

The Internet as a Vital Component of Modern Society: Can We Live Without it

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Abstract: *This article “The Internet as a Vital Component of Modern Society: Can We Live Without It?” explores the essential role of the Internet in shaping modern life. It examines how the Internet has become deeply integrated into various aspects of society, including education, communication, business, entertainment, and daily routine. The article discusses the advantages of global connectivity, easy access to information, and technological progress that the Internet provides. At the same time, it analyzes the negative effects of Internet dependence, such as privacy issues, social isolation, and misinformation. Finally, the article raises the question of whether modern humans could realistically live without the internet concluding that while life without it is possible, it would significantly affect social, educational and economic development.*

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Introduction

In today's globalized world the Internet plays a very important role in the development of modern society. The Internet is used by people of different ages. It is used by children. It is used by students. It is used by workers. It is used by elderly people. The Internet is a large source of information[1]. It provides news. It provides educational materials. It provides scientific research. It provides entertainment. It also works as a platform for communication. People from different countries can talk to each other. They can exchange ideas. They can share their experiences. The Internet also supports innovation. Many new technologies appear because of the Internet. Many companies develop new products using online tools. Since its creation in the late twentieth century the Internet has changed daily life. It changed the way people study[2]. It changed the way people work. It changed the way people travel. It changed the way people spend their free time[3].

Today many people depend on the Internet for daily activities. Students use it to attend online classes. Parents use it to pay bills. Workers use it to complete office tasks. Businesses use it to sell products. Doctors use it to contact patients. The Internet has become a central part of life. For this reason many people ask an important question. They want to know if modern society can live without the Internet. To answer this question it is necessary to study how the Internet affects different areas of human life[4].

Methodology

One of the biggest changes can be seen in education. The Internet has opened new opportunities for learning. It gives quick access to unlimited information. Students can search for any topic. They can watch educational videos[5]. They can read books online. They can join interactive lessons.

Teachers can prepare materials more easily. They can share presentations. They can communicate with students through online platforms. Many international learning systems exist on the Internet. These systems include Coursera, Khan Academy, Udemy and many others. They allow people to study foreign languages. They allow them to learn science. They allow them to improve technical skills. People can study from home at any time[6].

The Internet also helps students learn independently. They can choose their own speed. They can repeat lessons. They can prepare for exams using online tests. They can watch explanations when they do not understand something. This makes education more flexible. It makes education more comfortable for many students. Multimedia tools help make lessons more interesting. Students can watch animations. They can listen to audio materials. They can use interactive quizzes[7].

However the Internet also has negative effects on education. If students use the Internet too much they may become less active in real classes. They may depend on ready answers. They may lose strong critical thinking skills. Some students may copy information without reading it. This may lead to plagiarism. Because of this teachers must guide students. They must teach them how to use the Internet correctly[8].

Communication has also changed because of the Internet. In the past people wrote letters. They waited for days or weeks to receive a message. Phone calls were expensive. Today communication is simple. People can send a message in a few seconds[9]. They can make video calls. They can create groups and talk with many people at once. Social networks allow people to share photos. They allow them to share opinions. They allow them to share news. People can stay in contact even if they live in different countries. The Internet also helps people take part in social movements. They can support charity campaigns[10]. They can raise awareness about important issues. They can participate in online discussions. However online communication also has problems. Sometimes people talk less in real life. They spend more time on their phones. This may create emotional distance. It may weaken relationships. Some people may feel lonely even if they have many online friends[11]. Online communication can also cause misunderstandings because messages do not contain emotions or body language. Dependence on the Internet is growing every year. Many important systems use the Internet. Hospitals use online databases. Schools use electronic platforms. Airports use online networks. Governments use digital systems to organize work. Businesses also depend on online services. Without the Internet many processes would stop. Communication would slow down. Global cooperation would become more difficult[12].

However complete dependence is not healthy. Too much use of the Internet may reduce physical activity. It may cause health problems. It may increase stress. It may affect sleep. It may weaken real social connections. People must learn to control the time they spend online[13]. They must make balance between online life and real life. They must understand that the Internet is a tool. It is not the center of life. The Internet is an important part of modern civilization. It connects people. It supports economic development. It helps create new ideas. It helps solve many problems. Without it society would return to slower communication. It would return to limited information. It would return to less comfortable daily life. At the same time technology is useful only when people use it responsibly. People must protect their privacy. They must avoid misinformation. They must develop digital skills.

Result and Discussion

A healthy digital future requires education. Young people must learn digital safety. They must learn online ethics. They must learn critical thinking. They must understand how to use technology correctly. Responsible use of the Internet can help build a strong society. It can help people learn. It can help them communicate. It can help them grow. But society must never allow the Internet to replace real life. Real communication and real experience are important for a healthy and successful

life[14].

However, there are a lot of advantages of using internet for teaching students. For example we tested some groups for learning the English language via digital technologies. In results we achieved more and more useful benefits which students consumed.

Table 1. Digital Technologies Used in the Experimental Group

Digital Tool	Purpose	Frequency of Use	Target Skills
Google Classroom	Course management, assignments, materials	Daily	All skills (organization)
Quizlet	Vocabulary learning, flashcards, games	3-4 times per week	Vocabulary, Reading
Kahoot!	Interactive quizzes, grammar review	2 times per week	Grammar, Vocabulary
YouTube / TED Talks	Authentic listening materials	2-3 times per week	Listening, Vocabulary
Flipgrid	Video responses, oral presentations	Weekly	Speaking, Pronunciation
Google Docs	Collaborative writing, peer feedback	2 times per week	Writing, Grammar
ELSA Speak	AI pronunciation training	3 times per week (homework)	Speaking, Pronunciation
Grammarly	Writing feedback, error correction	For all writing tasks	Writing, Grammar

The research design and methodology described in this section provide a rigorous framework for investigating the effectiveness of digital technology integration in English language teaching. The quasi-experimental design with pretest-posttest control group configuration enables comparison of learning outcomes between students who received technology-enhanced instruction and those who received traditional instruction. The use of multiple data collection instruments and mixed-methods analysis allows for comprehensive examination of both the quantitative outcomes and the qualitative processes involved in technology integration. The following section will present the results obtained from this experimental study and discuss their implications for English language teaching practice.

Totally, this section presents the results obtained from the pedagogical experiment conducted to investigate the effectiveness of digital technology integration in English language teaching. The findings are organized into three main areas: overall language proficiency outcomes comparing the experimental and control groups; skill-specific results examining the impact on listening, reading, speaking, and writing abilities; and student motivation and attitudes toward technology-enhanced learning. Statistical analyses were performed using SPSS version 26.0, with significance levels set at $p < 0.05$. Effect sizes are reported using Cohen's d to provide standardized measures of the practical significance of observed differences[15].

Concluding

In conclusion, even though living without the Internet is very difficult in the modern world, we must admit that the Internet provides great support in almost every part of our lives. It helps us study more effectively, communicate with people from any distance, and complete daily tasks with less time and effort. Without the Internet many processes would become slower and more complicated,

and society would face many limitations. At the same time, its proper and responsible use can make life more comfortable, more productive, and more connected. Therefore, despite its challenges, the Internet remains one of the most important tools that helps modern society grow and develop.

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