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| Journal Name: | [**Asian Journal of Education and Social Studies**](https://journalajess.com/index.php/AJESS) |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_AJESS\_138017** |
| Title of the Manuscript: | **Development Of Teaching Modules Based On Problem-Based Learning To Improve Critical Thinking Skills And Learning Achievement Of Students In The Subject IPS Class 8 At SMP Negeri 1 Telaga Kab. Gorontalo** |
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| PART 1: Comments | | |
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| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | This study looks at how **problem-based learning (PBL)** can make social studies. The students are encouraged to **think critically**, **solve real-world problems**, and take an active role in their learning. The research shows that this approach not only boosts **learning achievement** but also helps students develop valuable **reasoning and problem-solving skills** they can use beyond the classroom. By offering **practical strategies** for educators, this study supports a shift toward **student-centered teaching**, making education more interactive, relevant, and impactful for young learners. |  |
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| Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | Yes, the language English is suitable for scholarly communication. |  |
| Optional/General comments | This study introduces **problem-based learning (PBL)** to make social studies (IPS) more engaging. PBL encourages students to **think critically, solve real-world problems**, and take an active role in learning. The research offers **practical strategies** for educators to create **interactive lessons**, helping students improve their **academic performance** while developing essential **reasoning and analytical skills** for the future |  |

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