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TRAINERS' GUIDE

For mobile resources to be used in the classroom

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INTRODUCTION

The integration of ICT into European education systems is seen as crucial to the health and renewal of the European economy and forms a key component of the region's educational policies (EACEA/Eurydice, 2011).

The first component of the guide will offer a description of what mobile learning is and which devices, tools, media, apps could be used in education.

In the second component you will find an illustration of the abundant pedagogical benefits and advantages of m-learning. The theory will be underpinned by the description of good practices collected in 5 European Countries (Germany, Spain, Great Britain, Greece and Finland).

The third component will be dedicated to demonstrating how to plan your mobile learning approach.

Finally, we will present future scenarios and opportunities for mobile learning and some useful links for more information and tools.



M-learning is the latest method of learning (in any environment), with the use of mobile devices (Mobile, tablets, etc.) and a wireless network (Pacheco and Robles, 2006). This learning environment has some unique attributes that can enhance education beyond the "anywhere, anytime" learning (Shuler, 2009). There are many other functional advantages: direct interaction between student and trainer, collaborative learning, cheaper technology, etc.; m-learning also has pedagogical advantages: it allows individual or collaborative learning, teaches problem solving skills, allows access to information in the moment of need, etc.

Nevertheless some barriers restrict its implementation in education:

- Most of teachers/VET trainers are not aware of the potential of mobile devices as a tool for learning;
- Mobile devices, and specifically smartphones, have a poor reputation: "the majority of people on Earth believe mobile phones, beyond not being conducive to learning are in fact a barrier to it" (UNESCO Mobile Learning Week Report, 2011, p.11);
- Most teachers/VET trainers do not have the necessary competences or knowledge to use mobile devices for learning.

The aim of the MOBILE-TECH project is to make mobile learning a reality in education, especially in VET centres, by supporting teachers, trainers, educational staff and youth workers in acquiring digital skills and improving the use of mobile learning with the help of an Open Collaborative Learning Platform.

The "Trainers' guide for mobile resources to be used in the classroom" is a teachers' resource to support mobile learning in education. It is intended to be complementary to the trainers' course: "How to develop new training resources and teach mobile learning (m-learning)".







1. What Is Mobile Learning

"Mobile learning involves the use of mobile technology, alone or in combination with any other Information Technology and Communication (ITC) to facilitate learning anytime, anywhere" (UNESCO 2013, p. 6).

It is an "educational model that facilitates the knowledge construction, learning, problem solving and skills development, autonomously and ubiquitously, thanks to the medium of portable mobile devices" (BRAZUE-LO; GALLEGO, 2011, p. 17).

Mobile learning can unfold in a variety of ways: people can use mobile devices to access educational resources, connect with others, or create content, both inside and outside classrooms.

The implementation of mobile learning does not replace classroom teaching, but complements it. The most common solution is a "blended learning", or in most cases, the coexistence of both systems in parallel. It facilitates study possibilities and access to content, and promotes new relationships between students and teachers.



Mobile learning also encompasses efforts to support broader educational goals such as the effective administration of school systems and improved communication between schools and families.

Mobile technologies are constantly evolving: the diversity of devices on the market today is immense and tomorrow there will be even more available.



For this reason, we embrace a UNESCO definition of mobile devices, recognising simply that they are "digital, easily portable, usually owned and controlled by an individual rather than an institution, can access the internet, have multimedia capabilities, and can facilitate a large number of tasks, particularly those related to communication".

The presence of mobile devices in formal education systems is growing. The most popular models for mobile learning in schools are:

• **One-to-one (1:1) programs,** through which all students are supplied with their own device at no cost to the learners or their families;

• **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) initiatives**, which rely on the prevalence of learner-owned devices, with schools supplying or subsidizing devices for students who cannot afford them.

The goal of 1:1 programs is to supply every learner with his or her own mobile device – be it a laptop computer, tablet or smartphone. The main barriers are the high costs associated with purchasing and main-taining a device for every student, and the need to work closely with education ministries to ensure effective roll-out.

BYOD programs have economic advantages but the critical issue is that they may widen the digital divide between students from different socio-economic backgrounds. While schools implementing BYOD strategies pledge to provide devices to students who do not have their own, sceptics argue that there is a stigma attached to borrowing school devices.

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2. Mobile Devices To Be Used In Education

Mobile activities are grounded in technological learning materials that connect students to the world outside classrooms and that require them to critically analyze and create content.

Below you can find the description of the main mobile devices.



Mobile phones (also known as cellular phones and cell phones)

They are used to make and receive phone calls and SMS text messages. Most of today's mobile phones have a number of additional features like MP3 player, shortrange wireless communications (Bluetooth, infrared), e-mail, internet access, and a camera. They can be used for group discussions via text messaging or for photography-based projects as well. Students can also record themselves reading stories aloud for writers' workshops or practicing speeches.

eBook readers

Devices designed primarily for the purpose of reading digital e-books and period-icals. They use electronic paper technology for better readability of their screens especially in bright sunlight. The disadvantage of electronic paper is that currently it can display content only in black and white and has no ability of displaying video content. Thus, their fundamental function, is to read books and store entire libraries. They also provide easy access to dictionaries. Many students also use their e-book readers as a replacement for the daily paper, since they can read various editions and magazines on it.

content.

Smartphones

While there is no standard official definition of the term "smartphone" (and it's sometimes hard to distinguish it from a cell phone), we assume that a smart-phone is a device that combines the functionalities of mobile phone, personal digital assistant and computer. It is based on an advanced operating system that allows you to install and run various applications, record audio and video, access the internet, send and receive email and texts. This functionality can easily be channeled into classroom activities and projects.







Notebook and netbook computers

Not everybody considers laptop/notebook and netbook computers a part of the mobile ecosystem. But as they become smaller, thinner and easier to carry around they can be used as mobile learning devices that are generally more powerful than smartphones and equipped with full features of PC computers. On the other hand, they allow full-feature, first generation e-learning without design restrictions typical for mobile





Portable media players (such as iPods and MP3 players)

They are used for storing and playing digital media such as audio, images, video, documents, etc. Their clear advantage is the small size and light weight, but they have to compete in the market with mobile phones and smartphones, as well as other more specialized devices such as portable DVD players. Free lectures and short videos are available for downloading via the iTunes U app, or on the Internet at sites such as Brainpop.com, which has animated educational videos.

