PERFECT PEOPLE AS A PURPOSE OF HOLISTIC EDUCATION IN ISLAM

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Let us Read and Try to Identify the purpose of this text

- The term holistic education has become a movement which began in the mid-1980 in North America as it is an idea of developing a person's intellectual, emotional, social, physical, artistic, creative and spiritual potentials (Ron Miller). However, if we can trace back that this term of holistic education was originated from Islam. As quoted from Al-Qur'an Al-Ahzab verse 21: "Verily there is in (the self) the Messenger of Allah as a good example for you (that is) for those who wish (mercy) Allah and the (coming) of judgment day and he mentions God a lot.
- Furthermore, as it also is recited from the Holy Qur'an in At Tin verse 4 says that human beings are created by Allah as the best creature. This is a fact that humans are better than all God's creations: animals, plans, and others.

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- Humans have got perfect physic as well as mental. Nonetheless, we must be reminded that all God's gifts to humans can also be disastrous if we misuse God's gift. As a result, humans can become lower than animals.
- However, for those who have good faith in Allah and His Messenger, Nabi Muhammad Saw, will try their effort in order to maintain good and noble deeds. Islam has taught us to value or see things based on Al Qur'an and Hadits, or noble deed as exemplified by the Prophet Muhammad Saw.

Now Let us with the Comprehension Questions

- 1. When was the term holistic education introduced in the world?
- 2. Who introduced the idea of holistic education from the western point of view?
- 3. What is actually meant by holistic education?
- 4. What is the idea of bringing holistic education?
- 5. If we can trace back the concept of holistic education, who or what did actually create it?
- 6. What is the fundamental idea of holistic education in Islam?
- 7. In what surah, according to the passage, that explains the idea of perfect mankind?

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■ Task 1

Find a topic for your paragraph about expressing an opinion and explore it with specific details. You may do this in a piece of paper using the freewriting technique.

■ Task 2

Develop the topic that you have prepared with the supporting parts into a paragraph about explanation. Use this box to write your final paragraph.

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