

Chapter 2 Education

Topic 5 The role of education in society

Page 70

Activity: Discussion

Does introducing the market into education benefit everyone?

Learning objectives

At the end of this activity you should be able to:

- Identify perspectives which are in favour of the marketisation of education.
- Evaluate these perspectives.

A. Using pages 69-70 of your textbook, research the following questions.

1. Which perspectives are in favour of the introduction of the market?
2. What reasons are given for the introduction of the market into education?
3. In a marketised system, what role should the state play in education?
4. Which perspectives would argue against the marketisation of education?
5. What are the criticisms of a market system in education?

B. Use your research to take part in a class discussion: 'Introducing the market into education is beneficial to all'.