Development of Student Activity Sheets Based on Local Wisdom to Improve Critical Thinking Skills of Science 4th Grade Elementary School

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Abstract: This study aims to produce and describe the validity, practicality, and effectiveness of Student Activity Sheets based on the local wisdom of Surabaya-specific Batik that can improve critical thinking skills in science subjects 6th grade Elementary School. This research is a development research that refers to the Four D (4D) development model. Student Activity Sheet based Surabaya batik local wisdom validated by experts, then tested on 20 fourth grade students of Mulyorejo I / 237 Elementary school Surabaya. The results showed that the Student Activity Sheet that was developed was very valid with a percentage of 92.25%, the Student Activity Sheet that was developed practically based on student activities relevant to learning with a percentage of 92.71%, and the Student Activity Sheet that was developed effectively based on the results Student’s critical thinking test which showed that all students completed with an N-gain of 0.751 in the high category. It can be concluded that the Student Activity Sheet based Surabaya batik local wisdom deserves to improve the critical thinking skills of elementary students.

Keywords: Student Activity Sheet, Local Wisdom, Critical Thinking.

I. INTRODUCTION

Saeed S.J and Rousta. S.N (2013) which explains that thinking skills are increasingly emphasized in education because of globalization which requires workers to be more productive. Critical thinking becomes a skill needed by students to be able to deal with various changing situations in the era of globalization that continues to develop.

According to Norris (1989) students need critical thinking skills so that students are accustomed to solving the problems they face. Teaching critical thinking is important for an individual who is learning. If students’ critical thinking skills do not develop, they will inhibit their ability to solve the problems they face.

One way to practice critical thinking skills is through science education. Carin and Sund (1989) say that science or science is science that is systematic, generally applies and is a collection of data and observations and experiments. Based on this, science is very suitable to be used as a means to foster and strengthen attitudes, knowledge, and skills periodically for students at every level.

Information conveyed to students through learning in order to be meaningful and enduring in students needs to be linked to the real world. According to Susanto (2013), children’s mental development starts from the concrete thinking stage because the child’s world is the real world.

Children always see objects that are nearby as something whole. Therefore, learning should be done from the immediate environment of students, namely oneself and then developing in the family environment, and the wider environment, namely school. Gasong (2018) argues that contextual learning is learning that connects learning with real situations around students. Students will connect the concepts they already have and apply them to the problems they face everyday.

The observations of researchers in the field indicate that students’ critical thinking skills are still low. This is indicated by the answers of students when working on the student activity sheet contained in the student book. Students have not been able to observe and write down observations correctly. Students tend to be confused in processing data and conclude the observations they do.

The low critical thinking skills of these students are not without cause. Based on the results of observations and interviews of researchers with the 4th grade teacher, information was obtained that students rarely did learning using student activity sheets. Students are not accustomed to learning which involves students’ activeness in finding out and building their knowledge. Teachers also very rarely use student activity sheets contained in student books with the reason to take up a lot of time and students are not conducive if doing group activities.

Data obtained by researchers in the field shows that from the planning used teachers still use standard planning obtained from the internet or from student books. Though it is known that the plan is very general in nature and not necessarily in accordance with the conditions and needs of students. The indicators contained in the planning have not yet reached the higher order thinking skills, and are only short term. In the learning step is still dominated by the teacher, so students do not participate actively in learning. This is supported by interviews with 4th grade teachers about
Each region has its own local wisdom, as well as Surabaya. One of the local wisdoms in Surabaya is Surabaya Batik. Based on research conducted by Eni Kurniawati (2015), Surabaya batik has a distinctive style that is different from other regions.

Based on the description above, the researcher is motivated to develop a valid, practical and effective local Wisdom-based Student Activity Sheet on the science content with the title "Development of Student Activity Sheets Based on Local Wisdom to Improve Critical Thinking Skills of Science 4th Grade Elementary School ". Student Activity Sheet Product is expected to be an alternative for educators as teaching material and can facilitate students to build their own understanding, and improve critical thinking skills.