Tablet devices and computers



Half-way between smartphone and laptop computer, they take advantage of both kinds of devices. Having a screen big enough for browsing "traditional" e-learning content, they present some limitations (for example, many of them don't support Flash or other formats popular for Web) but also some advantages (like GPS or gyroscope, tactility and portability) over regular computers. Their popularity is growing very quickly and they are likely to substitute to some extent, e-book readers and netbooks. Many schools have started purchasing tablets for their elementary schools, however they're very useful for all learners. Tablets allow the individual active use of screens in class, without "visual barriers" that computers can present to teachers. The operational versatility of tablets, allows a high range of learning activities that allow high levels of active student participation.

This catalogue is not static. Every year new devices are introduced to the market and those which already exist change their parameters and usability features.

3. Mobile Solutions, Tools, Media, Apps

The next step will be the analysis of the main mobile tools, media and apps. The scope of availability is truly vast. It is the teacher's responsibility to choose the most appropriate solution to their educational and training objectives.

Phone call



Can be used for communication between learners and teachers, to ask questions or provide feedback as well as motivational performance support. The advantages are the low cost and ease of accessibility.

SMS



Short text messages are the simplest and cheapest way to deliver small pieces of text-based information and learning content, for example, daily pieces of advice or language lessons alerts and reminders. It works on every type of mobile phone. You can also assess learner's progress asking them questions via SMS.



Existing Content

You can have your existing learning content delivered via mobile devices. Depending on content type and target devices, you can use it "as it is" or adapt





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Social Media

it for mobile browsing. Some may require more advanced devices like smartphones; some (like audio recordings) may be used on wider range of devices; note that visual content requires a bigger screen. Some mobile devices (like iPods or e-book readers) are developed for specific content types.

Existing Tools



There is a variety off-the-shelf apps that you can use for learning, many of them are free or available in freemium model like guizzes and assessments (e.g. Quizlet, Easy Assessment) office applications (e.g. Google Docs, iWork) flashcards (e.g. StudyBlue, Mental Case, Quizlet) location-aware applications (e.g. Foursquare, DoubleDutch, Google Latitude) presentations (e.g.Keynote, Prezi, Slideshare, present. me) file sharing (e.g. DropBox, Box.com, iCloud) note taking and sharing (e.g. Evernote, Springpad) dictionaries (e.g. dictionary.com, Cambridge Business Dictionary).

Devices' Cababilities



You can use your device's features to enhance learning. You can have your learners take pictures of their work (or document problem they encounter and share them with others asking for help), record voice notes for assignment, scan QR codes with information or instructions, or use built-in sensors for data collection.



.ike Share

Mobile Website or LMS

Setting up a mobile version of your website is an easy way to deliver existing content to mobile phones. Even simple phones have a web browser.

Apps

At the moment the most popular way to disseminate the training content via mobile devices is creating a suitable application. There are two main approaches to adopting the education environment to mobile devices: adapting the web version to the mobile devices' requirements or building a native implementation in each compatible mobile phone. Each of these methods has its strengths and weaknesses, but there is also an in-between option.





This can allow the setup of a Facebook group as a community of practice, create a wiki for Frequently Asked Questions or a collaborative knowledge base or use Twitter for fast performance support.



Feature	Native	Hybrid	Web
Explanation of Mode	An application which has to be installed on the user's device to- gether with all included content. Thus it does not require an Internet connection, but any change in the content requires updating or re-in- stallation.	An application which has to be installed on the user's device; how- ever, the contents are downloaded regularly from the online database. It requires an Inter- net connection.	An application which is accessed through a web- site, so nothing is installed by the user. It requires an Internet connec- tion; however, the application itself is not installed.
Constant Internet connection	Not required	Sometimes required	Required
Access	Installation through AppStore, GooglePlay or Ap- pWorld.	Installation through AppStore, GooglePlay or Ap- pWorld.	Access through any www browser with- out the need to install anything.
Creating	Requires the com- plete process of creating the appli- cation. The appli- cation has to be created individual- ly for each platform and placed in the developer service of the operator.	Requires a com- plete process of creating the appli- cation. The appli- cation Has to be created individual- ly for each platform and placed in the developer service of the operator.	Requires designing and creating a mo- bile www service which is shared by each platform, without the need to place anything in the developer service of the op- erator.

The growing number of applications that enhance the teaching and learning process have increased in recent years. This explosion of available apps sometimes makes it difficult to select those that may be more useful. Several educators have begun to categorise these. Some of the most relevant classifications are shown below.

Classification of Apps based on Bloom's Taxonomy (bit.ly/H9YZZB)

- Taxonomy "Remember": the app requires students to recall facts from previously learned material, referencing terms, basic concepts and answers.
- Taxonomy "Analyse": the app supports the efforts of students to analyze data, content and concepts.
- Taxonomy "Understand": the app requires students to demonstrate understanding of a concept.
- Taxonomy "Apply": using new knowledge, students solve problems in new situations by applying their acquired knowledge, facts, techniques and rules in a different way.
- Taxonomy "Infer": the student examines and distributes information into parts by identifying motives or causes. It makes inferences and seeks evidence to support generalizations.
- Taxonomy "Assess": the student presents and defends opinions and provides information, thereby validating ideas or work quality based on several criteria.
- Taxonomy "Create": The app allows students to create a variety of products showing evidence of their learning.





Apps classification based on skills (www.tcea.org/ipad)

• Linguistics: literacy, reading practice, handwriting, pronunciation, grammar, graphic organizers, literature, vocabulary, writing.

• Maths: counting, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, time, money, fractions, decimals, problems solving, logical thinking, graphs, algebra, geometry, calculus, statistics, probability, calculators, reference material.

• Science: Energy and environment, earth science, physics, chemistry, life sciences, animals, human anatomy, space sciences.

• Social Studies: Geography and History.

