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Dr. Honey Chitkara - Dr. Honey Chitkara is a fervent uplifter and an impassioned educa-





tionist who holds a spectacular 19+ years' experience in the field of education. She's the woman behind numerous innovative practices that the educational landscape at Chitkara International School, India, has witnessed and as the school's Associate Director & Principal, she continues to admirably edify the youth and is known for her incredible research work on using students' feedback for improving teaching effectiveness. Dr. Chitkara is widely known for her out-of-the-box thinking and spiffing ways of leadership, which all emanate from the rich academic credentials that she holds, including a Bachelor of Arts (Humanities), Diploma in Textile Designing, Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.), Master of Arts in Education, and Doctor of Education (PhD). Her experiments with writing began early on in her life and over the years, she has come to appreciate the merits of writing, especially in terms of inspiring the youth and aspiring teachers. In this regard, Dr. Chitkara's thesis on "Using Students' Feedback to Improve Teaching Effectiveness based on Kaizen Philosophy of Continuous Improvement" has been widely acknowledged for its undeniable efficacy, and through her active contribution to the chapters, Brainwork, Multi-Perspective Teaching (MPT) and The Teaching Interplay for Honing Analytical, Critical and Creative Thinking Skills in this handbook, Dr. Chitkara endeavours to further the necessary change that educationists world over must bring to their classrooms in order to render the most effective education to learners that are growing in an ever-so-competitive Industry 4.0.

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He trained at the Central School of Speech and Drama in London and for many years lived and worked in England, mainly in the field of opera, at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. He has directed more than twenty productions of William Shakespeare's texts, in England and Italy, and several contemporary English authors, often translated by him for the first time. He also wrote some original works for the theatre. He is currently drama teacher at the Liceo Candiani in Busto Arsizio, Italy.

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a methodical writer (of the book Assessment Quotient) whose contributions to the field of education are admired and lauded by her counterparts across her country. As the visionary Director of Chitkara International School (Chandigarh & Panchkula), India, she holds a supremely rich experience of over 20 years in the educational field and remains associated with some of the most renowned educational initiatives and practices undertaken within the educational sector. Dr. Chitkara's love for education and immense knowledge, in fact, spring from her extraordinary academic experiences and credentials, which include Master of Education (M.Ed.), Master of Commerce and Business Administration and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD). Her awe-inspiring research work in school-based assessments has effectively helped her institution come up with some of the most celebrated assessment tools like Open Book Revisions (OBRs) and Brainwork. Over the years, Dr. Chitkara has worked dedicatedly to create a sense of integrity, dignity and confidence among young learners so that they are ready to face life's challenges, which remain unique and totally distinct in Industry 4.0. Furthermore, Dr. Chitkara is an external expert for the Board of Studies of Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.), Master of Education (M.Ed.), B.A./B.Sc. Psychology and M.A./M.Sc. Psychology at Chitkara College of Education and Chitkara College of Counselling. She has been chosen among "33 Young Rising Stars of Indian Education" by Education World and been awarded by numerous notable government and private bodies, all of which remain testaments to her commitment and passion towards school education and illustrate how by her judicious dispensation of knowledge, she has gained momentous success in all her endeavours.

Presently, through her significant insights and contributions to the chapters on Brainwork, Multi-Perspective Teaching (MPT), Integrated and Interactive Lesson Plan, and The Teaching Interplay for Honing Analytical, Critical and Creative Thinking Skills, Dr. Chitkara intends to stimulate a tech-savvy, innovation-loving, and research-centred educational landscape, where all kinds of learners are able to leverage the merits of education and gain core employability skills to thrive in Industry 4.0.

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tor who found her passion for creating strong, stimulating pieces of writing while teaching the students at middle and secondary level of learning at Chitkara International School, India. Ms. Sharma enjoys reading inspiring texts, when not writing, and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Commerce, a Post Graduate Diploma in Business Administration (Finance) & a Master's Degree in Political Science. Her academic experiments in her English classrooms over the years have helped her conclude the existent needs of learners, which she considers to be outright distinct & diverse. Through the chapters, Brainwork & Multi-Perspective Teaching (MPT), Ms. Sharma aims to spur on the vision of her organisation, which promises the success of all school students, amid the otherwise competitive & dynamic world.

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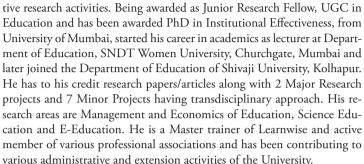


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