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Use Of A Writing Web-Site By Pre-Masters Students On An English for Academic Purposes Course.

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Abstract

¹During the last 10 years, use of the World-Wide-Web for educational purposes has increased dramatically. ²However, very little empirical research has been carried out to determine the effectiveness of this use. ³The aim of this study was therefore to investigate the effectiveness of using the World-Wide-Web on an EAP writing course. ⁴Two groups of students were taught writing by two different methods: one group was taught by a teacher in a traditional classroom, while a second group included use of an on-line web-site in their course. ⁵The two groups were assessed in the same way after a twelve-week period of instruction. ⁶Results of the assessment showed significant differences between the two groups, the group that used the on-line web-site performing much better on all aspects of the test. ⁷This suggests that the use of computer assisted learning programmes for at least some of the teaching time available can be recommended for EAP writing courses.

Analysis

Read the following abstract carefully. It is taken from the field of computer assisted learning. Identify the sentences in the abstract that correspond to the elements in the following box.

ORDER OF ELEMENTS INCLUDED IN AN ABSTRACT

some background information

the principal activity (or purpose) of the study and its scope

some information about the methodology used in the study

the most important results of the study

a statement of conclusion or recommendation