Sample APPs that are beneficial in education

Smile

gse-it.stanford.edu/research/project/smile



Stanford Mobile Inquiry-based Learning Environment (SMILE) is a research and evaluation program that allows students to design their own research and create questions based on the learning they do in their daily lives. SMILE converts traditional classrooms into highly interactive learning environments that engage students in critical thinking and problem solving; it promotes generation, construction, contextualization and team collaboration. Students can include pictures, videos and audio as part of the process, which provides a multimedia experience. Educators, at all times have access to the creations of students for review and support.



scratched.media.mit.edu

Scratched

matical skills.

Google Apps For Education

tivity-tools

Google has an extensive suite of applications that foster collaborative learning. Documents can be group edited and shared; teachers and students can back up lesson plans, notes, and other materials .

Edmondo

edmodo.com



EDMODO. Unify the classroom within a setting familiar to the students: a social network. Edmodo has tools to help teachers and students collaborate on projects, and the teacher can assess students' learning through quizzes, and then reward good work with badges.



Scratch lets students of all ages create games and animation, as well as master computational and mathe-

www.google.com/intl/es-419/edu/products/produc-



Animation

Audiovisual

production systems

Quizzes and surveys

Just-in-time tools

CHAPTER 3

MOBILE SOLUTIONS. TOOLS. MEDIA. APPS

Animation involves the users and is an interesting form of mobile learning. It can be combined with narration. Compared to videos, it has lower financial costs and is not that complicated when it comes to system requirements. However, different screen sizes of mobile devices, can affect the perception of the animation.

Is based on the availability of recording and assembly devices. The new smart phones and tablets use such devices. The product can then be developed using laptops. It can enrich students' work with their own creations. At the same time, students can learn to improve their communication and media skills.

These are easy to prepare and additionally do not require a lot of space. Using them you can check learning progress, revise the material or increase the participant's involvement in the process of education. The forms can be simple or complex and enable contact with the user. However, in older devices big amounts of text can be problematic to read.

E.g. calculators and dictionaries. Their name reflects the fact that you to use them anytime they are needed. They are particularly useful for specialists, e.g. when they want to have access to specialist knowledge.

Games and simulations

Educational social networks



Digital systems that allow the association of teachers and students, as well as resource and content sharing. These social networks usually benefit from the existence of general social networks but, in recent times, there are emerging specific communities both for teachers and students who act as active groups in the creation or distribution of resources, experience and knowledge. Educational social networks facilitate the exchange, cooperation and development of community spirit and promote participation in joint tasks and content creation, encourage communication between students and teachers and increases student motivation.

These are automatic systems for publishing and distributing information. Some of them work as communities and function as social networks, interest groups and opinion leaders. They can be used as vehicle of expression, creation or development of, for example, projects, workshops, etc. but also presentation of the activities of the group and as a groupclass cohesive. They are a good complement to other cooperative virtual systems.



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Blogs and microblogs

A very fashionable trend which is becoming increasingly popular in the e-learning area. Edutainment is simply the combination of education and entertainment. The games involve the participant in the process, yet there is the risk that education blends in the background. A disadvantage of this solution is the relatively high costs.



eBooks

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The simplest version is a conventional book "translated" into a digital "digitized textbooks"). However, there are digital books that include interactivity, audio, exercises, content creation platforms and provide countless other tools. Some of them allow customization and adaptation to class group, groups of students or an individual student by facilitating the attention to diversity. Some digital textbooks enable collaboration and participation in the production of new content and in some cases facilitate learning and analytical exercise.

These are databases of educational resources (learning objects, lessons, etc.) that can be used in teaching practice. Also open resources that are not strictly educational can support education (for example virtual libraries). They are accessible and free and are really useful in information research and problem solving focused activities.

The participation in virtual classes enables solving the tasks together in groups, access to the same documents and allows communication with the trainer and other participants. Also, virtual or online meetings allow for directly assisting the student, if required. However, it is important that there is a good Internet connection and the participants' are motivated.

New digital educational services

These offer new possibilities for the study, collection and systematization of information, the design of learning tasks, assessment, communication and teamwork.

Learning Management Systems (LMS)

Educational wikis

Cloud computing storage

Websites that can be edited by multiple users and thus become a space that enables the sharing of resources and collaborative creation. They are currently developing many educational wikis in development. Allows a class group to become the creator of a wiki and supports collaborative work.

students.

Located on remote servers which allow storage of data provided by the user. It facilitates the creation of repositories of educational resources and collaborative networking, in addition to the collective resource generation.

Virtual classes

Digital OER



These management systems allow the management of students and the organization of learning goals, activities and sequence. They incorporate and integrate many devices, tools, languages and functionalities that combine learning management and monitoring and assessment contents (Moodle, WebCT, FirstClass, eleven, weclass, etc.). LMS allows teachers to organize systematically the course and student management. It is useful when the classroom level of complexity is high and many of the activities can be done in a virtual way, and is especially good for the management, monitoring and evaluation of



It is the name given to the combination of a direct view of the real environment combining reality with "virtual" information. These tools improve information or increase your environment knowledge. It is a system that allows teachers to guide and improve learning experiences based on direct experimentation, visits and in fact all activities usually outside of class - with a concrete learning purpose.

Digital systems represented - by moving images objects, situations, contexts and processes that are analogous to reality and that the student can, to some extent point, interact. Such systems allow play situations in which the user must act as if it were a real case, but without the risks. There are simulators that can play driving a car, an airplane, or a physical or chemical lab. Simulators are very useful from a pedagogical point of view. They allow reproducing real situations freely and safely; they stimulate trial and error strategy; they help student motivation and involvement in the learning activity.

Interactive video games have proliferated in recent years. The latest generation of such games has the advantage of allowing network participation of many players simultaneously. They allow the presentation of situations, raise the need to address them, to find solutions, testing, so that users can learn from mistakes and rectify them. If the purpose of these games is educational and the system is well constructed, the educational benefits are clear: learning becomes more effective and motivating, allowing active student involvement, strengthening of group learning, etc.

4. Pedagogical Benefits And **Advantages Of M-Learning**

The next step will be the analysis of the main mobile tools, media and apps. The scope of availability is truly vast. It is the teacher's responsibility to choose the most appropriate solution to their educational and training objectives.

