

English-The Most Emphasized Emerging Trend in Global Education System

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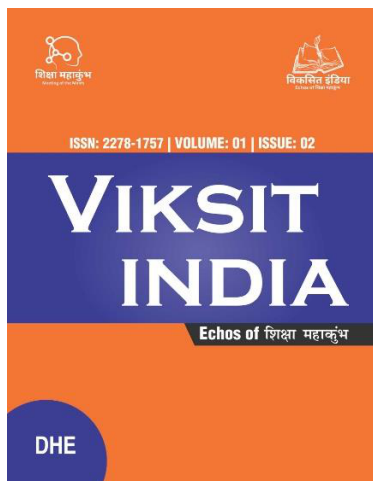
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Abstract

Purpose: The purpose of the study is to highlight the importance of English in today's educational world. It will emphasize the reasons, which are relevant in the most current times. The study focuses on the different usages of English other than communication and why youngsters should acquire the language. It is also providing snippets of different motivational factors of English language and journey of English from local to global. The study's primary goal is to emphasize the significance of English as the most developing trend in global educational system.

Design/methodology/approach: The methodology to conduct this research is qualitative. This is a descriptive study with the use of secondary data to highlight the emerging trend of English globally in education system, as to how this language has importance in every field and every corner of the world.

Findings: Each language has its own importance but English is the most emerging trend in global education system. Education knows no bounds. English as a language in education has evolved and become a global language. Pupil from across the globe wants to learn English for many purposes rather than communication. The simulation findings show that current trend of English outperforms the previous trends on various factors such as youngsters dream of education in overseas universities or more opportunities to work abroad which makes them economically strong. Language also plays a dominating role in cross cultural exchange and technological advancement which is inevitable in current period.

Research limitations/implications: The proposed methodology does not take into consideration that segment of pupil who are not able to learn the language. It is not addressing the issues like lack of resources, barriers like psycho-social, socio-economic, socio – emotional, curricular and pedagogy.

Originality/value: The proposed work is highly original in its approach to addressing the English as the most emerging global trend in education system. In today's world, the introduction of many variables for learning English and its worldwide application, particularly in the educational sphere, is unavoidable. The concept of learning English for global consequences is something that offers youngsters a promising future

Keywords: Emerging Trend, Technological Advancement, Cross-Cultural Exchange, Psycho-Social Barriers.

Introduction

Trends change throughout time, and education adapts to benefit everyone. The technology has made the world smaller and with the world becoming more accessible, there emerges a term "Globalization". The most fundamental and indispensable part of our life is language. Conventional ideas about education are further creating way to newer, more imaginative ideas about learning, teaching and acquiring knowledge and information. In today's time English has indeed become the most emerging trend in global education system. Most nations have adopted English as a second language, and many colleges throughout the world offer courses taught solely in English. English proficiency and fluency have become critical factors in global communication, increased career prospects, higher education, and many other areas. Moreover, widespread of technology like internet and social media also has a major contribution in spread of English as a global language. English is the most extensively used language online, and its dominance in the digital world has hastened its acceptance in educational institutions throughout the world. Students in most of the parts of the world are expected to have certain level of fluency in language to get admissions in higher studies in international universities, to get better opportunities especially abroad. The emergence of English as a global language has brought

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about significant changes in the education system throughout the world. Its accelerating importance in international communication and in trade and commerce has made it a mandatory skill for everyone to acquire. Language has been the integral part of education system from the very beginning. Between late 1940's and early 1950's language labs came into existence. This is the time when secondary schools and universities adopted programs in modern foreign language. The notion of language labs was established with the introduction of contemporary language programmes. The goal of language laboratories was for students to get aural exposure to the language. This was seen as an important advance in the mid-twentieth century since it provided students with the opportunity to get acquainted with the language by hearing it in the native voice. Students had less opportunities to travel at that period. There was no internet and little technology. Everything has changed. In today's era of digital everything including aural exposure to other languages is inexpensive or free. Podcasts, satellite radio, and Internet radio are all accessible. Students are not expected to focus just on grammar and vocabulary, but rather to utilise the language for a variety of purposes. Since we are seeing globalisation, which affects all aspects of life. To begin, the notion of English language must be properly understood in light of the importance of English in global education and communication, higher education, cultural exchange, and a variety of other elements.

