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Students' Perspective on the Use of Quora English in Improving English Vocabulary in Writing Skill

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Abstract: This study examines the effectiveness of the Quora platform in enhancing English vocabulary and writing skills. Utilizing a systematic literature review methodology, it explores students' perspectives on Quora's educational impact. Findings indicate that Quora fosters vocabulary development, improves writing proficiency, and enhances critical thinking through interactive, authentic learning experiences. Its algorithm, designed to tailor content to user interests, promotes engagement and independent learning. The study underscores Quora's potential as a transformative educational tool, recommending its integration into classroom activities to optimize students' language acquisition.

Keywords: quora; vocabulary development; writing skills; authentic learning; educational technology; interactive learning; language acquisition

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Introduction

The most important aspect of mastering language skills lies in the input and output of english learning. Reading and listening serve as input in english learning, while speaking and writing represent the output skills that individuals develop. The goal of reading instruction is to produce proficient writing abilities. Writing is one of the most effective methods of communication, especially in this digital era, where access to the outside world is readily available. An individual's writing ability can be developed to communicate globally via the internet. Reading and writing activities should not be limited to english class practice. Anywhere and anytime, everyone needs to practice their writing skills after processing information through reading.

Writing activity has been an integral part of human civilization since its earliest days. Ancient humans used rocks as a medium for writing, along with bones and cave walls, where they created symbols and paintings. As civilization developed, humans moved beyond carving on cave walls, rocks, and bones. Throughout history, humans developed various writing systems, including egyptian hieroglyphs, sumerian script, chinese characters, and the phoenician alphabet (Rinaldi, 2024). Writing is considered

the most challenging language skill because it is widely regarded as the most important competency in language mastery. As (Harmer, 2006) states, writing is not easy because it requires significant time and language ability, including proper sentence structure and vocabulary choice, skills that are developed through extensive reading and listening practice.

As technology advances, humans have increasingly incorporated digital tools into their daily lives, particularly in language learning. One way to enhance writing skills is through the use of mobile applications. Among these, the quora application has gained significant attention from researchers. Quora, created by adam d'angelo (its founder), was developed with the vision of creating a platform for meaningful question-and-answer interactions. To address students' needs in improving their english vocabulary and developing stronger reading and writing skills, researchers have investigated the use of quora as a learning platform (Rindiani, 2023).

Quora, combining the concepts of 'questions' and 'answers,' in a platform where users can pose questions while other users contribute responses and share their expertise. The application features various engagement tools including upvoting, sharing capabilities, and question-posting functions. Users can also provide feedback through comments on others' responses, facilitating interactive discussions and knowledge exchange. This collaborative environment enables users to both contribute their expertise and learn from others' perspectives (Noviyanti, 2023).

The focus of this study is to determine how well quora is used to facilitate students as a medium to improve students' vocabulary and is able to help students in writing activities. This application is also supported by an algorithm according to topics that are more frequently accessed by users. This feature shows the interests that are more frequently shown by users, so users will not feel bored because what will appear more often are topics that they like (Ramadhan, 2025). Authentic learning can increase interest in learning, so it is important for educators to develop new skills. According to (Berardo, 2006) authentic learning can eliminate negative perspectives in student learning, so authentic learning is expected to be able to encourage the use of language in the real world. Authentic learning is related to the use of quora as a platform that can invite students to take part in real life so that writing is not only an activity in the classroom, but can be applied in daily life through interactions with the people around the world.

1. Writing skill

Writing is one of the language skills and competencies that must be possessed by students. This is taught by (Pujiono et al., 2024) that this skill plays a big role in the concept of learning. This is one of the learning skills in a foreign language, the ability to write is needed in the world of work, especially in the world of education, some people think that writing is a skill or ability that is difficult to learn because writing requires the ability to think and understand the linguistic structure of the language itself. According to (Alfaki, 2015) writing plays a major role in expressing a person's ideas, thoughts, opinions or traits. Through writing, one can find out the content of one's own thoughts, ideas or traits (Rindiani, 2023).

2. Mall

Mobile-assisted language learning (mall) has been extensively studied since 1994, with over 3,800 research papers published. Despite the overwhelmingly positive learning outcomes reported in these studies, prior meta-analyses have often relied on incomplete or limited data. This article highlights the importance of addressing these gaps by incorporating a broader range

of sources, including non-english studies, mobile technology journals, and academic theses, to provide a more comprehensive understanding of mobile's impact on language learning. Mobile-assisted language learning (mALL) not only benefits general learners but also holds significant promise for older adults. The opportunities provided by mALL for this demographic include fostering language acquisition through mobile technologies, though challenges such as usability and accessibility remain. By addressing these challenges, mALL can help bridge generational gaps in language learning and enhance lifelong learning opportunities (Irwan et al., 2020).