Mobile technology can be used as a supportive tool for learning thanks to its main characteristics and properties:

- Ubiquity: enable anytime, anywhere learning. Because people carry mobile devices with them most of the time, learning can happen at times and in places that were not previously conducive to education.
- Flexibility and portability: intelligent mobile devices, many of which are already in the pockets of millions of people, can give students greater flexibility to move at their own pace and follow their own interests, potentially increasing their motivation to pursue learning opportunities.
- Affordable: Compared to other tool cost are lower, it is easy to use and is integrate into students' lives.
- Active and motivating: When learners utilize mobile technology to complete passive or role tasks such as listening to a lecture or memorizing information at home, they have more time to discuss ideas, share alternative interpretations, work collaboratively, and participate in laboratory activities at school and other learning centres.
- Personal: Mobile technologies, by virtue of being highly portable and



Augmented Reality

Interactive simulators

Educational games

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relatively inexpensive, have enormously expanded the potential and practicability of personalised learning. The flexibility to engage in learning at many different times and locations provided learners with 'choice over and ownership of their learning', while the anonymity of mobile devices provided learners with 'a safe, private and non-judgmental environment' to test ideas and make mistakes.

• Allows use of games and Apps and offer multifunction sensors that enrich and support in the learning process.

• Far from increasing isolation, mobile learning allows people increased opportunities to cultivate the complex skills required to work productively with others so they can build new communities of learners and help students pose and answer questions, complete collaborative projects, and, more generally, engage in the social interactions which are the foundation of learning.

• Enhance seamless learning, defined as uninterrupted learning across different environments – including formal and informal settings. Research has resulted in the identification of ten dimensions of seamless learning, which include: formal and informal learning, personalized and social learning, learning across time, learning across locations, ubiquitous knowledge access, physical and digital worlds, multiple device types, multiple learning tasks, knowledge synthesis and multiple pedagogical models.

• Provide learners and teachers more immediate indicators of progress and can make educators more efficient by automating the distribution, collection, evaluation and documentation of assessments. By speeding up or eliminating tedious logistical tasks, educators can spend more time working more effectively and directly with students.

• Minimize educational disruption in conflict and disaster areas. Mobile devices can help ensure the continuation and continuity of education during times of crisis.

• Assist learners with disabilities. Thanks to the integration of text-enlarge-

ment, voice-transcription, location-aware and text-to-speech technologies, mobile devices can dramatically improve the learning of students with physical disabilities.

• Improve administration and communication between teachers and students, teachers and parents, teachers and management, students and student. Allow the creation of new interaction and cooperation systems.



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Depending on the support degree to teacher or student work of the mobile devices, we can identify the following levels, on the inclusion of ICT model developed by Telefonica Foundation:

> Level 1: Mobile phone is used by teachers to support the delivery of their classes through supplementary material: lectures, exercises, videos, podcasts...

Level 2: Students learn through the exercise with multimedia applications that allow them deepen and compare their level of knowledge about a certain content.

Level 3: Students participate in the design and development of a project and uses a variety Apps ICT or tools for the creation, publication and dissemination of content through networks.

Level 4: Students explore tools for group work in the classroom: e.g. Dropbox, calendars and Google Docs to share and work collaboratively; Eduloc, QR codes and Augmented Reality for both indoor geolocation outdoors.

Level 5: Students networking with colleagues from other learning sites using mobile technologies and social networks.



Level 6: Students use mobile phones to learn informally in any place and any time. Not only in learning centres.

Mobile learning enhances as well as supports other educational methodologies that are increasingly being used:

Collaborative learning: It is an active pedagogy focused on shared tasks and teamwork. In this active learning system the student participates actively in the design of the different learning experiences. Therefore, collaborative learning facilitates and stimulates motivation and involvement. At the same time, it empowers teamwork and leadership, as well as dialogue and mutual understanding. The use of digital devices enables this active collaboration or community work.

Project work: Is a pedagogy that requires cooperative work and organized learning processes based on achievement of specific objectives through tasks and progressive steps. It boosts pragmatic sense, problem solving skills, coping mechanisms, specific learning and critical thinking development.

Pedagogical skills approach: A set of knowledge, attitudes and abilities that are configured to enable a person performing a task or a job. Based on this approach, the education system is aimed at increasing the skills of students. This approach is an adequate response to scientific progress against fixed standard content of learning systems. On the other hand, it makes learning more practical and oriented to students' comprehension.

Analytical learning: This type of learning is a specific development of computer-assisted learning or, on occasion, adaptive learning. It is based on the possibility of a user-computer relationship that allows provision of content, exercises or experiences adapted to the user requirements and his/her performance ratio. It is based on the systematic evaluation of student performance and continuous improvement learning strategies based on that assessment.

Learning focused on problem solving: A method that organizes activities in order to solve a problem or barrier that is presented for the





achievement of previous goals. At the same time, it invites experiential knowledge of reality and practical action. This method introduces critical and pragmatic sense. It allows students to learn more about real life and stimulates student curiosity, exploration and motivation. Moreover, it empowers teamwork.

Learning by exploration: This aims to enhance the student's innate curiosity, by facilitating conditions where students can explore reality and experiment with it. It empowers active interest in learning, curiosity, inventiveness, creativity and consequently, the critical sense.

Flipped Classroom: This process creates learning materials and distributes them to students before classes. Thus, the activity in the classroom is not concentrated on the presentation, but in the learning discussion, reflection and exercising the knowledge already acquired or in the solution of specific problems. This methodology changes the traditional order of the classes, proposes to focus the classroom work in practice and problem solving and allows better management of classroom diversity.



GOOD PRACTICES ON M-LEARNING

5. Good Practices On M-Learning

e-Classroom, www.doukas.gr

Country	Greece
Target group	Teacher and students fr
Purpose	Supporting in classroor more creative, pleasant signed applications.
Mobile devices	iPad (tablet device).
Description	Learners are so familiar are able to get hands-o tions and apply them to the art room and film th take pictures and work of their work and just e
Resources	Skills: basic usage of the for teachers and studen agement tools for time creating groups, creatio aging grades, access to management tools for of material and file manage ees; communication Too communication such as ferencing, blogs creatio bution and management submission of homewor and storing the results

Success elements Teaching with an iPad provides effective motivation to learners in order to become more cooperative and creative. The management of information is much more efficient.