Concept Of English Language: English language is a West Germanic language that originated in medieval England and gradually became a global lingua franca. It is an official language in various countries, including United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Australia and New Zealand and is spoken by over 1.5 billion people worldwide. The language has evolved over time and has a complex grammar system with a large vocabulary that draws from various sources including Germanic, Latin and French. English is used in many different contexts, including business, education, entertainment and international communication which has contributed to its widespread use and importance. English is more than just a language; it is also a tool for obtaining new talents and skills. English is a language that should be taught not only to exchange thoughts and perspectives, but also to thrive on a global scale. The language is crucial in the educational system for growth in all professions. English is the lingua franca in prevailing times and fundamental language for number of different fields like computer coding, technology, higher education and many more. Many universities also offer special courses in English language. English is the most rising trend in education nowadays since pupils cannot function without it. Following are the brief discussions on the key elements of English language.

A. Global Education and Communication: In today's world most of the population is at least bi-lingual. First, they learn their own native language and generally people prefer to learn English as their second language. Youngsters prefer to attain proficiency in English as the language has reached the position of Global language. Education is an integral part of everyone's successful life. English as a language has a major role to play in education and communication. English is the language of communication at majority of airports and even signboards are in English. Students want to attain mastery in English not

only to communicate but to grow professionally also. English is a link language as it connects people from different countries under one roof. It connects people of various backgrounds and cultures through communication. English is the language of tourism, business, technology, science and entertainment. This also serves as the prime language for number of international organisations like NATO, United Nations and the International Olympic committee. In today's interconnected world it is important to communicate proficiently with people to exchange ideas and thoughts, experiences and perspectives and for personal as well as professional growth.

B. Higher Studies: Studying abroad in international and overseas universities is the most emphasizing global trend in the current scenario. Higher education in overseas universities is a dream and desire every student has. It doesn't get materialised without English. It has been observed that the students who are seeking admissions in graduation in reputed universities need to have English core or elective as their main subject in 12th standard. Admissions to prestigious universities or colleges for graduation is not possible without English. It is the essential language of higher education throughout the world. English is the language of instruction for higher courses like postgraduation or doctorate and students need to attain proficiency to succeed in higher studies. Furthermore, various universities require proof of student's proficiency in English language before offering them admissions, like IELTS, Cambridge exams or TOEFL. Academic resources such as research papers, journals, online journals become accessible to students easily as most of them are in English language. Additionally, to be able to communicate profusely is a recognised skill in globalised job market.

C. Cultural Exchange: English is the lingua franca for countries across the world to communicate and exchange ideas and thoughts. There are many universities, schools and institutions which offer different kind of programs in cultural exchange through learning of English. There are many reasons for English as the most emerging trend in global education system. One of the most important is that the students get to interact with other students with different culture. By getting acquainted with different cultures, students get to know the foreign culture which helps them to appreciate various cultures and traditions. This also gives them opportunities to study in international settings and provides them the chance of personal as well as professional growth. Basically, the crux is that English in cultural exchange is the emerging trend in global education system for holistic development.

D. Technological and Scientific Advancement: Technology has adapted English as its language. It is also been recognised as de facto language universally and has a great influence on scientific literacy. Scientists from different corners of the world connect to share their perspectives and experiences which also enhance technology. English is the minimum requirement in the fields of science and technology. Technology and science have been drastically changed or rather grew after mid 20's. English is now highly prevalent even in countries where language is a non-native language like Spain, France. In relation to this context, Adam Huttner-Koros states.

“The academic papers outnumber in publications in English language several times more than that of in their own countries

language". The ratio is astonishingly reached to 40:1, which means scientists who want to be globally recognised and create influential work in their field, interact with other scientists across the globe through conference presentations, seminars and workshops. They share and increase their knowledge by reading research papers, journals, articles which are mostly available in English. In 2005, Kumju Hwang, in his case study stated about the Korean scientists, residing in U.K that "The reasons that (non-native English-speaking scientists) have to use English, at a cost of extra time or effort, is closely related to their continuous efforts to get recognised as having internationally compatible quality and to gain the highest possible reputation".

Objectives

- To understand the emphasis of English as the most emerging trend in global education system.
- To focus on the current trend of English language.
- To determine the importance of English in all fields from education to profession.
- To discuss the significance of English with higher studies for better and promising future.
- To confer the importance of English for global education and communication.
- To show the importance of English in Cultural exchange.
- To comprehend how Scientists from different parts of globe make use of English language in Technological and Scientific Advancement.

