СЕКЦІЯ 2. Опанування іноземних мов як чинник зростання професійно-освітніх можливостей громадян інших країн, котрі здобувають вищу освіту в Україні та інших країнах

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MODERN ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING THROUGH COMPUTER GAMES AND GAMING PLATFORMS

Learning English through games and gaming platforms is an interesting and effective method that combines learning with entertainment. This approach allows you to immerse yourself in the language environment, making the process of learning new words and grammatical structures natural and easy. Gaming platforms offer a wide range of video games of various genres, from adventure to strategy, where users can interact with characters, read dialogues, and complete tasks in English. This practice helps to improve spoken and written language comprehension, as well as enrich vocabulary by learning new words in the context of the game [2].

In addition, many gaming platforms have a function to communicate with other players from different parts of the world. This allows you to improve your speaking and writing skills, as you can practice English in real time, exchange messages, and participate in voice chats. Games also stimulate motivation to learn the language as they are engaging and fun. Reaching goals in a game, solving puzzles, or completing levels in English gives a sense of satisfaction and success, which encourages you to continue learning. However, it should be noted that games cannot replace traditional language learning methods completely. They are a complement to other resources, such as textbooks, courses, and practice with a teacher. It is important to combine a game-based

approach with systematic grammar learning, the development of all language skills, and constant practice [3, p. 91].

So, learning English through games and gaming platforms is a fun and effective way to immerse yourself in the language environment, enrich your vocabulary, and improve your communication skills [1, p. 37]. This method makes the learning process interesting and motivating, helping learners achieve better results in mastering a foreign language. Duolingo and Quizlet are great tools for learning English through gamification and interactive exercises. They help make the learning process fun and motivating. Duolingo is a popular language-learning app that uses game elements to engage users. As you progress through the English language course, Duolingo offers a variety of tasks in the form of mini-games, such as translating words and sentences, choosing the right answers, recognizing audio, and more. After each level is completed, the user receives points and rewards, which creates a sense of progress and achievement. The app also has a daily reminder feature and a progress bar to keep track of results, which helps keep you motivated.

Quizlet is an online platform for creating and using interactive learning materials, including flashcards, games, and quizzes. This platform is ideal for learning new vocabulary in English. Users can create their own sets of words or use pre-made sets developed by teachers or the Quizlet community. These sets can then be practiced through various game modes, such as Gravity (matching words to fast-falling cards), Matching (matching words to their translations), and Testing (different types of questions to test your knowledge). Both platforms have a friendly interface that engages users and encourages them to practice regularly. They offer a variety of game modes, which help prevent monotony and loss of interest. In addition, Duolingo and Quizlet allow you to track your progress and set goals, which adds extra motivation to achieve better results. Incorporating these platforms into the learning process can greatly enrich the English language learning experience, making it fun and effective. However, as with other game-based methods, they should not replace traditional resources

but rather complement them by providing variety and practice in a playful way.

Video games of various genres can be a great platform for practicing English in a fun and relaxed environment. Consider how popular games such as Rocket League, Warframe, and Counter-Strike: Global Offensive can help you improve your language skills. Rocket League is an arcade car simulator with football elements where players drive cars and try to score a goal. In this game, English is present in dialogues between characters, text messages, and system announcements. In addition, players can chat or use voice communication with other match participants from different parts of the world, which allows them to practice spoken English. Warframe is a cooperative third-person shooter where players take part in various missions in a futuristic universe. In this game, English is used in story missions where characters are voiced by professional actors. Players have to read prompts, instructions, and dialogues in English, which helps to improve their reading and comprehension skills. Warframe also has an active online community where players can communicate during missions or on forums. Counter-Strike: Global Offensive (CS:GO) is a cult tactical video game in which teams of counter-terrorists and terrorists compete against each other. In this game, English is the main language of communication between players during matches. For effective teamwork and coordination, it is necessary to be able to express yourself clearly and understand instructions in English.

In addition, many resources for improving your CS:GO game, such as guides and videos, are available in English only. There are several advantages to using these games to practice English. Firstly, they create an exciting and realistic environment where English is used in a natural context. Secondly, players have the opportunity to interact with other participants from different countries, which helps to improve their oral communication skills. Finally, games help to increase motivation to learn the language as they are interesting and engaging in their own right. However, it should be remembered that games cannot replace traditional methods of learning English completely. They should

be seen as a complement to textbooks, courses, and lessons with a teacher. In addition, it is important to avoid getting too carried away with games and to maintain a balance between fun and learning.

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