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The paper "A Study of Hard Work and Discipline Character Education in Junior High Schools" has been preliminarily reviewed.

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#### Eurasian Journal of Educational Research (EJER)

#### **Reviewer 1**

The research explains that Character education is one of the efforts made to prepare humans to become better individuals. It further explains two major character traits, i.e., discipline and hard work, which play an important role in dealing with the Tunggu Tubang custom in the Semende Regency, South Sumatra province. This study aimed at describing the character of hard work and discipline character possessed by students as well as analyzing the obstacles experienced in the realization of hard work and discipline character education in schools. In addition, the study also aimed at knowing the difference between hard work character education and discipline character education in Junior High School 1 Semende Barat Laut and Junior High School 5 Semende Barat Laut. The topic of this research is interesting and relevant. I found the mixed-method research design used by the authors appropriate for the study. I also found that the manuscript was overall well-structured but very, unfortunately, not well-written. Still, the current version of the manuscript needs improvements. For instance,

- The authors should explain why education is one of the efforts made to prepare humans as better personalities. The authors also explained that there are eighteen values of character education that exist in every curriculum in junior high schools. However, there is a need to explain in detail all these values of characters. Also, there is a need to explain the study's purpose in the last paragraph of the introduction section.
- The authors should present in detail the Research Design by explaining the research sample, data collection, and instruments procedures. Researchers should also add a separate table for Hard Work Character Questionnaire Grid indicating the variables and their indicators.

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- Authors need to specify the data analysis techniques used in the current study. Also, which software and quantitative tools are used during the analysis?
- In results section authors should explain the descriptive statistical analysis performed to assess the psychometric properties of all the study variables. Also, the results of the descriptive statistical analysis should be presented in tabular form.
- Results presented in the table explaining the students' discipline character education should also be explained in textual form
- Authors should also separately discuss the hard work and disciplined characters
- In the discussion, the authors should enrich the elaboration of findings by adding details on how educators instill character education of hard work and discipline in various ways. Also, research should present the evidence proving the current study findings in light of previous literature.
- The conclusion section should also contain the recommendation and implications, explaining the study's novelty. There is a need to discuss the implications and clearly state the significance of the results and their applicability per the study context in light of existing studies. There is also a need to identify potential future research areas.
- There are many grammatical issues in the article. There is a need to avail the services of professional poof editors or native speakers to enhance the manuscript's readability.

### **Reviewer 2**

A Study of Hard Work and Discipline Character Education in Junior High Schools is well presented by the authors. They reported that character education on both variables, hard work and discipline, in Junior High School 1 Semende Barat Laut and Junior High School 5 Semende Barat Laut, achieved 'Good' feedback. This was evident in the description obtained in the 'good' category for each indicator used. However, there were differences in character education in the two schools used. Character education of hard work and discipline at Junior High School 5 Semende Barat Laut was superior to character education for hard work and discipline at Junior High School 1 Semende Barat Laut. These findings are valuable in education literature. However, the following are some suggestions and drawbacks in the study to improve its effectiveness.

- A. The introduction is very well elaborated, with extra details. Authors should summarize the important points with clear descriptions of the character values discussed by the authors. Also, the study purpose needs clarity with specific evidence.
- B. The methods section is written well. However, there is a need to elaborate on who was the population in this study. The table should be added presenting Categories and Intervals of Hard Work Characters used to collect data.
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- F. The conclusion section should be added to summarize the fundamental research with significance/implications and recommendations.
- G. There are many grammatical issues in the article throughout, and the authors are especially confused about where to use and where not to use "articles" and commas, singular or plural, etc.

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## **RESPONSE TO REVIEWER 1**

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# **RESPONSE TO REVIEWER-2**

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	Education in Junior High Schools is well presented	remarks and for allowing us to revise our
	by the authors. They reported that character	manuscript. We are very grateful for all the valid
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The authors have imparted valuable efforts to revise the manuscript as respected reviewers' comments. Here are some minor suggestions before accepting the manuscript for possible publication in the journal.

- 1. Revise the introduction section to clearly state the study objectives and novelty, clearly indicating customs and culture followed in the educational sector to improve learning outcomes.
- 2. Add a clear figure explaining the Distribution of Questionnaires and Interviews and complete research methodology.
- 3. Add more details of data analysis and report the results in tables for more clarity and explanation.

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1.	Revise the introduction section to clearly state the study objectives and novelty and clearly indicate customs and culture followed in the educational sector to improve learning outcomes.	Dear reviewer, we have now again revised the introduction section to clearly state the study objectives and novelty and clearly indicated customs and culture followed in the educational sector to improve learning outcomes Please see pages 2-4
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