve as it seems. There are many hurdles in e-Learning that require professional help from teachers. We inquired e-learning professionals and experts and gathered a few tips to achieve impeccable e-learning. Have a look at how students can learn effectively from the comfort of their homes.



1-Get a Study Place

Scholars and research prove that the study environment and work settings have a great impact on student performance. To focus properly on studying and content, students may want to carve out a space that is fixed only for a class. Studying at a place where students spend their leisure time would reduce their productivity. During this time, students may want to set up a study desk and only spend their class time and offline learning over the desk. Students can even turn a small room corner into a study nook, the main concept is to have a learning environment that induces productivity.



2- Multitask effectively

One of the major hurdles in online learning is boredom and distractions. Students often get bored looking at the screen for hours which results in distractions and lack of attention. Students can deal with this issue by multitasking in an effective way. Doing small home chores such as peeling vegetables, fold laundry, doodle, and so on. Small home chores are better than surfing the internet or listening to music. Doing something productive while keeping hands busy will help the students focus during the online class.



3- Take Small Breaks

Long online classes can be tiring. Research proves that taking small breaks can boost productivity and the learning of students. Make sure that small breaks are productive and not too distracting. Students may want to avoid watching movies or other videos. Working out, doing home chores, reading, or listening to music can help the students clear up their minds and think more productively. We asked students what helped them get through online classes, 80% of students said that taking small breaks really helped them focus more effectively.



4- Set Realistic Goals

If you are studying yourself without the supervision of the teacher, then make sure that you are not setting the goals too high. Many students end up setting high goals and fail to achieve them. This results in low productivity when they realize that they failed to achieve their goals. It is crucial for students to set realistic and achievable goals to make online learning easier for them. It often happens that students set goals to study for 3 hours but they are only able to study for one, this results in reduced motivation. Keep your personal motivation in mind and set goals according to that.



5- Record your lectures

Teachers often prefer to conduct live classes as they are time-saving and allow them to take questions from students. Although, struggling students find it hard to study in live classes due to a lack of confidence to ask questions or lecture pace. Students can use software such as OBS or screen recorders to record the lectures of teachers. They can listen to these lectures after the class and play it on repeat to make their notes. Recorded lectures can be extremely helpful in the long run and can help them study for exams as well.

Finally

There are many hurdles and issues in online learning. Ed-tech is not easy to follow the trend, therefore, it is extremely important that teachers are well equipped. If teachers are not well aware of Ed-Tech, then students may have their work cut out for them.

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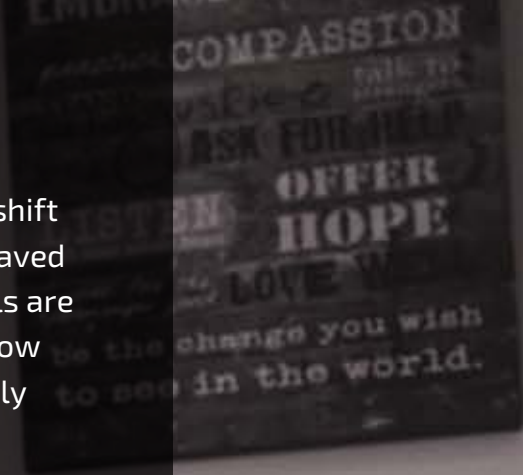


digital. One of the areas that faced a huge shift is the educational sector. Online learning saved the educational sector as almost all schools are now conducting online classes. Reports show that e-learning has so far going on smoothly and students find it more convenient and beneficial. It has exponentially boosted the productivity level of students. Although, the same can't be said about teachers.

It is not news that the current age of teachers is not a huge fan of digital natives. They despise the overuse of mobile phones and the majority of them resist the use of technology in class. There are several reports that prove the harms of mixing technology and education, but the evidence is weak. Although that evidence is strong enough to stop the educators from allowing the use of technological devices such as mobile phones, laptops, and computers in classrooms. A few drawbacks and weak evidence have resulted in resistance from teachers when it came to using technology in class. This resistance had a huge impact on Online learning as e-learning never made it to the mainstream.

