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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Technology has been present all around the world, since our job, community, family even at home, anyway everything related to daily life. However, in teaching section, we can see that nowadays many institutes have the necessary resources to integrate technology in the teaching environment especially in English area. Many institutes have started to explore the huge potential that technology offers to educate and learn by using programs to encourage students to learn in a fun way. With proper use, technology connected to internet help students acquire good abilities to express, write, hear and speak in English.

To integrate programs in a class goes further more than simply use a computer and its software, if we really want to make it work, we need to deepen and get better the learning process, besides that, it would be a great method to encourage students to participate and start an interaction between teacher and student by having a conversation connected to the real world. The habit of using programs to teach English should take part to the daily process in a class, and make sure that pupils feel comfortable using it by choosing the suitable one to teach.

Through this project it is expected that students acquire skills as reading, writing, listening and speaking to improve their knowledge and analyze ideas or questions to receive information without disturbing. Every student would enjoy the opportunity to try new ways to participate in class so as to forget the typical costumes. It would be a big change to learn new vocabulary, grammar, tenses and skills. It will be a great result that students start communicating each other in English fluently thanks to the correct use of programs found on the network.
INTRODUCTION

For the great majority of institutions it is a huge advantage to work teaching English with programs found on the network, but sadly that is not possible for many of them due to the lack of resources in each institution, especially in public ones. It must be consider that education is not just to use a blackboard, markers, eraser or books; it is a reality that Internet is supporting and one of the biggest axes to development nowadays. Despite using programs, it is not do it, it is to apply new strategies and make it easy to learn this language in any age.

The main tag is to help students to understand how to use different programs online, such as good, helpful, healthy or useful programs putting out any bad influence. (Cross, 2011)”Online education saves time and effort for both students and universities”. It would be awesome to recognize that not every student is in the same English level so that, there are programs which offers a teaching development since the beginning of their learning process. What is more, some of them offer a certificate to show what level they are in as what are the mistakes that they are making. When all students that have cough out with the rest of their classmates who are in the level they are supposed to be in, it would be time to they reached the next gold which is use new advanced programs.

Interaction shows a reproduction process systems induces a kind of interplay of actors, which have been linked by a linear or continuous series of attitudes, with stability. It is natural in the relationship between people, although there is no bias, there may be interaction between the partners. Interactive education with the possibility of changes in the classroom online, tapping the 4 main factors : teacher, classroom, learning and socialization. It focuses interactivity as a perspective of modification of communication in the classroom, considering the emerging model of communication and transmission lag model which remains in the school. You cannot solve the education crisis modifying only communication in the classroom. It tries to promote the foundation of a free and pluralistic media, and multiple connections.

Currently interactive classroom and online education is a demand of the digital age and cyber culture. According to (Wahid, 2008). “It is a requirement of the new socio-technical and communication environment. Teaching is demand for the new interactive communication space”. The teacher now has the challenge of educating in our time, so they will have to develop their creative imagination to meet new social demands of interactive learning English
DEVELOPMENT

It is a well-known fact that nowadays, it seems that learning English is becoming more and more interesting as well as we use technology to find good programs to teach this Language. There are several options to introduce students in the world of English and one of the most popular ones is Duolingo. This program is really helpful because of the variety of exercises that it has got, what is more, teachers can find it online using whether a computer, a tablet or a smartphone. The last option is one of the most practical choices due to the facility to take Duolingo’s app wherever students go. To work with it can be exceptional but it does not quite get as much information as other programs on the network.

As well as there are programs which are for free, there are programs that cost money for such as Babbel. This app gets the best exercises to learn English; listening, speaking, reading, writing, grammar, even extra information that we did not expect to learn but it turns out to be something great. Many institutions would afford to pay to work with these excellent programs, however it is a pity the fact that not everybody could enjoy and get knowledge by using Babbel.

According to many people, learning English becomes easier as always as we can communicate each other in that language, that is the reason because we can find programs online that offers students to communicate directly with an American and one of the most used programs is OpenEnglish. Despite of it costs, this program is used all around Latin America and recommended one by one because of the communicative practice which is one point in favor. On the other hand, not everyone can enjoy OpenEnglish as it has to be paid month per month provided by an account.

Perhaps, the use of Youtube may be the most insurance and cheap option for many institutions as we know the facilities to get into this classes and practice its exercises any time. The best news is that English is not the only one language to learn on Youtube, it has many other ones to be practiced if students want to do it by themselves.

If we search on the network we will find that there are many programs to work teaching English, it depends on teachers, they choose which one is the best to work with.

Exist a big amount of programs and all of them are suitable in different situations.
PROGRAMS FOR KINDS.