Criticities

It can be expensive to equip a classroom with iPads.



rom VET center

n learning to help students learn in a and effective way using specially de-

with the specific technology that they on experience with immediate applicatheir projects. They take their iPad in heir sketches while they create them, over them, make 3-D animated movies mail them.

e Internet and the iPad. Devices: iPads nts. Tools and apps: classroom manorganization, managing the learners, on of statistical learning process, mandigital educational material; content creation and distribution of the learning gement; design of work space of trainols for synchronous and asynchronous e-mail, chat rooms, audio/video-conn; assessment tools for creation, distrint of assessment actions (eg. electronic rk, solving self-assessment exercises in student's electronic files).



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Pinterest, www.pinterest.com Country Greece **Target group** Teacher and students from VET center. Purpose Supporting classroom and outside classroom learning. Criticities Mobile devices Any mobile device: smartphone, notebook – net-book, tablet. Description Pinterest is great for organising vast quantities of information and brainstorming ideas. Its visual nature makes it particularly suited to engaging learners. You can use it to: • Compile content, including educational video; • Organise and store ideas; • Connect and comment on students' work;

- Make connections with other teachers and
- Get ideas for future projects;

Resources Skills: basic usage of the Internet and the smartphone.

Success elements One of Pinterest's main advantages is its ability to save in a visual way, links to resources that you discover on the web (such as interesting articles, images or videos which would be useful for another day) under a relevant topic title. You can even write a note to yourself as a reminder of why you chose this particular resource. This can be particularly useful for teachers when planning lessons and for collating ideas for future lessons.

Pinterest boards can be a great way to collaborate with other teachers. You can share ideas, resources, videos, news articles, infographics and images with students from other learning sites or even other Countries.

Pinterest boards can be used to provide a structured list of resources for students writing about a certain topic rather than

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Students can work together on a group project, putting together a board of ideas and resources, working independently and pinning ideas onto the board to create a group collage. The teacher can then visit the board, leaving comments and feedback on the resources put together.

leave them searching through masses of information.

Every student needs an internet connection outside the class.



Country

Purpose

Target group

Mobile devices

Description

Resources

Criticities

GOOD PRACTICES ON M-LEARNING

Gamification in Education

Success elements The students are engaged immediately as they enjoy the

Education	Mobile apps for adult learners with		
United Kingdom	Country	United Kingdom	
School kids from P4 – P7 (age range 8-12) and Further Educa- tion students (young adults).	Target group	VET students (young adults) further education.	
Support classroom learning activities using external materials via websites and deliver curriculum to students through col- lege Virtual Learning platform.	Purpose	In class and external learnin tional needs using mobile de ment.	
Android and IOS tablets and smartphones.	Mobile devices	Android and IOS tablets and	
In today's digital generation gamification has become a popu- lar tactic to encourage specific behaviours and increase mo- tivation and engagement. Using games which are delivered through mobile devices such as tablets and smart phones the college has developed a programme that strives to encour- age students to learn programming skills through the use of games. The games are progressive and teach kids/students the concepts behind programming in a fun and engaging manner. Devices: Tutor – Tablet/Smartphone for tutors and students. Internet access. Tools and apps: blockly-games.appspot.com The students are engaged immediately as they enjoy the practice of playing games. They interact with their peers and discuss the concepts involved. They learn core programming skills that are relevant to their education. It improves atten-	Description	Smart phones and tablet develophysical, cognitive or sensorinative to specialist hardware range of downloadable apps. Apps can help these learners ies as well as supporting the taking. In addition there are that support students with mortative communication (Alanguage difficulties, by provimages to help them express vices even come with built in a range of options to adapt the example iOS devices have be who are blind or partially signal Voiceover screen reader furgate the web.	
dance and attainment.	Resources	Devices: Tutor – Tablet/Smar Internet access. Tools and ap	
Need of internet connection.		www.apple.com/accessibility	
	Success elements	Students feel included in lest to engaging with tutors and cational experience.	

Criticities

Tutor must be familiar with the using the relevant apps.



additional support needs

with additional support needs in

g support for student with addievices and Virtual Learning Environ-

smartphones.

vices can provide students who have y limitations with a portable altere and software. There are a wide to support successful learning. 's to plan and organise their studem with reading, writing and note a growing number of discrete apps more complex learning needs. One hat support alternative and aug-AAC) for learners with speech and viding them with visual symbols and ss their moods and needs. Many den accessibility features that provide the way that they can be used. For ecome very popular with students ahted because they offer as standard inction, which allows them to navi-

tphone for tutors and students. pps: smart board; relevant Apps (eg. /ios/voiceover).