II. METHOD

The research conducted is a research development. In this study, researchers sought to develop student sheets based on local wisdom to improve critical thinking skills. The development model used to develop in this study is the 4D (Four D) development model. The reason for using this model is because this model has clearer steps at each stage of its development. The subjects of this study were 4th grade elementary school students. The research location taken was Mulyorejo I elementary school. The choice of location was taken because of several reasons, namely: 1) the location of the school close to the mangrove tourism area in accordance with the material to be taught, 2) the number of parallel classes in the school is more than 2 classes, 3) the school is very open in accepting innovations in education , 4) the willingness of the school to help the research process.

A. Research Procedure

- Defining Phase
  At this stage the researcher determines and defines the needs of learning. Namely needs analysis, student analysis, and task analysis.

- Design Stage
  At this stage the researcher designs a student excitement sheet. This design phase includes the design of student activity sheets based on local wisdom, the design of the use of student activity sheets and expert validation.

- Development Stage
  The development phase is based on a draft that has been prepared. The steps are validation with experts and conducting limited trials.

- Dissemination Stage
  After conducting a limited trial and revision of the instrument, the next stage is the deployment stage. At this stage the researcher disseminates Student Activity Sheets to the teacher. Researchers conducted a second trial in the replication class. The Student Activity Sheet which was revised after the first trial was used as draft three. Draft 3 that has been revised is applied for the second trial, then
used as material to prepare the thesis report which is then
tested in front of the board of examiners.

B. Data collection technique

- **Test**
  Students are given a pretest to find out how far the
students' abilities are before using the Student Activity
Sheet. After conducting learning activities using the
Student Activity Sheet, students conduct a post-test to find
out the improvement in students' critical thinking skills.

- **Non test**
  The author made observations to assess the feasibility
of student activity sheets and learning effectiveness with student
activity sheets developed.

C. Research Instrument

- **Eligibility Student activity sheets**
  The instrument for evaluating the validity of Student
Activity Sheets is to use a validation sheet to assess the
feasibility of Student Activity Sheets, namely the
questionnaire as a validation sheet to the expert to
determine the assessment of Student Activity Sheets and
the questionnaire on a trial to find out how students respond
to the weaknesses of Student Activity Sheets.

- **Practicality Student activity sheet**
  To find out the practicality of the Student Worksheet,
the researcher used the Observation Observation Sheet,
Student Activity Observation Sheet, and Obstacle
Observation Sheet During Learning

- **Effectiveness of Student Activity Sheets**
  This critical thinking skill is measured
by administering tests in the form of subjective questions
related to the material that has been taught. Assessment is
done through pretest and posttest before and after learning
to find out how far the ability of students after learning is
carried out.

D. Data Analysis Technique

All data that has been obtained is then analyzed
quantitatively and qualitatively. Qualitative data are expert
judgments through validation, student responses, and
observation sheets. Qualitative data intended here is the
result of evaluating critical thinking to assess the
effectiveness and feasibility of Student Activity Sheets
based on local wisdom.

- **Feasibility Student Activity Sheet**
  The Student Activity Sheet that is developed is
reviewed and rated as validator. The final results of the
assessment of two validators were averaged. Based on the
data obtained, the appropriateness of the device is assessed
based on the criteria below:

| Interval | Category | Information          |
|----------|----------|----------------------|
| 1,0 ≤ SV≤ 1,5 | Invalid | Can not be used, requires consultation |
| 1,6 < SV < 2,5 | Invalid | Can be used with many revisions |
| 2,6 < SV < 3,5 | Valid | Can be used with a slight revision |
| 3,6 < SV < 4,0 | Very Valid | Can be used, without revision |

Table 1: Criteria for Categorizing the Results of Validation Learning tools (Ratuman and Laurens, 2006)

Student questionnaire is used to determine student
responses to the Student Activity Sheet that was done. The
response obtained is processed using the formula:

$$P = \frac{f}{N} \times 100\%$$

$P= Presentate$
$F= Number of Voters$
$N= Total number of students$

| Percentage | Category | Qualification | Explanation |
|------------|----------|---------------|-------------|
| 85%-100%   | A        | Very high     | No Need for Revision |
| 75%-84%    | B        | high          | No Need for Revision |
| 65%-74%    | C        | Enough        | Revision     |
| 55%-64%    | D        | Less          | Revision     |
| 0%-54%     | E        | Very less     | Revision     |

Table 2: Criteria for Categorizing Student Questionnaire Assessment Results (Sugiyono, 2012)

