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Incorporating Electronic Books into a Graduate Reading Methods Class: Improving the Comprehension of Students in Grades K-12

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Abstract

The purpose of this paper was to explore how various features of electronic books captured students' attention and built their confidence and knowledge base, and to what extent, if any, reading electronic books supported critical thinking skills and understanding of the text of students in grades K-12; the experienced teachers were enrolled in a summer reading/writing literacy program, offered by a mid-western university. The graduate reading methods course consisted of a tutoring session utilizing electronic books to improve the comprehension of students in grades K-12. The experienced teachers implemented electronic books to provide a context that helped their students to build conceptual and experiential background as they construct meaning and develop important literacy skills. The electronic books helped K-12 students expand their knowledge of fluency and retelling as they followed along reading for meaning and pleasure. The interactive capabilities of electronic books made the screen more attractive to K-12 students and thus supported their understanding of the text. They demonstrated what they understood from the text in book discussions; therefore, the electronic books were useful to them. The electronic books, multimedia applications, and audio recordings were part of the instruction and played a prominent role in increasing levels of comprehension. The experienced teachers, who were exposed to electronic books, responded positively to implementing them into the curriculum. This paper may serve as a model for both professors in teacher education and reading teachers to integrate technology in a meaningful context in their instruction.

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(A Case Study at Second Grade Students of MTs. Baiturrahmah Sukabumi) A "Skripsi". Presented to the Faculty of Tarbiyah and Teachers' Training In Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements. Reading is the most complex and difficult for most students in Indonesia especially for second grade students in Madrasah Tsanawiyah Baiturrahmah Parungkuda sukabumi. All those students who study reading would agree that reading comprehension is not a simple process. Because of English is a second or foreign language they still find difficulties in comprehending the English text. the writer. For students it can improve their skills in reading comprehension and can make their comprehending a reading text with fewer difficulties. Comprehension strategy instruction helps students become purposeful, active readers who are in control of their own reading comprehension. The seven strategies here appear to have a firm scientific basis for improving text comprehension. Comprehension strategies are conscious plans — sets of steps that good readers use to make sense of text. Comprehension strategy instruction helps students become purposeful, active readers who are in control of their own reading comprehension. These seven strategies have research-based evidence for improving text comprehension. Related. Story Maps. In these reading comprehension worksheets, students are asked questions about information they have read about a specific topic. Each passage reads similar to a newspaper or journal article, and provides interesting information about some aspect of history, nature, mechanics, science, art, and more. Questions involve critical thinking with a focus on logic and inference. Free 2nd grade reading comprehension Passages - 36 weeks, printable PDF worksheets to use in the classroom or at home. [Click here.](#) The 2nd grade reading comprehension activities below are coordinated with the 2nd grade spelling words curriculum on a week-to-week basis, so both can be used together as part of a comprehensive program, or each part can be used separately. The printable worksheets include second grade appropriate reading passages and related questions. Each worksheet (as well as the spelling words) also includes a cross-curricular focus on earth science, reasoning, study skills, visual art, physical science, history, social sciences, mathematics and life sciences. Improve reading comprehension with these 5 simple tips. These can work with ANY text and are already built in to Snap! Learning's reading materials. You will find reading texts and activities for Pre-K through sixth grades. The level of each text is clearly marked so that you can find the level that's just right for your reader. I was also excited to hear that they will be adding MORE texts to each level soon! SNAP! is a great fit for both classroom teachers AND homeschooling parents. Built into the program is a data collection area where you can view the progress of your child. Still not sure? You can give IT a try for free! You can also connect with SNAP! Learning via Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Pinterest!