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Abstract

In the seafaring profession, creativity is one trait that eases work and helps seafarers apply what the strategies for accomplishing assigned tasks are. The application of this attitude helped fight boredom and finish work properly and efficiently. This study thus determined the creativity among seafarers and its relationship to their work performance onboard. Specifically, the study sought answers to the following questions: 1) What is the meaning of creativity? 2) Do you make use of creativity in your work? 3) What is the meaning of work for you? And 4) Is creativity needed in your work? To realize the objectives of this study, randomly chosen seafarers were chosen for the interview. Results showed that Most of the seafarers consider creativity as a way of "creating new things" followed by "resourcefulness or the capacity to do/make new

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things despite the limited resources," "imagination put into action," "originality, making things in your own way." And that creativity is both "deep thinking and pondering," as well as the "ability in drawing, working, sketching." Seafarers make use of creativity in their work because this "makes their work easier, faster, and safer," followed by the "creativity is the best rendering of their work," "creativity is making use of the ordinary like tools and equipment" and "learning by doing." Work as viewed by the seafarers was "daily routine of life," followed by "something that must be done with the heart so that money will be easy" "it is a thing a person must do to support oneself and one's family" and "work is force times distance, or having to do." Whether there is a need for creativity at work, 100 percent of the seafarers had a positive response.

Research Design

Research Respondents

Research Instrument

Research Procedure

Data Analysis Procedure