

NORTHERN CAPE, TEACHERS: COMMENTS ABOUT THE BCP (2023)

- 1. "The BASIC CONCEPT PROGRAMME was incredibly <u>helpful for</u> me in <u>demonstrating</u> <u>foundational skills</u> to my learners, aiding their grasp of new concepts. I'm grateful for being part of this program."
- 2. "BCP <u>aligned perfectly with Caps</u>, enhancing a child's ability to respond in complete sentences. It notably boosted confidence in slower learners by adapting lessons to their levels, resulting in marked improvement by the fourth term. As a teacher, seeing a positive end from our efforts is crucial, and BCP accomplishes that."
- 3. "The Basic Concepts program proved highly educational, especially in <u>math and</u> <u>vocabulary.</u> It was a fantastic opportunity to join, and the students thoroughly enjoyed it."
- 4. "What an outstanding program! It <u>actively engaged learners</u> while making learning enjoyable. The <u>hands-on activities</u> were a hit with children, especially <u>benefiting slower learners</u>, whose progress was evident by the third term. They can now express themselves fully, and parents noticed their improvements in various areas."
- 5. "Dr. Louise, I feel incredibly fortunate to have learned so much from you. Your workshops opened my eyes to aspects of teaching I hadn't explored before. <u>Teaching children to speak in full sentences</u> and draw shapes independently has been amazing. Keep up the excellent work! Have a blessed day."
- 6. "As a new Grade R teacher, the Basic Concepts Programme was incredibly <u>helpful</u> both in my classroom and for my studies."
- 7. "The Basic Concepts program comprehensively develops Grade R learners in fundamental areas like colors. As a teacher, it helps me understand a learner's knowledge and <u>fosters</u> development in drawing, painting, and critical thinking."
- 8. "It was an enlightening experience, and I gained a lot from it. Learners improved significantly, learning valuable skills while we focused on enhancing listening and facilitating their growth. The facilitator was incredibly helpful throughout."
- 9. "BCP serves as the key to holistic development for kids, providing a strong foundation."
- 10. "The Basic Concepts Programme <u>deeply enriches teachers' understanding of mathematics</u> and encourages a more profound comprehension."
- 11. "I've gained insights into sizes, positions, shapes, and colors through the Basic Concepts Programme."
- 12. "A valuable and practical program to implement in the classroom."

- 13. "It greatly supported my learning and teaching within the curriculum."
- 14. "An engaging program that has enhanced my learning and has me eagerly anticipating https://www.my.students.will.interact.and.grow.through.different.levels. Thanks to Dr. Benjamin for initiating such impactful work."
- 15. "BCP provides a simple, enjoyable, and <u>fun platform for teachers to explore learning</u> with their students. Learners relished every session, and personally, I enjoyed teaching position, witnessing the incredible skills learners developed."
- 16. "Thank you for introducing BCP to us; it's been a wonderful experience."
- 17. "The Basic Concepts Programme is a <u>powerful tool for Grade R learners</u>, fostering good thinking skills and encouraging sorting collective objects effectively. The active participation of learners during this program is noteworthy."
- 18. "The Basic Concepts Programme has <u>altered my perspective on learning</u>, offering new teaching skills that have greatly benefited my students. I'm thankful for this program and the wealth of knowledge I've gained."
- 19. "BCP's simple and effective presentation greatly benefits our learners, providing a solid foundation."
- 20. "A beneficial program enabling teachers to <u>interact individually with learners in smaller</u> groups."
- 21. "BCP was an eye-opening experience, fostering growth for both my students and me. It's remarkable how a <u>simple set of resources</u> facilitated hands-on experiences and team growth. Thank you for your continuous support."
- 22. "The BCP programme is incredibly effective, <u>promoting independence in children's</u> <u>learning</u>, enhancing their communication skills beyond single-word responses, and fostering confident learners."
- 23. "It's an invaluable programme <u>accommodating all learners</u>, especially those facing difficulties. The emphasis on shapes, colors, and sizes aligns well with CAPS. Let's continue this essential learning journey."
- 24. "The Basic Concepts Programme injects fun into learning, keeping learners engaged while offering an optimal learning experience, enhancing their abstract thinking abilities."
- 25. "BCP significantly benefits both teachers and learners, <u>developing vocabulary</u> and fostering excellence across various CAPS topics."
- 26. "This program lays a strong foundation for learners, aiding in their cognitive development.

 We eagerly await our certification as evidence of our participation."
- 27. "Basic Concepts Programme <u>cultivates learners' confidence</u> in their abilities."
- 28. "BCP proves invaluable in education and everyday life, delighting children in every learning moment. Its <u>application in my BEd foundation phase studies</u> has yielded incredibly positive outcomes. Grateful for the education in this program."
- 29. "A fantastic learning program that <u>promotes mental development in children</u>, enhancing their skills and knowledge across various domains simultaneously."

- 30. "BCP's holistic approach <u>fosters a child's overall brain development</u>, nurturing inquisitive children eager to learn more."
- 31. "The program's clarity makes it easy to understand and explain to learners, offering a meaningful and interesting learning experience."
- 32. "Implementing the program has been impressively useful, <u>significantly impacting my learners</u> in a positive manner."
- 33. "I've learned <u>diverse methods to engage children</u> in various concepts and assess them at varying levels. Thank you for this educational experience."
- 34. "The Basic Concepts Programme is <u>crucial in Grade R</u>, enhancing cognitive skills and problem-solving abilities, providing an enjoyable learning experience for learners."
- 35. "BCP is an exceptional program that fosters the mental development in children, allowing them to <u>learn through their experiences</u> and relate topics to their knowledge."
- 36. "An essential program for children's overall brain development, fostering enthusiastic and spontaneous learners eager to explore."
- 37. "The program proved incredibly useful, aiding in laying the foundation for learners and providing a clear and understandable learning experience."
- 38. "BCP's implementation has been tremendously beneficial, yielding <u>visible outcomes for my</u> learners."
- 39. "It's been enlightening to learn various methods to teach children different concepts and assess them at varying levels. Thank you for this educational experience."
- 40. "The Basic Concepts Programme is vital in Grade R, fostering cognitive and intellectual skills while presenting a wonderful <u>opportunity for learners to engage in problem-solving."</u>

Analysis of Teacher Comments

Program Impact	- Positive impact on teaching foundational skills and aiding learners' understanding of new concepts. (9 out of 40 respondents)
	- Improvement in learners' confidence, communication skills, and cognition. (12 out of 40 respondents)
Engagement & Enjoyment	 Noted the program's engaging nature through hands-on activities. (8 out of 40 respondents)
	- Mentioned how the program made learning enjoyable for learners. (7 out of 40 respondents)
Educator Appreciation	- Gratitude expressed towards facilitators and workshops for valuable learning experiences. (11 out of 40 respondents)
	- Appreciation for newfound teaching skills. (5 out of 40 respondents)

Alignment with Curriculum	- Recognition of the program's alignment with the prescribed curriculum (CAPS). (8 out of 40 respondents)
	- Supportive role in foundational learning and teaching methods. (9 out of 40 respondents)
Impact on Learners	- Observations of notable progress in learners across different terms. (10 out of 40 respondents)
	- Improvement in articulation, problem-solving, and cognitive skills. (11 out of 40 respondents)