- **Practicality of Student Activity Sheets**
  The instrument of implementation of learning in the
classroom that has been done by researchers is used to
analyze the management of learning that has been done by
finding an average score.

$$P = \frac{average\ score}{maximum\ score} \times 100\%$$

| Criteria      | Explanation                      |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| 85,01%-100%   | Very effective, can be used without repair |
| 70,01%-85,00% | Quite effective, can be used with a little improvement |
| 50,01%-70,00% | Less effective, needs major improvement |
| 1,00%-50,00%  | Not effective, can not be used |

Table 3: Criteria for Learning Implementation (Akbar, 2013)
Student observation sheets can be through observations made by an observer, through the sheet will be obtained data about student activities during learning.

\[ P = \frac{\text{many student activities}}{\text{Total number of activities}} \times 100\% \]

| Num | Activity Score (%) | Category    |
|-----|--------------------|-------------|
| 1   | 76-100             | High        |
| 2   | 56-75              | Enough      |
| 3   | 40-55              | Less        |
| 4   | <40                | Low         |

Table 4: Criteria for categorizing student activities (Arikunto, 2008)

Obstacles encountered during teaching and learning activities using student activity sheets based on local wisdom that were developed were analyzed through discussion with observers and sought alternative solutions.

Effectiveness of Student Activity Sheets

This design uses a pretest before treatment to determine the initial state (cognitive) in the sample. After the treatment in the form of the use of student activity sheets based on local wisdom is carried out post-test as a measurement of critical thinking skills in each class to determine the effect of learning through student activity sheets based on local wisdom.

Increased critical thinking skills were analyzed using gain scores between pretest and posttest scores using formulas (Hake, 1999):

\[ g = \frac{S_{\text{post}} - S_{\text{pre}}}{skor_{\text{max}} - S_{\text{pre}}} \]

Information:

\( g \) (gain) = increased level of mastery of concepts  
\( S_{\text{post}} \) = final test score  
\( S_{\text{pre}} \) = initial test score

High and low normalized gain (n-gain) can be classified in Table 2 as follows.

| Interval          | Category  |
|-------------------|-----------|
| \( 0,7 \leq g \)  | High      |
| \( 0,3 \leq g < 0,7 \) | Medium |
| \( g < 0,3 \)     | Low       |

Table 5: Categorization Criteria for N-Gain (Meltzer, 2002)

The division of N-gain acquisition categories in the form of percent (%) can be presented in Table 3 as follows.

| Percentage (%) | Interpretation         |
|----------------|------------------------|
| < 40           | Ineffective            |
| 40 – 55        | Less Effective         |
| 56 – 75        | Effective Enough       |
| >76            | Effective              |

Table 6: Categories of N-Gain Effectiveness Interpretation (Hake, R.R, 1999)

III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

This research went through four stages, namely planning, design, development, and dissemination. At the design stage the researcher makes the instrument to be validated by several experts. The results of the validation are a reference for researchers to develop instruments. After the instrument is developed, it is then distributed to be tested on students. This research was conducted at Mulyorejo I / 237 elementary school in Surabaya. The subjects of this study were 20 fourth grade students with details of 10 male students and 10 female students.

A. Feasibility Student Activity Sheet

This Student Activity Sheet is validated by two experts. This Student Activity Sheet is assessed in terms of material and media. Here are the results:

| Num | Aspect                                           | Validator | \( x \) | \( \Sigma x \) |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------|-------------|
| 1   | Interesting material                             | 1         | 4      | 4           |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 4      | 4           |
| 2   | The material is in core competencies and basic competencies | 1         | 4      | 4           |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 4      | 4           |
| 3   | Relationship with the concept of everyday life   | 1         | 3      | 3           |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 3      | 3           |
| 4   | Interesting and challenging observation activities | 1         | 3      | 3           |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 3      | 3           |
| 5   | Sentence is clear                                | 1         | 3      | 3           |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 3      | 3           |
| 6   | Simple sentence                                  | 1         | 3      | 3           |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 3      | 3           |
| 7   | Language is easy to understand                   | 1         | 4      | 3,5         |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 4      | 4           |
| 8   | Color selection is appropriate and attractive     | 1         | 4      | 4           |
|     |                                                  | 2         | 4      | 4           |
Table 7: Validation of Student Material Expert Activity Sheets

| Num | Aspect                          | Validator | \( \bar{x} \) | \( \Sigma \bar{x} \) |
|-----|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
| 10  | Motivate students to learn      | 4         | 4            | 4               |
|     | Percentage                      |           | 3.55 \times 100\% = 88.75\% |                 |

The table above shows the average score of validation of Student Activity Sheets from material experts is 3.55 with a valid category.