ssons and can overcome the barriers their peers to maximise their edu-



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Skitch

BaiBoard[®], <u>youtube.com/watch?v=Twd0TDJt9QM</u>

Country	Germany	Country	Germany
Target group	Teacher and students from all class levels in secondary school.	Target group	Teacher and students from
Purpose	Supporting classroom learning and integrating the lesson with		Supporting classroom and
	supplementary materials and media.		homework); integrating the
		Purpose	plementary materials and r
Mobile devices	Tablet and apps: iPad (IOS® or MAC-based).		
			Tablet
Description	Carrying out of the didactical unit "Medieval foundation of the	Mobile devices	
	town" through BaiBoard, that is a cloud based collaboration app		Skitch [®] is a screenshot-to
	that enables users to visualize, create and collaborate on edu-	Description	an existing image or a capt
	cational content, through the use of collaborative whiteboard,		shapes, write on it, draw or
	voice conferencing, document annotation etc. BaiBoard is in-		save it to your Evernote ac
	tegrated with cloud services including Dropbox, Google Drive,		where Evernote is. Faceboo
	iCloud Drive and Evernote. Devices: tablet with relevant apps for		
	each student and teacher.		You can work different less
D	Table and energy W/LANL accepted Decrear for proceeding the re-		• Music: superscript the pia
Resources	Tools and apps: WLAN, possible Beamer for presenting the re-		Geographic: annotate ma
	sults; Padlet [®] , BaiBord [®] , GoogleMap [®] , GoogleDocs [®] .		Mathematics: example of
			German/Languages: expla
	www.BaiBoard.com, itunes.apple.com/us/app/baiboard-collabo-		example.
	rative-whiteboard/id490534358?mt=8.	-	
		Resources	Devices: tablet with used a
Current al amanta	· Callaborative working on one file from several mobile devices		and WLAN. Tools and apps:
Success elements	 Collaborative working on one file from several mobile devices; Working at the same time of time delayed. 		Windows (evernote.com/sk
	Working at the same time or time delayed;	6 1 1	
	 Allows moderation and has function to allow comments. Can cond the results in several file formats: 	Success elements	Easy to use for students the
	Can send the results in several file formats; Carrective administration from tutor moderator or teacher:		As Homework it can easy b
	 Corrective administration from tutor, moderator or teacher; Desumentation: "save as heard" "enables" 		can be shared with class m
	 Documentation: "save-as-board", "snapshots". 	Cristiantian	
Cuiticitico	Tablets in school change the whole school and it concretes a	Criticities	Difficulties in reaching a pe
Criticities	Tablets in school change the whole school and it generates a		concept of lesson.
	need of concept and rules, infrastructure, trainings, communica-		



rom all class levels in secondary school.

and outside classroom learning (e.g. g the lesson of a special unit with supnd media.

t-tool with several features. Using captured new one, you can then add w on it, annotate it any way you like and e account so that it is available everyebook and Twitter are integrated.

- lessons with work sheets:
- e piano keypad;
- maps;
- e of method of calculation;
- explanation of the correction rules on an

ed apps for each student and teacher ops: Skitch in Apple Store or Skitch for <u>n/skitch/?var=c&noredirect)</u>.

s that can learn to use the tool quickly. sy be sent e.g. per mail to the teacher or ss mates.

a pedagogical integration in an overall





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Google Classroom for Flipped Learning, <u>www.maristak.com</u>

Country	Spain
Target group	VET students
Purpose	Supporting outside classroom learning
Mobile devices	Android smartphone.
Description	Flipped classroom is an instructional strategy and a type of blended learning that reverses the traditional educational arrangement by delivering instructional content, often online, outside of the classroom. It moves activities, including those that may have traditionally been considered homework, into the classroom. Students watch online lectures, collaborate in online discussions, or carry out research at home and engage in concepts in the classroom with the guidance of the instruc- tor. The teacher creates some content (preferably video etc.) explaining the lesson (theoretical), and the students work those contents on their own outside product the class. After that, the whole group collaborates on those contents. Google Classroom sends notifications to the students whenever a new activity is published, and makes it possible to follow the lesson using their own smartphone. The teacher can also assess the work of their students (a summary of the video content, for example) using their smartphone as well.
Resources	Skills: basic usage of Internet and smartphone. Devices: teach- ers' and students' smartphone. Tools and apps: Google Apps For Education; Secondary platform for sharing the video contents

applications.

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Success elements Students can choose when and where to take the lesson, and

<u>ty-tools/</u>

(YouTube could also be a valid solution). en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ Flipped_classroom, www.google.com/edu/products/productivi-

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this makes it a very flexible solution. They receive notifications of new activities directly to their smartphones and they can collaborate and learn in group by using their preferred social

Every student needs an internet connection outside the class.





ClassDojo for classroom management, www.maristak.com

Country	Spain		
•		Country	Finland
Target group	VET students.		
Durnese	Managing the classroom, assessing the students and contact-	Target group	Students of wood indust
Purpose	ing parents.	Purpose	Creation of mobile conte classroom learning.
Mobile devices	Android or Apple smartphone.		5
Description	ClassDojo is a classroom management platform for teachers,	Mobile devices	Smartphone or any mobi
·	parents and students. It helps teachers to encourage specific classroom student behaviors, through real-time teacher-to-stu- dent feedback through the web and mobile devices. The soft- ware automatically generates behavior reports that can be shared with parents and students. Behaviours tracked by the	Description	Students prepared electr an exercise. The aim was perform the same exercise would have more time to
	app include hard work, persistence, teamwork, creativity and curiosity.		Each work phase is publi part of the stool. The wor via the QR code. The inst
Resources	Skills: basic usage of Internet and smartphone. Devices: teach- ers' and students' smartphone. Tools and apps: classdojo ac- count; email account. <u>www.classdojo.com</u>		via free online services (structions have been opt them while working is ea The aim is also that the i
Success elements	The student like how positive classes are and are encouraged to participate, teamwork and collaborate. The teacher can see		mobile operating system
	an evolution of student's progress. Easy and direct contact with parents.	Resources	Skills: basic ICT skills.
Criticities	Every student and the teacher needs an internet connection inside the class.	Success elements	The method makes it eas practical work tasks, it is work easier. The method needs to be observed in

Criticities

Preparing the instructions takes quite a lot of time from the students or teachers working on them. Work safety should always be taken into consideration in independent work.



tion.

QR codes in wood industry studies: electronic work instructions for building a stool, <u>goo.gl/wnv3hV</u>

stry (VET).

tent by students, to enhance and support

bile device with a QR code reader.

ctronic work phases for building a stool as as that future students would be able to cise more independently, and the teacher to teach the actual working methods.

blished in a QR code and attached to the work phases for that part can be accessed astructions are implemented and shared a (Google Drive, YouTube, Flick etc.). The inptimised for smartphones, because using easier than using tablets or computers. e instructions can be accessed with any em and in other schools as well.

