INCREASED ACTIVITY AND LEARNING OUTCOMES THROUGH BIOLOGY WITH GUIDED DISCOVERY LEARNING MODEL

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Research Highlights
The purpose of this study is to improve the activities and student learning outcomes on biology subjects through the application of guided discovery learning models. This research is a type of Classroom Action Research. Classroom Action Research is carried out in 2 cycles. The results showed that the application of guided discovery learning models can improve the activity and learning outcomes of students of class XI IPA 1 SMAN 1 Asera. Learning outcomes in the cognitive realm increased by 22.77% after the action of the first cycle and amounted to 11.50% after the second cycle of action and psychomotor domain learning outcomes experienced an increase of 15.50% from the first cycle of action to the second cycle. The application of a guided learning model can improve student learning activities. Student learning activities increased by 40.25% after action I and by 9.88% after cycle II.

Keyword: Activities and Learning Outcomes, Guided Discovery Model

Research Objectives
Biology subjects in high school are developed through the ability to think analytically, inductively, and deductively to solve problems related to natural problems. Qualitative and quantitative problem solving is done by using understanding in the fields of mathematics, physics, chemistry and other supporting knowledge. Achievement of learning goals must be approved to the maximum to support the success of learning in the classroom or in the outside class. The success of the learning process in class participation by various factors. One of them is a learning model that matches the learning objectives to be achieved. The teacher is a subject who is very interested in teaching and educating students, while students are subject to education. The main problem in biology learning is how to connect facts that have been seen and experienced by students in everyday life with biological concepts, so as to produce knowledge that understands in the minds of students. During this time, understand students more about elaborating the concept of biology, without understanding what and how the meaning contained in the concept. so that the use of guided discovery learning models becomes a solution to increase the activity and learning outcomes of Biology.

Methodology
This research includes Class Action Research conducted in order to improve student activity and learning outcomes of students of class XI IPA 1 Asera 1 High School (Stringer, 2014). The research used was descriptive-qualitative, carried out in two cycles, each cycle consisting of four stages, namely action planning, action implementation, action observation, and reflection. Classroom Action Research was conducted in 8 meetings, namely 4 meetings in the first cycle and 4 meetings in the second cycle. At each meeting carried out using a guided discovery learning model. The subjects of this study were students of class XI IPA 1 of SMAN Asera which consisted of 32 students, with respiration system material and excretion system. The steps in the study consist of pre-research and planning, action, observation, reflection. After reflection will be continued by planning again which is the basis for solving further problems. Research data is collected through student test results at the end of each cycle for cognitive learning outcomes and collection of rubrics during learning for student learning activities, student learning outcomes in the psychomotor domain (Slavin, 2011).
Results
The use of guided discovery learning models can improve student learning activities. Learning outcomes in the cognitive domain increased by 22.77% after the first cycle of action and amounted to 11.50% after the second cycle. And psychomotor domain learning outcomes have increased by 15.50% from cycle I to cycle II. The application of a guided learning model can improve student learning activities. Student learning activities increased by 40.25% after action I and by 9.88% after cycle II. Increased student learning activities occur after applied guided discovery learning. guided inquiry learning process in student learning activities, namely introductory phase, open phase, convergent phase and closing phase and application. The advantages of a guided discovery model when students are very active learning to find something new and the teacher always provides guidance to students who increase difficulties. Eggen and Kauchak (2012) states that the ability to promote student motivation is one of the major strengths of guided discovery. Alex and Olubusuyi (2013) States that the study has shown the potency of guided discovery learning strategy in improving student’s performance. Equally, findings from the present study have also shown that gender has no role to play in the performance of the students.

Findings
The use of guided discovery learning models encourages students to be able to conduct investigations and appreciate the role of critical experiences in the learning process, encourage the development of natural curiosity in students and provide opportunities for students to build new knowledge and understanding based on real experience, so that the learning process can increase the activity and learning outcomes of students in class XI IPA 1 Asera 1 High School.

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