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Although, online learning is not as complicated. Read further to know how you can a good online teacher.





1-Get Good Equipment

It can be extremely stressful to do anything online when you don't have the right equipment. Teachers are recommended to get high-end equipment so they can focus on teaching and learning how stuff works online. Buying a good mic, a camera, and a headphone is highly recommended to achieve a smooth online class. This way students will find it easier to understand what the teacher is saying and the class can go smoothly.

A dark, moody photograph of a hand holding a pen over a document. The document has the text "LET'S GET STARTED." written on it. The lighting is low, creating a professional and focused atmosphere.

LET'S GET STARTED.

2-Prepare Simple Course Material

Creating a complex and complicated course material is a common mistake that teachers make. Students find it hard to understand complex material as young students already have a short attention span. Teachers may want to create syllabus and files that are easy and simple. This would boost productivity and keep students engaged for a long time. Online learning is based on self-motivation; therefore, teachers should pay special attention to course material and make sure that it is engaging and involves student participation.



3-Use Visuals

One of the many reasons why students lose attention in an online class is because they use bland and boring documents. PowerPoint presentations that comprise of plain documents and texts can make class boring and result in a non-interactive and tedious class. Teachers are recommended to use videos and images; this would help students look at the lessons and understand it better. There are many teachers who use animations and even use a video camera so that students remain active and enthusiastic during the class. Animations with bright colors and simpler text work the best to convey a lesson.

4-Get Good Internet Connection

If you are a teacher who is planning to conduct a live class with a camera, then you may want to change your internet. It can be testing to conduct a live lesson when you have slow internet, as it would only result in a pixelated video and laggy audio. Your internet should be stable with a bandwidth speed of 5-6 Mb/ps. This speed limit would allow a smooth video and audio for your students. Also, ensure that you inform your internet provider before the class because sometimes even fast internet gets disconnected midstream. This would distract the students if you keep disconnecting.

A smartphone displaying the Facebook app interface is positioned next to a laptop keyboard. The phone screen shows a Facebook post with a photo of a group of people. The laptop keyboard is visible in the background, showing keys like 'esc', '1', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9', '0', 'tab', 'caps lock', 'shift', 'control', 'option', 'command', 'fn', 'a', 's', 'd', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'j', 'k', 'l', 'z', 'x', 'c', 'v', 'b', 'n', 'm', and 'command'.

5-Incorporate Mobile Applications

This is one of the best ways to boost online class learning even when you are not live. You can use mobile applications such as Slash, Quizlet, EdEx, and TED to keep in touch with the students. Using applications after class will allow you to stay in touch with the students, provide them feedback, and provide them with course material beforehand. This way students can read the material before joining live stream and will find it easier to understand complex concepts. They can also use Google Drive to upload material and communicate with students through email.

Finally

Online learning has been around for quite a while, but it is still a relatively new concept. Although, teachers are having a hard time grasping new concepts and notions of online learning. Considering the circumstances, it is important that teachers familiarize themselves with e-Learning and Ed-tech so that it can become a productive, important, and significant part of the educational sector.



Students and teachers both seemed to enjoy this arrangement where both the parties worked as partners rather than leaders and followers. Post COVID-19 classroom may incorporate some of the changes that took place in online learning. Teachers may go from being the sage on the stage to a guide on the side. The student-teacher role is expected to take a form where students will ultimately be more responsible for their own performance whereas teachers will guide them in the right direction.

All in all, educational institutes that adopted proper COVID-19 online learning culture may find it hard to go back to the old normal style. All the schools that followed the proper learning style during lock down may go into a hybrid model, where learning is a combination of online and traditional style. According to experts, it is not a bad change and is something that educational institutes and experts should promote and support for student learning

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