

THE USE OF ARCHIVES IN EDUCATION: EXAMPLES FROM ABROAD

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ABSTRACT

Archives are institutions in which materials which have to be stored over a long period of time are maintained and brought into use. The archival material has administrative, financial, judicial, and more over, historical value. Thus, this material has the ability to shed light on the past and the future. Therefore, archives should be used as part of primary, high school and university education programmes. In particular, national archives abroad use different practices and techniques in order to extend the use of archives to educational programmes. Moreover, these national archives design practices and techniques according to the ages and area of interests of the students.

In this study, entitled “The Use of Archives in Education: Examples from Abroad”, the practices of national archives that have understood the importance of archives in education and have organized special programmes for teachers and students will be explained. These national archives include those in the USA, England, Scotland and Australia. Also in this study, in addition to the contributions of the four national archives to education, the ways in which we can improve the role of archives in Turkey for education will be discussed.

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