Methodology (Tools and Techniques)

- The present research is educational research as it links the development and global use of language with education and higher studies.
- It is qualitative research as the researcher has collected data and describes each variable in detail rather than measuring it.
- This research can be considered as Descriptive research as it is the study of the phenomena or trend.
- Secondary data has been used in this research.

Literature Review

There are numerous researches done previously on the changing trends of English language. English as language has revolutionised since its inception. The Britain was captured by three Germanic Tribes during 5th century AD which commenced the history of English language. These tribes, the Saxons, the Angles and the Jutes, travel across the North Sea from what now is Denmark and northern Germany. "At that time the inhabitants of Britain spoke a Celtic language. But most of the Celtic speakers were pushed west and north by the invaders - mainly into what is now Wales, Scotland and Ireland. The Angles came from "England" [*sic*] and their language was called "English" - from which the words "England" and "English" are derived."

There are various versions of English starting from OLD ENGLISH (400-1100AD). Old English is entirely different from today's English, though the language we speak today has its roots in old English only. After 1100 AD, England was invaded by William the Conqueror (part of modern France). The Normans who are the new conqueror has introduced French which has become the official language of the Royal court, for the rulers and business class. For certain period of

time those belong to high class spoke French and those belong to lower classes used English.

Middle English: During 14th century, English again became presiding in Britain with number of words added in French. This is called **Middle English language (1100 – 1500 AD)**. Influential poet Chaucer made a great use of middle English in his writings but native speakers of English still find it difficult to understand.

Early Modern English: Then, **Modern English (1500-1800 AD)** also referred as Early Modern English follows and unexpected and precipitable change in pronunciation begins. This is the period of great vowel shift with the pronunciation of vowels became shorter. 16th century onwards, British had relations with more peoples across the globe. There were many newly discovered words and phrases added to the language. Printer also came into existence which helped in fixed format of grammar and spellings. The first English dictionary was published in 1604.

Late Modern English: At last, to know is **Late Modern English (1800AD till Present)**. The point of differentiation between Early and Late Modern English is structure and vocabulary. Many new words have been added to Late Modern English. There is a need for new vocabulary because of changing trends in technology, education system, cultural exchange programs. English language is an integral part of education which has become globalised in today's time. Many Universities, schools, institutions are introducing English language programmes for the better acquisition of the language. Youngsters also feel the need of mastering this skill for successful future, it may be higher studies in overseas universities or institutions or getting a high paying job abroad. Travelling amongst students and working people has increased which has resulted in cultural exchange between people of different cultures for better understanding. So, for considering and addressing numerous points for announcing English as the most emerging trend in global education system there have been number of researches done previously and also to support this trend many missions have also been launched by private institutions and government bodies across the globe.

A. English As A Global Language: Its Historical Past and Its Future, Zuliati Rohmah: in his work, he laid stress on the definition of global language, what's the need of global language and why people need global language. He has explained the history of English language and its future for why it has become global.

B. Braj Kachru's Model of World Englishes (1983): Kachru designed a model wherein he explains different uses of English. The model contains three circle – The Inner, The Outer and The Expanding Circle. The Inner Circle represents 380 million speakers of English language from U.K, U.S.A, Canada, Australia, South Africa and Ireland. The Outer Circle represents 300 million speakers from India, Singapore, Malaysia and Nigeria. The Expanding Circle demonstrates 500 to 1000million speakers China, Russia, Europe, Asia and Brazil. The Inner Circle consists the conventional bases of English language and its speakers who are delivering the norms. This is from "The Inner Circle" that norms are made and reach out to other circles. These people are from U.S, U.K, Canada. the outer circle illustrates the places of non-native speakers of English with colonial history. The non-native speakers in this circle don't accept the norms made by inner group and develop their own norms. They are basically

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ESL. India, Pakistan and Egypt are some of the countries that comes under outer circle. People in the expanding circle do not speak in English in general. They have to accept the rules made by the inner circle and modified by the outer circle. China, Russia, and Brazil are some countries of the expanding circle. The limitation of Kachru's model is that the multi lingual and bi-lingual speakers are not being taken into consideration. Kachru further adds, "As a result, English became the most dominated and most powerful language in the world that motivated many linguists and language researcher to call it an international language".

C. How English Became the Global Language, David Northrup, 2013: The author talks about how the language has become the global lingua franca in the history of world. It has not only happened because of it spread in most of the countries but because of the connection that language has with other subjects in the world. Three topics of discussion – "how a historian's treatment of English differs from other professions' approaches, how the rise of global English has gotten mixed up with debates about the origins of the modern world, and what the story of English has in common with the spread of other languages." Malcolm Gladwell 'tipping point' is very well explained in relation to the spread of English language globally.

