

# **Mobile Applications In English Teaching**

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## **Abstract**

This article discusses the role of mobile apps in teaching English to young people today, and the advantages and disadvantages of mobile apps.

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Today's modern and developing world places greater responsibility on its students. Compared to the past, today's youth have more access to education systems and facilities. Especially with the advent of modern technologies, the demand for language learning is also increasing. It would also be fair to say that this is also making a significant contribution to the development and popularization of the English language. A number of incentives and laws are also being adopted to support the study of foreign languages. For example, the first President of the Republic of Uzbekistan I.A. Karimov adopted the resolution PQ-1875 on December 10, 2012, "On measures to further improve the system of studying foreign languages", which also served as a great basis for increasing interest in learning a foreign language. According to the content of this resolution, the study of foreign languages should cover representatives of all sectors and, by implementing it through modern technologies, the education and training of the younger generation so that they can speak a foreign language fluently, should be developed on a large scale.

Nowadays, there is a growing demand not only for learning English, but also for learning many other languages, which is bringing today's youth into the international arena. Of course, modern technologies play a big role in this. Because the more technology develops, the more opportunities it creates for young people to study. English is spoken as the primary language in developed countries and is recognized as a native language in many countries. In our country, several English language experts are developing new methods for learning English. This will certainly help increase the effectiveness of foreign language teaching. It should also be noted that teaching and learning using modern technologies has a number of unique advantages and benefits. It increases interest in learning and helps language learners keep up with the times, increase their learning efficiency, and strive for progress. Technology is slowly evolving today and is replacing the traditional education system. Television programs also have many programs and channels for learning English and many other languages, and they are regularly broadcast to people. Various language-teaching cartoons and songs are being released to help young children learn languages from a young age. Of course, anyone who wants their child to learn a foreign language from a young age will let their child watch such things rather than unnecessary videos, and will facilitate their child's bright future. In any foreign language lesson, using modern technologies such as computers, radio, television, CDs, monitors, and DVDs increases the effectiveness of learning and helps the growing generation learn foreign languages faster. The fact that some teachers do not use electronic systems, that is, modern technologies, in English lessons makes students bored, and over time, their enthusiasm and interest in learning the language fades. To keep students motivated, it is important to use at least one computer during class, which will help increase their interest in the lesson and science. Not only does a textbook designed according to the ability, age, and interest of each language learner, but it is also effective in language learning for each learner.

However, if we plan and create a textbook without taking these aspects into account, especially if we show difficult and long-worded movies to young children, especially primary school students and preschoolers, if we play similar songs and texts or show them on a computer, and if we use simple materials for middle or high school students, the children's love and interest in learning science will fade and become discouraged. This means that at such times, elementary school students become angry with their teacher and fail to master the subject.

Therefore, it is important not to simply use technology in the classroom, but to use it in a convenient and effective way. Also, if we talk about the advantages of modern technologies, there are many advantages and benefits. Today, with technology, we would not be wrong to say that our distances are becoming closer, our burdens are becoming lighter, and our difficulties are becoming easier.

What do you mean by using mobile apps? Mobile apps are programs designed to learn languages using a phone or tablet, allowing students to learn anywhere and anytime. Examples of popular English language learning apps include Duolingo, Memrise, BBC Learning English, Hello Talk, Busuu, Rosetta Stone, and others.

Of course, if you use these apps to learn a language, it will help you learn quickly and with high quality. Many of our young people are currently learning languages online at home using these apps and can now easily communicate in that language.

There are also many benefits that mobile apps and technology provide to our youth today. Technology brings a new and interesting approach to language learning and teaching and greatly contributes to making lessons meaningful and effective. That is, we can say that:

1. Interactivity: lessons become more lively and positive through videos, CDs, audio and online tests.
2. Flexibility: each learner or student learns at his or her own level and pace and can choose resources that are appropriate for the required level.
3. Increases motivation: various games, videos and online activities increase interest and create a special enthusiasm in a person.
4. Automatic analysis: it is systematically formed and in this system, the mistakes of the learners are checked and the opportunity to correct them immediately is given.
5. Global communication: through online platforms, learners have the opportunity to speak freely with English speakers and develop speaking skills.

Technology is a necessity for every language learner today. Before, everyone carried a lot of books in their hands, and it was difficult to carry them from place to place. Especially for an exam, there was no library or city that they did not visit to find the book they needed. Now, everything is in one phone or laptop. You can see a laptop in the hands of every student, and it is easy to search for information or a book on it. Instead of dictionary books, a dictionary app is enough now.

On the other hand, if you look at it from the other side, you can also see the shortcomings of technology. Of course, everything has two sides. However, it is natural to encounter shortcomings when using technology. Here are some examples:

1. Technical difficulties - lessons are interrupted in places with poor internet quality, and students have problems with this.
2. Decreased motivation - due to lack of supervision in online lessons, some users leave lessons halfway and do not approach them responsibly.
3. Decreased face-to-face communication - studying only in an online environment can also negatively affect pronunciation and English speaking skills.
4. Screen damage - sitting only looking at a phone or computer screen while studying online, the harmful light emitted from it will certainly cause great harm to a person and will also cause blurred vision. Constantly wearing headphones in the ear will also lead to weakening of the

hearing organ. In order to avoid various problems, I think that mobile applications and modern technologies should be used in harmony with traditional lessons. If teachers use mobile applications only as an auxiliary tool and teach mainly by demonstrating their pedagogical skills, the lesson will be of high quality and interesting. It is also recommended to create a personal individual plan for students. This is of great importance for students to master the lesson well and thoroughly.

In conclusion, teaching using mobile applications and technologies is a very useful and effective method for learning English and other languages. And this creates great opportunities. They modernize the teaching process, increase student independence and have a great chance of finding their place in global education. In addition, teacher control and student motivation are important.

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