easy to follow instructions while doing is very illustrative and makes independent od can be used for any instructions that n phases, requiring versatile demonstra-



www.socrative.com

Online work shifts for practical nursing, goo.gl/wnv3hV

Country	Finland	www.sociative.	<u>com</u>
Target group	Students of Turku Vocational Institute, Finland.	Country	Finland
Purpose	Outside classroom learning, use of the tool to train practical	Target group	Students of Secondary, VET
Mobile devices	skills and knowledge.	Purpose	Socrative helps to engage happens.
Mobile devices	Any (smart) mobile device – smartphone, notebook, tablet etc., e-mail address.	Mobile devices	Smart Phones and/or table
Description	Nursing work shift online is a study module in the Practical Nursing curriculum, where the student can perform a part of the work remotely in a "virtual hospital", using a computer or mobile device. There are 7 work shifts per week (based on Roper-Lo- gan-Tierney's model) that are case-based and help the student learn in depth about preparing a treatment plan, supporting daily functions, patient guidance and evaluation of professional competence. The cases copy real-life cases as closely as possi- ble. Information acquisition, patient guidance skills, systematic approach and problem-solving skills are considered essential. A tutor and a teacher will evaluate the completed work shifts in writing, and the student can also refer back to the tasks later on.	Description	Interactive quizzes during a sent out to the students. Te own library of assessments sonal learning network. Th Core standards. Student res as they submit answers to short answer, or open-respondent real- time questioning, result teachers have instant insig they can use class time to b community of learners.
Resources	Skills: basic ICT skills. Human Resources: each student will have a tutor and a teacher evaluating their work.	Resources	Skills: Basic knowledge on es: Socrative is available of
Success elements	The method supports the integration of theory and practical skills. The students found the method useful, as the cases corresponded with practical situations they encountered later. The		Apps, Kindle Apps, Window it accessible in all educatic connection for downloadin
	teacher found that the method made individual support easier to provide. The method can be applied in other subjects.	Success elements	Review student understand whole class overview, stude
Criticities	The virtual hospital is on Turku Vocational Institute server, which may become busy if there are many users. The links for the work shifts can only be sent once, and therefore the links must be saved carefully.		tion-by-question breakdow ed, emailed, or delivered to time. They are also always Socrative.



"Socrative teacher" app and "Socrative student" app,

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age and assess students as learning

ablets.

ing the class made by the teachers and s. Teachers can design and edit their ents and share them within their per-. They can also tag them by Common t results populate the teacher's screen s to multiple choice, true/false, graded esponse questions. Through the use of result aggregation, and visualization, nsight into levels of understanding so to better collaborate and grow as a

e on downloading and using apps. Devicole on iOS Apps, Android Apps, Chrome dows Apps, and all web browsers making cational technology settings; Internet ading the apps; Registration online.

tanding in a variety of report types: tudent-specific results, or quesdown. All the reports can be downloadd to your Google Drive folder at any ays accessible in your reports section of



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Criticities

In the beginning, a teacher might find the creation of quizzes a bit difficult, but there are tutorial videos online that will assist them (www.youtube.com/user/SocrativeVideos). Also, after you have created on quiz, you may also copy/edit it, share it with other teachers, so if this is an app used by several teachers who share their quizzes, then the creation of quizzes will be a much quicker process.

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Aurasma app and study materials with Aurasma, <u>studio.aurasma.com/home</u>

Country	Finland
Target group	Students of Secondary,
Purpose	Classrooms and individ
Mobile devices	Any mobile device, e.g.
Description	Aurasma is a popular a plication that can be u ing augmented reality create and connect dig books and classroom v
	Only a few steps are needed be able to see it in Aur 1.Create an account in 2. Confirm your account 3. Enter Aurasma Studi 4. Choose to "Create an 5. Select the image you 6. Add the video you w 7. Publish it; 8. Print the image 9. Students need to do
	9. Ask your students to
Resources	Skills: Basic knowledg Devices: Aurasma App is possible to downloa iPhones and iPads, and



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dual learning.

. smartphones or tablets.

and cutting-edge augmented reality apused for teaching and learning by creatactivities. It enables teachers to easily gital content such as video to images in walls.

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new Aura"

u want to print;

ish the students to see;

wnload the Aurasma App

add you as a contact at Aurasma.

ge on downloading and using apps. o is available for Android and iOS (8.0). It and it from App Store or Google Play onto d Android phones and tablets version 4.0



and above.

Success elements Easy accessibility; information load can be communicated freely of time and geographical locations; creating an Aurasma is free, as well as sharing it with your followers; it is easy to

create and insert any kind of information; students can access it only by downloading the app into their cellphones and then just point the cellphone at the printed images to start learning.

Criticities Teachers need to have PC and portable devices to create/test the Auras, students need to have a portable device with Aurasma App installed.

QR code scanner app and study materials with QR codes, <u>www.qr-code-generator.com</u>

Country	Finland
Target group	Students of Secondary,
Purpose	Classrooms and individe ly access information or
Mobile devices	Smart Phones and/or ta
Description	The QR code (Quick Res of two-dimension bar co was assigned to it indiv
	The QR codes smartpho modes: • QR code creator/gene
	• QR code scanner/read
	Creation of the learning both QR code application
	In education, the QR cool link a part of the educat by the learners individu
	Examples of using QR c with a link to the correc using QR code as a way topic or having access t bulletin boards; attaching printed material to prov







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sponse Code) is a unique image, a type code that contains the information that vidually.

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g material with QR codes requires using ons modes.

odes could be seen as an effective way to ational material that would be de-coded ually.

codes in classroom: placing a QR code ct answer/help page in a paper test; y of getting more information about the to additional material In posters and ing QR codes to text books and other vide more information e.g. about the



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author or to provide the link to this material online; in Power-Point presentations, inserting a OR code with the link to this presentation so that the audience could download it; attaching the QR codes to the physical objects in class to provide more info about them, etc. QR codes can hold over 4000 characters of information, and thus are an effective means of saving paper and school resources.

Resources Skills: Basic knowledge on downloading and using apps. Devices: QR code applications are available on most of the smartphone/tablet platforms: iOS, Android, Windows, Blackberry

Success elements Easy accessibility; information load can be communicated freely of time and geographical locations; QR codes are easy to create and the Internet and the smartphone markets are full of free tools that help students to create their own QR codes and insert any kind of information; scanning and decoding the content of QR code is easy

Criticities

Teachers need to have PC and portable devices to create/test the QR codes, students need to have a portable device with QR code scanner installed.

6. Plan Your M-Learning Approach

Step 1: Define the learning objective to be achieved

Technology allows the creation of new tasks that were previously inconceivable but it is important to confirm that mobile learning experience really makes sense and provides advantages over other forms of learning.