Teaching children is not an easy task and it is a great responsibility. There are a few things to keep in mind, though. Kids learn and remember faster. The sooner they start learning a new language, the sooner they will become fluent. Teachers always want the best for their students, so choosing the best sources for kids to learn from is utmost importance. If you want children to have the best starting point when they are learning English, you need use the best of the Internet and new technologies. (John Mcphee, 2014)“With the young ones’ shorter attention span, their immediate need to discover the world around them using all of their five senses, and their strong imagination, the usual classroom dynamics of being seated for a long time and merely listening to the teacher spew out information just would not suffice”. There are lots of apps designed especially for teaching kids English.

• **PILI POP.**

The awesome animated, award winning learning game Pili Pop is aimed at kids age 6 and above. The program focuses on learners’ speaking and listening skills and, using the latest speech recognition tools, gives feedback on their pronunciation.

• **FUN ENGLISH BY STUDY CAT.**

This program is designed for kids aged 3 to 10. Toddlers, kindergarten and preschool children can all learn English though play activities. The program combines an English language course with engaging educational games that keep kids entertained.

• **BUMBLEBEE TOUCHBOOK BY 3DAL, LLC.**

Bumblebee makes learning fun and easy. To use it, a child just touches any word to watch it animate and hear it spoken. If they touch the narration bee they will hear the entire page read. It contains simple, interactive learning activities from word recognition to counting and includes a 3D-animated short movie “Bumblebee Touchbok”.


PROGRAMS FOR TEENAGERS.

Language learning programs are the perfect tool to engage learners who are very tech-minded and naturally enjoy using gadgets.

Now, if you have students who are tech-savvy and love trying out new apps, here are some that are the perfect complement to their ESL classes. (Schafer, 2012) “The process of language learning is incredibly complex and even more so when learning a second language. To understand learning English as second language it is necessary to be aware of the differences in the learning process in adults and children”.

- **BUSSU.**

  This language-learning program features more than 3,000 words and expressions and covers a wide range of topics through comprehensive vocabulary sections and interactive tests. Levels include beginner to advanced, and it is available for download on iPhone and Android, whereas only 20 units are free.

- **VOXY.**

  This is a tremendously popular app, particularly in the Spanish-speaking market. It features news and stories on a variety of topics, and provides games for language practice, plus short quizzes to test comprehension. It can be downloaded for free.

- **CONVERSATION ENGLISH.**

  This program features 20 lessons, each with a video dialogue. The app gives learners the option to read the conversation and then answer questions and complete a variety of exercises. It is a great programs for those who wish to practice more conversational English.
FREE PROGRAMS

There are several programs which can be used without the necessity of paying for it. The good news is that these are as good as the ones that are paid, but with a slightly difference that sometimes is not a big change.

- ROSETTA STONE.

Rosetta Stone is probably the most famous method for learning languages. It’s also very a unique method compared to many others. Usually, an English program teaches you English with explanations in your native language. For example, if you’re French, you’ll see French explanations of English grammar, or French translations of English words, but Rosetta Stone does not do that, it teaches you English with English. For example, you might learn the English words “man”, “woman”, “park” through pictures. In the next step, Rosetta Stone might try to teach you “A man and a woman is sitting in the park”. You might not know what “sit” means, but you can probably guess it correctly.

- Memrise.

Memrise does not help you learn through games. Instead, it uses some creative, funny ways to help you remember what words mean and if something is funny, you can probably remember it better. Interestingly, Memrise courses are designed by users. So you can see how other English learners learnt these same words you are learning. There are over thirteen pages of courses available on the program, from easy ones like “English Irregular Verbs” to more difficult ones like “A Tale of Two Cities” by Charles Dickens. Many English learners find learning new words to be one of the most difficult things about the language. American English uses a large vocabulary set in particular. With Memrise, you have a fun and easy way to remember words that seem foreign to you. Also, you can also keep track of what you’ve learnt. This way, if you forget what a word means, or forgets what words you’ve learnt, you can just go back and have a look. A very effective way of learning English words, whether you are a beginner or an advanced English learner, who want to expand their vocabulary.
Duolingo.

With Duolingo, it teaches you English from many languages – French, Portuguese, Russian, Italian, Dutch, Spanish, and many more languages in the future. Duolingo is designed to help you learn English quickly. That means if you’ve never learnt English before, by using Duolingo about twenty minutes a day, you can probably start to talk in simple English, read a lot of English articles, and listen to some basic English phrases in very little time. It’s really effective. In each lesson, Duolingo teaches you about seven new words based on a topic – like education, school, science and adjectives. There are exercises you have to do in each lesson. For example, you might have to match new words with a picture, you might have to translate an English phrase back to your native language, and you might have to repeat an English phrase.

PAID PROGRAMS

Paid programs are the ones that in spite of their costs they offer a really good teaching of English. It is not too much to say that these programs are considered the best all around the world at the moment to acquire a new language.

