

EFFICIENCY OF USING BLOG IN DEVELOPING SOME FUNCTIONAL WRITING' SKILLS AND REFLECTIVE THINKING FOR EFL MAJORS AT-AL-MAJMAAH UNIVERSITY

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ABSTRACT

The present study attempted to instigate the effect of using blog in developing some functional writing' skills and reflective thinking for EFL majors at Al-majmaah university, Saudi Arabia. The study used a pre- test / posttest one group design .The results of the study assured that no a statistically significant difference between the means of the students' scores on the pre-posttest of students' writing skills favoring the post application. And, no a statistically significant difference between the means of the students' scores on the pre-posttest of reflective thinking scale favoring the post administration. It was concluded that using blog had a significant effect on developing functional writing skills, and reflective thinking, of EFL majors' students. Based on these results, the related study recommended that: using blogs should be used in teaching EFL writing at the college, students should be given enough opportunities to use modern technology in their learning, teachers should encourage students to take part in the evaluation of their writing, and teachers should give students writing activities related to their thinking.

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