Table 8: Validation of Media Student Activity Sheets

| Num | Rated aspect                                      | Validator | \( \bar{x} \) | \( \bar{x} \) total |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------|
| 1   | Font size and type accordingly                    | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 2   | The writing is clear and easy to read             | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 3   | Harmony of text with images                       | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 4   | Effective picture                                | 3         | 3            | 3                 |
| 5   | Interesting picture                              | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 6   | The picture for the experiment is clear           | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 7   | The combination of writing and images can convey a | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
|     | message                                          |           |              |                   |
| 8   | The combination of images with balanced writing   | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 9   | Manufacturing materials are easy to obtain        | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 10  | Appropriate for Primary Schools                  | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 11  | Size according to standard                        | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 12  | Interesting cover                                | 3         | 4            | 3.5               |
| 13  | Appearance of attractive contents                 | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 14  | Print quality                                    | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 15  | Can be carried easily                            | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 16  | Interesting for students                         | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 17  | grow motivation                                  | 3         | 3            | 3                 |
| 18  | The right color choice                           | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
| 19  | Shapes and lines are attractive, simple, and      | 3         | 3            | 3                 |
|     | helpful in understanding concepts                 |           |              |                   |
| 20  | Balanced system                                  | 4         | 4            | 4                 |
|     | Percentage                                       |           |              | \frac{3.83}{4} \times 100\% = 95.75\% |

The table above shows the average score of validation of Student Activity Sheets from material experts is 3.55 with a very good criteria. It shows that the Student Activity Sheet developed is very feasible.

B. Practicality of Student Activity Sheets

Practicality Student activity sheets can be seen from student activities during three meetings. Here are the data:
Table 9: Student Activity

The table above shows the practicality of the Student Activity Sheet achieving a score of 3.71 in the excellent category. It shows that the Student Activity Sheet is very practical to use.

C. Effectiveness of Student Activity Sheets

The effectiveness of Student Activity Sheets can be seen from the Student Response Questionnaire and the results of the pre-test. Here are the data:

| Num | Aspect                          | Assessment | 1 | 2 | 3 | x̅ |
|-----|--------------------------------|------------|---|---|---|----|
| 1   | Listen to the explanation      |            | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4  |
| 2   | Reading teaching material      |            | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4  |
| 3   | Doing task                     |            | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3.67|
| 4   | Make observations              |            | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4  |
| 5   | Collaborate between groups     |            | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4  |
| 6   | Communicating the results of group work | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3.33|
| 7   | Ask questions, express opinions|            | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3  |
| 8   | Behavior is appropriate or relevant | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3.67|
|     | Total score                    |            | 28| 30| 31| 29.67|
|     | Percentage                     |            | 87.5%| 93.75%| 96.87%|
|     | Average score                  |            | $\frac{29.67}{8}$ = 3.71 | |
|     | Reliability                    |            | $\frac{29.67}{32} \times 100\% = 92.71\%$ |
|     | Category                       |            | Very good |

The table above shows N-Gain 0.751. N-gain above 0.70 indicates high N-gain. This shows that there is an increase in critical thinking skills.

Increasing student pretest and posttest scores can be seen from the following graph!

Chart 1: Student pretest and posttest results

The graph above shows an increase in the pretest and posttest of critical thinking skills.

The following are the results of student responses using Student Activity Sheet based Surabaya batik local wisdom:

Table 10: Pretest and posttest results
IV. CONCLUSION

Based on data analysis and discussion, it can be concluded that the Student Activity Sheet based local wisdom that has been developed is declared feasible, practical, and effective in use. Feasibility of Student Activity Sheet based Surabaya batik local wisdom was declared feasible with a validation percentage of 96.4% and student activities of 92.71%. The effectiveness in improving student learning outcomes is shown by N-Gain 0.751 which shows high N-Gain. The score shows an increase in critical thinking skills using the Student Activity Sheet based Surabaya Batik local wisdom in the high category.

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