

MODERN TECHNOLOGIES AND METHODS OF TEACHING FOREIGN LANGUAGES IN HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.

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Abstract: This article is devoted to the modern technologies and methods of teaching foreign languages. The given materials about advantages and the results of described technologies in the process of learning language in Higher Educational Institutes. These methods are currently the most advanced and can be used by students in the learning process with good results.

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Introduction: Blended learning, virtual classrooms, and learning management systems are all examples technologies that teachers are now adapting to language learning. Foreign language teachers' job is to teach learners a whole new language, including the nuanced rules of grammar and cultural norms. Nowadays, foreign language learning has the opportunities to infuse technology into its learning strategies. A number of technologies are used in learning process for the convenience of students and efforts are being made to teach foreign languages using modern technologies. The most important characteristics of teaching technologies are the following: 1) **Cost** (by learning language in online platforms you can save money easily); 2) **Efficiency** (a high level of achievement of the set educational goal by each student). Now let's look at technology helps us and exactly what we use.

Main part: 1. Making learning visible Using technology to connect to foreign lands and display how natives of that country live allows students to see and experience the language they are learning in an interactive and real life manner.

2. Differentiating Technology tools give teachers additional resources to reach learners with different strengths and needs.

3. Engaging learners It is definitely a way to engage learners because of its interactive nature

4. Applying language It gives learners numerous opportunities to use the language with others to be able to apply using the language.

What exactly are the benefits of using technology in foreign language teaching?

1. Remote Access to Language Education

Technology gives the ability to reach audiences all over the world. It allows teachers

to be hired locally and learners can access courses that are taught by native language speakers to ensure immersion. Technology has also opened the doors for endless and limitless resources to be accessible regardless of the learner's location, language fluency or economic status.

2. Blended Language Learning Courses

Blended learning means combining online and face-to-face learning. In this set up, the learner completes online courses and the teacher supplements these with classroom teaching that is more focused on actual needs of learners rather than just focusing on the rules that can already be discussed in the online course.

3. Interactive and Collaborative Learning

According to Dexway, the best way to learn something is through an interactive learning environment created by technological tools and resources. The same is true for language learning, the application of the language has to be present and it for the learning experience to be better, make it more interactive and engaging. Tools that promote collaboration are also a great way to learn the language and develop collaborative skills as well.

4. Real World Problem Solving Made Possible

Language learning apps are regularly updated and even feature current events and news as a way to teach the new language. This allows learners to learn in the real world with true-to-life scenarios amidst a virtual learning environment.

5. The best complementary tool for teachers in the classroom

Traditional education is not so effective anymore. Teachers need to motivate their learners more than ever when presenting something in the learning environment. Technology helps the teacher complement traditional methods and enhance the learning experience.

6. Ease in managing and monitoring learner progress

Managing courses, keeping track of learners progress and other administrative tasks is now easier with the birth of online educational platforms that provide numerous functionalities tailored to educational centers' needs.

Below are 4 Useful Tech-based Tools that can be used for Foreign Language teaching.

1. Music and videos

Audio listening exercises can be good for testing what learners can identify on their own. The combination of pictures, intonations and gestures provides learners context clues that can help them understand the language even better.

2. Educational Websites

Educational websites like Quizlet and FluentU can help enhance the learning experience by providing meaningful and fun activities that are focused on grammar and current events respectively.

3. Collaborative Tools

Tools such as Facebook, Classting, Google classrooms can help learners use the language they are learning and engage in collaborative activities as well.

4. Smartphone and Tablets Apps

So many apps on smartphones and tablets such as Duolingo, FluentU and Memrise give learners an interactive and fun way to learn a language by using their phones and tablets. Technology has permeated every aspect of our lives, not immune to that is the way we learn new concepts. It has completely enhanced the language learning experience for both teachers and learners.

Conclusion: Thus, modern technologies for teaching foreign languages allow us to conclude that at present there are two main ways to intensify the learning process: one - through the maximum use of technical means, the other - through the activation of the reserves of the personality of each student. It can be argued that the development of intensive methods, which provide for the organic inclusion of technical means in the training system, will be the most a promising direction for improving the methodology for the coming years in the direction of intensifying the educational process.

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