3. Quora Platform

Quora, a question-and-answer platform, is increasingly recognized for its educational potential in improving reading comprehension. A study conducted on high school students in Takalar, Indonesia, demonstrated that integrating Quora into reading activities significantly enhanced students' ability to identify main ideas and draw conclusions from texts. The platform's interactive and user-friendly nature makes it an effective tool for engaging students, especially in electronic learning environments. Results showed measurable improvements in students' reading skills, validating Quora's role as a valuable educational medium (Mulyah et al., 2023). Quora, an internet-based question-and-answer platform, has gained recognition as an effective educational tool in improving language skills. With features like interactive questions, public discussions, and community spaces, Quora fosters active learning and engagement. Studies indicate that using Quora significantly enhances descriptive writing and reading comprehension. It provides students with opportunities to explore diverse topics, share ideas, and access tailored content. As a versatile digital medium, Quora aligns with modern educational needs, making it an invaluable resource for enhancing communication and critical thinking skills.

Research method

In this study, the author will apply a mixed method accompanied by a sequential exploratory design, a design that combines qualitative and quantitative methods sequentially. The reason for choosing this design is to gain an in-depth understanding of students' perspectives on the use of Quora in an effort to improve English vocabulary mastery for writing skills (Almeida, 2018).

In the first stage, the author will use a qualitative approach by reviewing systematic literature. The author will collect data by analyzing research journals and conference proceedings that discuss the topic of using Quora in English learning. Especially those related to vocabulary development and writing skills. Data collected from various literature sources are then analyzed using coding and categorization techniques to identify the main themes. The data from this analysis is the basis for developing research instruments in the next phase, the quantitative phase (Torres-Carrion et al., 2018).

In the second stage, the author applies a quantitative approach by developing a questionnaire based on the data from the analysis in the first phase. Before the questionnaire is used, the questionnaire will go through stages in the form of validation of the suitability of the contents of the questions. Reliability testing is also used to ensure that the research instrument meets the standards for eligibility for use. The questionnaire will be distributed via Google Form to all students who have used Quora in their English learning, sampling using purposive sampling technique with the aim of ensuring that respondents really have experience that is in accordance with the research objectives (Creswell, 2012).

Also in the process of collecting quantitative data, the author always pays attention to the aspects of the research code of ethics where the author will provide informed consent to respondents and

guarantee the confidentiality of personal information from respondents. Students who are research participants are asked to voluntarily fill out the questionnaire questions and of course respondents have the right if they do not want to fill in the answers. All data that can be collected will be analyzed using descriptive statistics in providing an overview of students' views on the use of quora in mastering vocabulary and improving writing skills (Mish-ra et al., 2019).

In ensuring the validity and reliability of the research, the author uses two data triangulation techniques. First, triangulating sources in comparing data from various journals and proceedings. Second, the author will conduct method triangulation, which is done by combining the two results of qualitative and quantitative analysis. For the final stage of analysis, the author will integrate various findings from both research phases in order to provide a deep understanding of how quora can help improve english vocabulary mastery in supporting students' writing skills. The results of the study will be presented by the author in the form of a narrative description which is not forgotten to be supported by statistical data to provide a complete and clear picture of the effectiveness of using quora in learning english (Lauri, 2011).

Thus, with this structured research methodology, the author hopes that this study can contribute significantly to the understanding of the use of social media platforms, especially quora in helping students in learning english. The author also hopes that this study will later become the basis for developing effective learning strategies in improving english vocabulary in order to support students' writing skills through the use of technology. With this structured methodology, research is expected to provide a significant contribution to the understanding of the use of social media platforms, especially quora english, in learning english at the tertiary level. The results of this study can be the basis for developing more effective learning strategies in improving students' english vocabulary through the use of technology.