- Fluentu

FluentU takes real-world videos like music videos, commercials, news, and inspiring talks and turns them into English learning experiences. Unlike traditional apps, FluentU uses a natural approach that helps you ease into the English language and culture over time. You’ll learn English as it’s spoken in real life.

- English Grammar in Use Tests.

Developed by Cambridge University Press and based on the successful Grammar in Use series, this program allows students to practice English grammar as a series of tests that are more akin to games. It’s not free, but it’s one of the best apps for students who want some grammar practice on the go. There is also a complete series of apps based on the Grammar in Use books available for iPhone.
RESULTS AND CONCLUSION

RESULTS.

According to Pearson English Interactive, this way of learning English interactively has been accepted by students of every age thanks to the facilities to access to the programs and enjoy them any time, any moment, wherever they would like. Let us think about students who work and study at the same time, as the teacher send a homework using the main program they work in, these students will be able to do the homework, no matters the situation.

Teachers will not have to waste time scoring students’ tests due to, the programs which are used to teach English will the results immediately after an exam. Besides it is not a waste of time, the time which will be free can be used to continue working on reinforcing the language.

Furthermore, while students work on the programs, teachers can do any other activities such as; checking students’ grades and assigning homework, quizzes and tests.

There's no need to worry about assessing your students speaking and writing in the classroom. Listen to their digital recordings, check their written work and assess their level of achievement and all online.

One more reason to use technology to teach English is that teachers get to work in lots of different types of classrooms and levels and it can be possible to look at ways of combining content, assessment, technology and services to help students across the learning interactively, learning and practicing their English skills. It is to believe in all kinds of learning, delivered at any time, in any place through materials of the highest quality.

On the same hand is the program, taking their results into account, it can be explain that latest advance in information technology and innovative teaching confronts distance English learning with new challenges and problems. Meanwhile, practice-focused conceptual learning is advocated, which inspires distance learners’ autonomy, initiative and subjectivity to the greatest degree. Then the paper discusses designing principles and orientations of conceptual learning for students based service. Finally, by presenting several successful experiences, the paper puts forward new teaching methods and advocates students’ multi-dimensional learning experiences.
Many institutions work with programs and the results are exceptional as we compare the traditional teaching and the interactive one, it is worth to work with programs due to here are the results:

The best of using programs found on the network is learning vocabulary in a different mode using senses such as see, hear, and play with illustrated words at beginner, intermediate, advanced, and professional levels with interactive audio, quizzes, and games.

As we know, listening is one of the hardest part to learn English, that is why institution prefer to work with programs which offers native speakers to introduce students in a short or long conversation so as to their ears get used to listening English pronunciation. It is worth say that students are not going to learn only common words, phrases, idioms, and American and British expressions will improve comprehension with interactive transcripts and audio.

Pronunciation could be as hard as listening, but it cannot be learnt at least we use phonetic illustrations, interactive charts and info graphics with audio. As well as it is important to get used of professional English pronunciation videos and explanations.

Practice English Speaking is essential and it can be done through dialogues, scripts, exercises, and stories for English speaking and conversation practice, including audio and video lessons in presentation.

As we know Grammar could be the easiest part for students due to it structures which let students learn as they were solving a math problem, but in this case it has to be structured in the correct order. Several programs are done especially to teach Grammar by grammar explanations of common English constructions, illustration of verb tenses and parts of speech with animation and interactive audio.

To develop the ability of reading will be a piece of cake as always as students have studied and practiced new vocabulary so that, programs online offers different modes to encourage that skill though materials for reading in English for every age. Interactive children’s books to listen, read, and repeat. Video presentation transcripts for adult English reading comprehension.

Writing is a talented skill which shows almost all the knowledge students have learnt in the past teaching process as vocabulary, grammar, linking words, phrase indeed this skill involves all the exercises that have been already practiced.
CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, there is no doubt that teachers’ help is always going to be essential (MegaEssays.com, 2015)“I learned many adjectives from him such as confidence, patience and studying hard” (p.1), because students need to be persuaded in every step they take, so that it is a fact that Technology does not do the whole job, it is just part of teaching English. The fact that programs exist does not mean that Teachers are put out even though, it would seem that programs are the only tool that students need to learn English. It is worth to recognize that programs are just been part of students’ development due to the most work is done by teachers.

Having proved that English is been spoken more and more every day all around the world, students must catch up with the rest of people who is two steps further. What is important about it is that, just being in the same level, learners can go out without fair and face every situation feeling confident in what they have learnt.

What we have seen is that the English language is and always has been a diverse entity. It has changed dramatically over the centuries since it first arrived on the shores of Britain from the north of Europe, and these changes mean that the language that was spoken at that time is almost incomprehensible to us now. As the language has spread beyond the world it has continued to change, and to change in different ways in different contexts. It has diversified to such an extent that some scholars suggest that it is no longer accurate to talk of single English that instead there are many different English languages around the world today.


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