

Words to value

Prof. Jaap Schouten PhD. is an educationalist who, before his retirement, trained future teachers at the Free University (VU) in Amsterdam. Recently he developed a set of cards for professionals in the educational field. With these cards he intends to provide you with a challenging tool to occupy yourself once more with the pedagogic and didactic heart of your profession. You can use the cards just by yourself, but also in dialogue with your colleague(s).

Each box contains 55 cards with education related Words to Value.

Jaap Schouten was and is highly interested in Values in Education. And specifically in social-emotional development of pupils. Apart from that Jaap still invests a lot of time in social activities. Yojana Project support is just one of these. Twice he was in India for Yojana to train local teachers in interactive teaching. This was something very new, especially in the rural areas where Yojana and its partners are active.

The aim of the 'Words to Value' in the words of Jaap are:

1. *Teaching is an essential aspect in the education and guidance of students. A constant reflection on and adjustment to our working methods is of vital importance.*
2. *The cooperation with colleagues will form a continuously growing part of the practice of education. Practice is growing too complex to be dealt with successfully at an individual level. The quality of education increases by cooperation of all colleagues.*
3. *A pilot learns to fly the aircraft by instruction and coaching of an experienced colleague. But the latter will also learn from his trainee. In the same way a teacher will only learn his profession by instruction and coaching of a teacher, who, at the same time, will pick up some things from his less experienced colleague. Being a teacher does not necessarily have to be a lonely profession as such."*



9 - 16 In the classroom

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It is justified to expect teachers to know what they are teaching, but no teacher is able to detect what is being learned at the moment of teaching.

17 - 24 The Students

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Pupils don't care what you know until they know that you care.

Also in the future Jaap is prepared to participate in this project. Inside the box you'll find his e-mail address. He is open for reactions and suggestions.

Jaap Schouten is very much involved in the Activities of Yojana. That is why he appointed Yojana to be the publisher. The complete benefits will be spent on the projects in India. The prices per set will be:

1 box	£ 8,-
5 boxes	37,50
10 boxes	67,20
20 boxes	125,-
30 boxes and more	5,90 per box



"The Words to Value are geared toward norms, values, practises and decisions on education. They are stimulating and invite to reflect from what students notice, experience and need, from a professional viewpoint.

The Words to value are fit to be used in trainings and amongst members of individual school teams who feel the desire to discuss other topics than timetables, days off, notebooks and pencils.

I do recommend these cards wholeheartedly."

Martin Kessels MA Ed.
Retired lecturer Fontys University of Applied Sciences

"Jaap Schouten's Words to Value render important, acknowledged scientific didactic principles. Moreover I'm very enthusiastic about the idea to use these cards as medium. Cards have more impact than a book or an article. By circulating the cards colleagues will start speaking about the content and the ideas will start to live.

As far as I am concerned the Words to Value definitely can be an important contribution to the improvement of our education. Both in Europe and in other countries. My intention definitely is to make use of them in the teacher courses at the Training College for Teachers of AVANS University of Applied Sciences."

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