Results

The researcher discovered the following after choosing the components in accordance with the source's specifications:

Table 1. The analysis result of source references

No	Researcher's name and year of publication	A
	Research title	Research results
1.	The development of students critical thinking in the form of writing by using quora as an english learning platform	Since many assignments in school and college are written, students must have writing skills. If students have good writing skills, writing will become easier for them. Students can improve their critical thinking skills by writing with the help of quora. It is highly recommended for teachers to use this media during the teaching process because it has been proven to generate much greater enthusiasm for students than using conventional media.
2.	Devi rindiani and lidiyatul izzah (2023)	The effectiveness of using quora website in improving students descriptive text writing
		The use of quora websites is beneficial for improving students' descriptive writing skills. In general, students show improved results after studying

			descriptive texts using the media available on the quora website.
3.	Sari dewi noviyanti (2023)	Students perspective of using quora : an authentic learning experience in digital platform	Quora helps many students in their education. Here, grades refer to how quora can assist students in improving their writing skills. Most students believe that quora is a useful tool for providing real-world learning opportunities. They also believe that the quora platform has value in terms of education, especially when it comes to improving their writing skills.
4.		Pemanfaatan media sosial quora untuk pembelajaran menulis teks eksplanasi siswa kelas xi	The features available on quora can be used well and can provide benefits in the learning process. Learning explanatory texts through the quora social media platform has a very positive impact in increasing students' enthusiasm for learning. This is in line with the findings of research by zimba (2019) which shows that quora has a positive impact on improving students' perception of learning. Quora has proven to be effective in facilitating students' motivation to learn and supporting them in achieving the minimum competency completeness (kkm) score in indonesian subjects. It is hoped that the existing operating system on quora can be understood more deeply to produce better research parameters.

Discussion

Students at different levels of education must master the ability to write, which is an essential skill. To write well, you must master the structure of the text and have good critical thinking skills. In situations like this, creative learning tools can be very useful to support the learning process. Quora is one of the increasingly popular media used to improve students' writing skills. The platform allows students to write and share opinions and gain new insights, which can help them think critically.

The use of quora in the learning process, especially to improve descriptive writing skills, showed positive results. The results showed that the average student showed a significant improvement in their writing ability when learning descriptive texts. This is achievable because quora offers students a wide range of writing types that they can read and learn, as well as the opportunity to interact with other users through engaging questions and answers. Students can see different points of view and the ways authors convey their ideas; this will surely inspire them to write more critically and creatively.

In addition, most students state that quora is very helpful in their pedagogical development. This shows that quora has managed to improve students' writing skills in addition to improving their knowledge and understanding of various topics. With the existence of this platform, students can learn more actively and independently. This is definitely very helpful in improving their critical and analytical thinking. With a free and open discussion forum, quora provides students with the opportunity to dig into opinions and information from a variety of sources, broadening their horizons.

Quora's bubble filter algorithm is one of its interesting features; it is effective at distributing answers without considering the profile or credentials of the author. This creates a more diverse and

inclusive learning experience by providing equal opportunities for all users to share information. In addition, this feature allows students to receive answers from various perspectives, which can certainly help them better understand what they are learning. Therefore, quora is not only a means to communicate, but also a useful tool to increase students' desire to learn (Zhang et al., 2018).

The findings of (Zimba, 2019) show that the use of quora has a positive effect on students' perception of learning, thereby increasing learning motivation. This is in line with other research findings that show that this platform helps students achieve minimum proficiency completeness (kkm) in their learning, especially in Indonesian learning. Quora learning, which takes place through social media, has been proven to increase students' enthusiasm for learning and ultimately have an impact on learning outcomes.

Based on these findings, it is highly recommended for educators to consider using quora in the learning process. The use of this platform as an innovative learning medium can help students to be more actively involved in the learning process, improve their writing skills, and hone their critical mind. By utilizing the features contained in quora, students need to be able to gain a deeper understanding of teaching materials and be better prepared to face academic challenges in the future.

However, for optimal results, it is important for teachers to understand quora's operating system and algorithms. A deeper understanding of how these platforms work will allow for more effective teaching and improve data collection and research parameters when developing technology-based learning. Therefore, quora can not only be a means of learning but also an integral part of innovation in the world of education.

Conclusion

Quora demonstrates significant potential as an innovative learning medium for improving English writing and vocabulary skills. Its interactive features enable students to explore diverse perspectives, fostering critical and analytical thinking. The platform also motivates independent learning, helping students achieve academic competencies. Educators are encouraged to adopt quora for creating engaging, technology-driven classrooms. For optimal use, teachers should familiarize themselves with quora's algorithms and operations to maximize its educational benefits and further research potential.

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