

VARIOUS TYPES OF EXERCISES FOR STUDYING ENGLISH FOR CHILDREN

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It is not news that studying English is very important nowadays. There are 400 million native speakers of this language on the planet and English is the official or one of the main languages of communication in more than 50 countries. Knowing this language there will be opened millions of various possibilities in each sphere of human activity such as design, IT, medicine, engineering, economics and many others. English will help to build a successful career and bring positive emotions to a person's life. And the best way of studying English begins from childhood when everything is given with ease.

Being a child is a great opportunity for exploring because everything is new in this wonderful world. When you are a child, you learn very fast and easy even foreign languages [1].

There are many foreign languages in the world but the English language is the most demanded nowadays. With each year the amount of English speakers is increasing [2]. That is why it is very important to study this language while a person is a child [3].

It is better to start studies at home. It will be much more pleasant for the child to study English with mother or father than with an unfamiliar person. Parents will assist the child in such important work.

In order for the child to study English with pleasure, a special creative approach to learning is needed. Creative activities and materials are incredibly important in English lessons. By virtue of them the child is distracted and relaxed during the lesson.

Nowadays there is much information which can be found everywhere and the variety of these materials get confused some parents because they do not know where to start studying English with their children.

The goal of this work is to create and design the modern and useful printed edition with Augmented Reality for preschool children aged 6 – 8 in order them to study the English language easily and with joy.

The future printed edition will consist of the most relevant and used topics of everyday life such as family, relatives, colours, pets, numbers, toys and others. Each topic will contain pleasant pictures, necessary vocabulary and various creative exercises which will assist in memorization of new words. Such exercises will improve not only English, but attention, memory, thinking, observation and of course creativity of the child.

Each topic will contain necessary vocabulary, transcription and pictures for understanding. Each of exercise assignment will be written in two languages: English and Ukrainian for explaining what will be needed to do. There will be a pictured sign when there the Augmented Reality technology can be used. By virtue of this technology parents and their children will be able to study English with no extra tutors and high cash costs.

One spread is used for one topic. The new words will be placed at the top of each left page of the edition. The technology of Augmented Reality can be used for memorization the vocabulary. It will assist the child in listening the right pronunciation of every word and repeating it correctly.

After studying the vocabulary, the child can accomplish exercises for better memorization. Exercises will include various tasks. For instance, exercise number 2: Complete the crossword (Розгадай кросворд). The child will need to accomplish the crossword with looking at the pictures next to each line of the crossword, recalling the name of them and writing the appropriate words in the cells. Such exercise will train memory and teach the child to extract the necessary information from it.

Another exercise is exercise number 3: Read and match (Прочитай та з'єднай). The goal of this exercise is to match words with the appropriate pictures, for instance, the word yellow matches with a yellow brush picture. Such exercise will teach to analyze and compare pictures and words, help to develop the attention and concentration of the preschooler.

Next example is exercise number 4: Draw pictures above the words. Colour your pictures and write colours (Намалюй малюнки над словами. Розфарбуй свої малюнки та підпиши кольори). Such exercise will develop fine motor skills, lateral thinking and imagination. Also there will be exercises where the child will fill in the missing letters and etc.

Using such printed edition with Augmented Reality will undoubtedly increase child's desire and interest in studying the English language and with all exercises mentioned above this process will be cognitive, because except English there will be developed such important skills such as the ability to think, analyze, write English letters and much more.

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