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The Soul in the System – Why Educators Are Irreplaceable by AI

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These days, AI technology has advanced rapidly. AI-powered innovations have made many parts of human life easier - simplifying tasks and streamlining processes we never thought possible. It's taken the world by storm, not just because of how impressive it is, but because of how helpful it has become in our daily lives. From organizing schedules to generating ideas, AI has become something like a helpful best friend, especially in professional settings.

One area where AI has had a strong impact is education. It assists in grading, helps educators plan lessons more effectively, and even supports students in understanding complex topics better. It's undeniable that AI is reshaping education in ways we never imagined before. The system is improving, and students are learning in more personalized, accessible ways thanks to this technology.

But as much as AI is doing all of this, one thing remains clear: educators cannot be replaced. There's an important question that keeps coming up - will AI eventually replace teachers and lecturers? In my view, the answer is a firm no.

Why? Because there are human values; deep, meaningful ones that AI simply cannot replicate.

There's something we need to truly understand; in a world driven by technology, the role of educators goes far beyond just delivering lessons. Teaching isn't just about passing on knowledge from textbooks into students' minds. It's about nurturing future generations. Educators shape students' personalities. They teach values. They play a huge part in building not just smart students, but good human beings. This is where AI falls short. What AI lacks is the human touch, which is the quality that is uniquely present in every educator's soul.

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When educators step into a classroom, they're not just teaching a subject. They're reading the room full of students. They look at their students and pick up on things like body language, energy, mood, and struggles that AI can't see. Every student has different needs, personalities, and challenges. A good teacher knows how to navigate that and adjust their style. They are able to group students differently based on what they see and feel and find ways to connect with everyone in the room, even if it's not always perfect.

In this scenario, AI might offer a general solution like planning a lesson that seems ideal for the whole class. But teaching isn't one-size-fits-all. Human educators know how to shift gears when students are tired, how to explain things differently if someone looks lost, and how to notice when someone needs a little more time or encouragement.

And then there's the personality of the educators themselves. That matters more than we give credit for. A passionate, kind, inspiring educator can spark curiosity in students. They can motivate someone to dream bigger or to keep trying when things get hard. Not to mention that they can always consult one and seek help in their learning or even personal advice. AI can give you answers, but it can't make you feel seen, heard, or inspired as much as humans do.

What educators do is that they lead by example. When students watch how their teacher speaks, behaves, or reacts, they learn more than just the subject. They learn empathy and values. That kind of influence can't be programmed.

At the end of the day, this article isn't meant to criticise AI or list out all the ways it falls short compared to human educators. That is not the point or essence of this piece.

The point is to recognize that while AI is powerful and helpful, we need to find a balance. A healthy, thoughtful blend between technology and the human element is just what is needed to make learning truly effective.

AI should be seen as a tool to assist and support, not to replace. When used wisely, it can help educators plan lessons more efficiently, provide better resources, and even free up time through things like automated grading. That saved time can then be spent where it really matters; with the students.

So instead of thinking of AI as a threat to educators, we should think of it as a partner that helps teachers do what they do best or even better. By working together, by finding harmony between technology and humanity, we can shape a more dynamic and compassionate education system. One that not only teaches but truly nurtures the next generation.

All in all, AI is not a substitute. It will not replace teachers. And really, the conversation shouldn't even be about who's replacing who. That's not the heart of the matter. What we should be talking about is how to make education better. How to improve the learning experience - for students and educators alike. When we shift the focus toward collaboration instead of competition, that's when real progress can happen. Because in the classroom, it's not just about what is taught - but about the soul behind the teaching.



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- Napoleon Hill