D. The Role of English as A Global Language, Parupalli Srinivas Rao: The researcher in this paper has unveiled the importance of English language through facts and figures. The importance of the language in day-to-day life as well as in all spheres of life has been meticulously discussed. Paper has revealed that the value of English is not only limited to our personal life but in every part of life like education, higher studies than in any profession like travel and tourism, business relationships, to promote business internationally. The researcher through statistical data proves English to be internationally accepted or Global language.

Findings and Recommendations

The followings findings and recommendations have been made by researcher after doing the relevant literature review of the topic: -

- Education knows no bounds. Learning English has become the most significant trend in the global educational system, with worldwide significance. English is not simply a language; it is also a tool for acquiring other abilities and skills.
- The English language is essential in education system for advancement in all fields. There are several inevitable factors which contribute to this trend like Global Communication, Economic opportunities, Higher studies, Technological advancement, cultural exchange.
- Technology has made this world a smaller site, distances have reduced, the internet and other social sites are making it easier for different walks of people to connect. People learn a lot via technology without travelling to other countries, there are online numerous language courses or even skilled courses available online. One doesn't have to be there physically to attend these online courses. Most of the courses are available in English language. So, English plays a major role in learning technology for leading a learned life.
- According to one of the research, English is an entry ticket in many of the overseas universities or colleges for higher education, youngsters want to study in elite institutions in order to place themselves in high paying job. The language of

most of the entrances in international or elite Universities is English. Youngsters cannot ignore the language because it is the source language to get into their dream institution or University.

- The researcher has significantly observed that till now people of high status or in high position could speak English well. Time has changed now even a minor job needs fluency in English. Employers prefer people who has knowledge of English language or can speak and write in English.
- It is been found that today is the world of Cultural Exchange and English plays a significant role in this. English builds the language and the cultural bridge between people of different countries, from entirely different language and cultures. English is a linking language for them. They can celebrate each other's festivals, understand and appreciate one another's culture. This actually help people in leading a holistic lifestyle.
- After studying the depth and hold English language has around the world for one or the other reason, it is absolutely apt to tag English language as the most emerging trend in global education system.
- The researcher wants to strongly recommend that learning of English language should begin at elementary level. Especially, in non-native English language countries. There should be strong support from parents and teachers.

Gap, Limitations and Future Implications

- Factors such as family background, family environment for English language learning is not been taken into account for this study. Sometimes the environment of one's home is not conducive to learn English language as family members are not acquainted with the language, so it becomes harder to learn English as a second language. Gaps and limitations in curriculum or pedagogical shortcomings are not taken into account in this research.
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- Gaps and limitations in curriculum or pedagogical shortcomings are not taken into account in this research. Lack of resources, barriers like psycho-social, socio-economic, socio – emotional are not part of this research.
- There is lot of potential in learning English which can significantly influence individuals and societies.
- As children has developing mind which grasps swiftly, so parents and teachers should provide them with such an environment which helps children in better acquisition of English language. Gradually, you would see them using English for their daily conversation and mastering the language which ultimately boost their self-confidence and prepare them for further higher studies and towards better standards of life.
- Institutions should start with Programs for learning English for adults which will help them being independent in terms of using technology, for example say internet, where lot of content is accessible for them to utilize, if not professionally but for their personal benefit. It will help them to connect with the rest of the world.

Conclusion

The researcher in the end would like to conclude that English is the most significant language among another languages, used internationally or one can say globally. The role of English as the most emerging trend in global education system has been thoroughly discussed. The stature of English in technological and scientific advancement is being highlighted in this paper and it has been observed that many scientists from different parts of world are learning English to get recognition of their work. Most of the technology is set down in English language. English is the prominent language for the internet use. The importance of English in travel and tourism cannot be overstated. English is the language of communication at majority of airports and even signboards are in English. Then, significance of English in Cultural exchange has been discussed. There are numerous reasons as to why we need a unified language to unite everyone in this smaller digital world. Youngsters would move to different countries for higher education or employment and English is the prerequisite condition for this. The most absorbing fact is that the countries with higher economic growth like China, Brazil, Russia, Japan are also starting programs for learning English. Hence, rightfully so, English can be declared as the most emerging trend globally.

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