

Programme topic: How can group study help your daughter succeed?

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Billboard:

Welcome to our school, a program which talks about girl's education in South Sudan. In our program today we are asking how group study can help your daughter.

BBC 1

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Does your daughter have freedom to attend such group studies? One teacher has an observation.

BBC 2

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All these will come to you from our school today.

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Studio record

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I am Chol Ngut Khor

Cue 1

Has your daughter ever asked you for a permission to go and study with other children after school? Did you have some different thoughts in your head about where she was going?

Well, studying in a group is something some school children are using as a way to succeed in their education.

We will shortly hear the benefit of this from some children who have chosen to study together, but now let's hear some views from different children in POC about what they think about group study?

Field record

Parent voxpop

- I do read alone because if I read with my college may be they will pass or get better mark than me or we will be in the position in the school during the exam result which I don't like that is I read alone.
- *I read together with my colleges because if there is something which is defeating me my colleges will help me and explain it to me and also if there is something which I know and they don't know I will also help them with it*
- *I am reading together with my colleagues because we put our thought and minds together by helping ourselves and sharing together.*
- *I do read alone ,because I have no time to join the rest of friends because I am full engaged at home , when I come from school I will be busy with house work and I am not allow to go out for reading in the evening or at night.*

Field record

I am now at Liech primary school the morning students/pupils had gone home and the school is a bit quiet here in the school I get some students in one of the class who study together, they are four in number 2 boys and 2 girls, I get One of them is teaching the rest as a teacher while the rest listen on. He is holding a chalk board in one hand and a book on the other, he is explaining Religions question as the rest in the group are listening.

Here is Duop, Yuyu, Banang and Sunday, all of them are primary eight students I am going to speak with Yuyu, Duop and Banang with exclusion of Sunday because she does not speak Nuer language.

Q1: As I get you here study together as a group, Duop can you explain to me how you form this group and why?

A1: We started this group since our first term, the reasons why we form the group is because we wanted to support ourselves because if there is something which I don't know so I will benefits from my colleges who know it so all of us benefits from

whatever each of us know and we did not form this group our study wouldn't be smooth as we are now.

Q2: thanks Duop, Yuyu, can you tell me how this group is helping you as a girl?

A2: The group is helping me a lot before I was failing some of the subjects some time with zeros but now I do perform very well with high marks it is helping me a lot and I appreciate it

Q4: How about you Banang?

A4: Yuyu have said most of the thing but, student get only 25% from teacher the rest of 75% is from the student, so for me to get this 75% is though my classmates who share with me in this group, like me now I know mathematic, social science and English, so I am helping my colleges with these subject now because I want all of us to pass primary eight together.

Q5: Let me come back to you Yuyu, tell me the challenges you are getting in joining this mixed group as a girls from your parents?

A5: I have a lot of challenges to come to this group sometimes especially during weekend when there is no classes and at night/evening, sometime my parent refused to allow me to come for reading, because they think that maybe I am going for others activities, that I may just go to friends, not really for reading unless if I go with somebody at home.

Q6: Then what do you tell them so that they allow you to come?

A6: I always tell them that I not going anywhere rather than reading and if you cannot trust me then let me go with one of the child at home and she/he will tell you if I go anywhere not reading , then when I tell them that they allow me to come.

Q7: Banang as you hear from Yuyu that she have problem with her parents because they thought she is going for boys and they may not trust on a group which mixed with boys , so what is your responsibilities as a boys so that parents trust you so that your sisters will continue with you in this group ?

A7: Parents sometime have issues seeing their daughters reading with us, but what I can say is that as we are going up to their home and eat together at home with these girls this is something which can make them trust us, secondly we always go to our sister's home when we dress in school uniforms so that parents will be able to know that we are students we have to introduce ourselves to the parents.

Q8: how about you Duop, what ways can make parent truth you boys?

A8: Parents can trust us especially when we go home with their daughters because somebody who is having different agenda with girl can be easily recognized from the face and eyes, secondly we commit ourselves and they will see it at the end of the days because now the end of the year and exam are approaching which will really prove to them that we not doing anything bad with their daughters.

Q9: Some time there are lot of competition between students which lead to jealousy, feeling that when I help this guy she or he may perform better than me how is you encounter this?

A9:Because , we have form this group with the aim of helping ourselves I cannot feel jealous to teach my college with what I know , like me I know religion, history and science , and what make to help my colleges with subjects it is in my spirit , I have good spirit which let me to help others and I am always very cooperative with my colleges , being candidate or students does not need you to be jealous, it does not help you will never perform well when you isolate yourself , I always thanks my classmates who also manage to overcome this situation.

Q10: Yuyu how did you make it to teach your colleagues who may compete with you?

A10: I did it because the ways they benefits from me I also benefits from them , like I was performing very poor in some subject but now my performance improve because of them.

Thanks you very much Duop, Yuyu and Banang for sharing with us.

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Studio record

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Field record

I am in the office with the head teacher Santino Gatkuoth, the office is organized I can see cartons of school learning materials written GESS (girl education in South Sudan)

Q1 Santino, I just talk with group of pupils in your school who study together, in this what kind of support are you giving them so that they perform the duties very well?

A1: Here in the POC there scarcity of resources which we can offer to them but we do is to allow them to study in the school after classes and weekend and we provided the all the learning materials including chalk and blackboards which can help them, and we provided the necessary security, conducive environment for their studies challenge is that we don't have light in the school were they can study at night.

Q2: Girls are still being prevented by their parents to join such a group, so what is your observation on this as a teacher in this school?

A2: My observation is that, some parents are still having some bad perception about girls' studies thinking that maybe they are not going for studies this sometime affect the performant of girls because, some time they are engaged at house duties to help their mothers especially during weekend that is why they refused them to come

Q3: As you said that it is hard for parent to allow their daughters fully, so what can you tell to such a parents who prevented their daughters to join the group studies?

A3: What I can say is that parent need to treat children equally, not only favouring boys, if girls are not encourage they will not perform well and they will always feel shy to boys but if she get use to reading with boy she will not shy to boys and it will be easy for her to continue with her study, allowing boy to go to school and keeping girls at home is not good , keeping girls to do house work will not help the ways we treat boys we need to treat girls like that.

Q4: Can you tell me the benefits they will get when they studies together?

A4: Reading together is very important for the pupils because teacher give only 25% and for them to get the rest of the percentage is through reading as group so that they can help themselves, it they don't understand something from the teacher they will be able to share it together and benefits from those who may get it, secondly it is very important because it will help them to socialized together, by sharing their ideas and they will grow up with love among themselves.

Thanks you very much Santino for sharing with us.

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Conclusion

With that we have come to the end of our today program today, we have been finding out how group study can help your daughter

In the program we learnt that, students who study in group are performing very well then the one who studies alone, however girls are still having lot of challenges from their parents to allow them to join these group because they thought their daughter may branch somewhere and also will not do house work activities

And the teachers are working very hard to support girls in their studies and they call on parents to allow their daughters to join the group studies and also treat girls like the ways they treat their boys because girls' education is very important.

• Teacher Santino said allowing your daughter to study together with a group help her understand thing she missed from the teacher much better.

Thank you very much for tuning in to our school program which talks about girl education in South Sudan

I am Chol Ngut Khor.