



THE IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING ENGLISH IN MODERN EDUCATION

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Abstract

In the context of globalization and rapid technological advancement, the importance of teaching English in modern education has significantly increased. English has become a key tool for international communication, academic mobility, and professional development. This study aims to explore the role of modern educational technologies in enhancing the effectiveness of English language teaching. The research focuses on the integration of digital tools such as online learning platforms, mobile applications, and interactive multimedia in the language learning process. A qualitative approach is employed to analyze theoretical perspectives and practical applications presented by leading scholars in the field of language teaching methodology. The findings reveal that modern technologies contribute to increased student motivation, engagement, and the development of communicative competence. They also support autonomous learning and provide access to authentic language materials. However, the study identifies certain challenges, including limited digital literacy among learners and insufficient teacher training. The results suggest that the most effective approach to teaching English is a balanced combination of traditional methods and modern technologies. The study highlights the need for careful selection of digital tools and continuous professional development of teachers to ensure successful implementation.



Keywords; English teaching, modern education, digital technologies, language learning, communicative competence.

Nowadays, the interest in learning foreign languages is increasing day by day among people of all ages. This, of course, opens up new opportunities not only for young people but also for older individuals, leading to academic, professional, and economic success. In other words, by mastering foreign languages, young people are gaining opportunities to study at foreign universities for bachelor's and even master's degrees. For older individuals, knowledge of foreign languages enables them to work in international companies, gain experience, and strengthen their knowledge and skills. Moreover, one of the important aspects of teaching English today is its significant role in improving the education system in our country. However, despite its importance, many people still face various difficulties in the process of learning a language in modern education. For example, learners often struggle with memorizing vocabulary, using grammar correctly, and overcoming similar challenges. The aim of this study is to examine the effectiveness of modern educational tools in teaching English in contemporary education systems. It seeks to analyze how digital technologies, such as online learning platforms, mobile applications, and interactive media, contribute to the development of students' language skills. Additionally, the study aims to identify the advantages and possible challenges of integrating these tools into English language teaching. Ultimately, the research intends to highlight practical strategies for educators to use modern technologies more effectively in order to enhance students' engagement, motivation, and overall language proficiency. In addition, H. Douglas Brown states that effective language learning requires meaningful interaction and active participation[1:55]. Similarly, Jeremy Harmer emphasizes that modern technologies provide authentic materials and increase learner motivation[2:84].



This study is based on qualitative analysis of modern approaches in English language teaching. According to David Nunan, technology-supported learning environments allow students to use language in real-life contexts[3:12].

The research focuses on the use of: Online learning platforms; Mobile applications; Interactive multimedia tools. The study also reviews theoretical works of leading scholars in language teaching methodology.

The analysis shows that modern educational tools have a significant impact on language learning. First of all, digital technologies improve students' motivation. Jeremy Harmer notes that interactive materials make lessons more engaging and student-centered[4:98]. Furthermore, online platforms and mobile applications provide learners with opportunities for independent learning. According to Jack C. Richards, exposure to authentic materials enhances communicative competence[5:158]. Moreover, technology helps develop all four language skills. H. Douglas Brown emphasizes that integrated skill development leads to better language proficiency[6:91]. However, the study also identifies several challenges. Learners may face difficulties in using digital tools effectively, and teachers may lack sufficient training. Penny Ur highlights that improper use of technology can reduce its effectiveness[7:232].

The findings indicate that modern technologies play a crucial role in English language teaching. They support interactive learning, increase motivation, and provide access to authentic materials. However, technology alone is not enough. According to David Nunan, successful language learning depends on how effectively teaching methods are applied. The most effective approach is combining traditional teaching methods with modern technologies. Teachers should carefully select tools that match students' needs and learning objectives. Furthermore, teacher training is essential for successful implementation. As Jeremy Harmer suggests, teachers must be able to integrate technology meaningfully into their lessons.



Teaching English in modern education is essential for academic and professional success. Modern technologies provide new opportunities for improving language learning. Despite certain challenges, their effective use increases students' motivation, engagement, and language proficiency. A balanced combination of traditional methods and digital tools is the most effective strategy for teaching English in contemporary education.

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