- What form of mobile learning meets your needs?
- Will you use tools for cooperation, assessment or improving efficiency?
- What actions of the users would you like to evaluate?

Step 2: Assess the current situation

- Who are your users?
 - What mobile devices do they use?
 - What are their main ways of spending time with mobile devices (games, texting, creating and sharing contents, contact with others, browsing the net...)?
 - Are their devices connected to the Internet and if yes, in what way?

Finding the answer to these questions, even if they seem banal to you, is one of the key elements of organising training.

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- What kind of experience have you and your team got?
 - Is there anybody in your school who deals with creating websites or has experience in applications or games?
 - Who will deliver the content?
 - Who will run the training?
 - What competence should these people have?

- Will they need to be trained?
- Will they need additional materials?

What are your resources?

Budget. Have you got all of the training materials required, the suitable specialists, or maybe you will have to buy some elements? Additionally what elements can you buy? What budget have you got and how can you dispose of it? Have you got the funds for the development of mobile learning?

Time. How much time have you got for designing mobile learning trainings, their implementation and the preparation of the evaluation of the first results? Is it enough time for the participants to reach the goals set for them?

Technology. Have you got all necessary mobile devices? Can everyone access them and do they work with JAVA, HTML5 or similar languages?

Content. Have you already got the training material which can be converted to a mobile format? Are the contents suitable for the mobile mode? Who will deliver the required content? Will it be easy to process them into mobile devices? Who will deal with the updating and changes in the content if necessary? What about the intellectual property – who will have the rights to the content?

What are the security requirements?

Define the security requirements.

Step 3: Choose the device which is available for each of your students.

Mobility is a chance, not a barrier. If somebody says, "I haven't got a tablet or a media player", it means they will not be able to use the contents shared in these devices.

To make the choice easier, we should focus on the previous analysis of the current





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situation.

The devices are equipped with lots of options which can be used for learning. Think about which tools and devices (sound and video players, clock, calendar, contacts list, GPS, maps, navigation, Bluetooth, e-mail, browser, text message, phone calls, sound and video recorder, text editor, spreadsheet, social networks, extended reality, detectors) will be most suitable for the training activities that you are planning and make sure that everybody can access them.

We can also choose between:

• Blended learning system: Face-to-face classroom methods are combined with computer-mediated activities;

• 100% mobile learning experience.

Step 4: Build a prototype

Prototyping is an important part of the development life cycle of the m-learning process. This will improve the user experience and if necessary modify the course.

Some basic principles should be adhered to in Mobile Learning content creation:

- Segment information in blocks of less than 5 minutes;
- Simplicity and speed of loading. M-learning access is performed in short times and with a reduced screen, so you should prioritize what's important;
- Include multimedia, audio, video, games, etc.;
- The content must be continually updated, should not be static but include the latest information;
- The delivery has to be colloquial: style should be adaptive. The student considers

his mobile advice as something "personal";

- Include elements of collaboration;
- Include applications.

Step 5: Testing the process

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Testing mobile learning approaches is a key action, which should not be omitted in any case. It is this stage which decides on the success of the training with the use of mobile devices or mobile learning courses. For now, you have the opportunity to check if it meets yours the users' expectations.

It is important to watch the test participants carefully and write down the problems they had, as well as to ask them to comment on the mobile learning process on the spot or after the testing session, in order to correct or modify critical aspects.

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Examples of use of Mobile Learning in teaching:

- Finding information on Internet
- Use of multimedia
- Consultation digital dictionaries and encyclopedias
- Podcast
- Developing material
- Reading digital books
- Listening to audio books
- Note-taking, audio, video
- Taking photos, videos
- File sharing and interaction in social networks

Some suggestion:

Be sure that all students have a mobile device.

Mobile learning should be used as a support to other forms of learning and there should be an interconnection with other learning.

Continuously monitor how the learner experience is proceeding and confirm that the experience fulfills its educational purpose.

Mobile learning should be encouraged contextualised activities nvolving finding information, analysis, organization, etc.

- Access to the online platform where information is stored
- Underpinning exercises and activities
- Educational Apps for curriculum knowledge
- Sending additional information on the subject through mobile devices
- Recording the teacher's explanations
- Recording an experiment
- Editing documents
- Create a library of sounds or images
- And more

Encourage curiosity, initiative and autonomy.

It would be better to start with small experiments and then check its adequacy and efficiency.

Encourage action-oriented activities: the strength of the mobile learning is its portability and immediacy, so this feature should be an integral part.

7. M-Learning Scenarios and **Future Opportunities**

The expected progression of mobile learning approach is propelled by a combination of both technological advances and societal shifts.

From the point of view of technology:

1. Technology will become more accessible, affordable and functional: improved functionality, connectivity and memory at lower costs; increased availability and penetration of 'smart' mobile devices and cloud-based services with advanced functionality.

2. Devices will be able to collect, synthesise and analyse massive amounts of data in the future, devices connected to the cloud will have the capacity to synthesise significantly larger amounts of data and begin analysing them for patterns.

3. New types of data will be available. Devices will 'know' their owners and be intimately and intelligently connected to them, enabling more personalised and contextual learning through mobile technology.

4. Language barriers will be broken down. If translation apps improve significantly, learners will have access to a far wider range of educational resources and content.

5. Screen size limitations will disappear. This could, for example, allow a learner to see a large and detailed image in its entirety or better facilitate long-form reading.

6. Energy sources and power capacity will improve as batteries become smaller, cheaper, longer lasting and faster to charge, and as new energy sources emerge.









In a pedagogical perspective:

1. Changes driven and generated by the technological transformation will be inevitable: everything points to an active, creative, open world class.

2. The classroom activity will be extended beyond the education centers with the help of mobile devices. Extracurricular activities will increase and its educational value will be boosted with new devices and services.

3. The impact of the change will transcend the classroom. This is a change of educational culture.

4. The attitude of teachers and their training will be decisive to exploit the technological advantages and transform pedagogy. The more open to change, the greater its ability to adapt, deepen and increase the rate of development of the change of educational culture. The better the digital competence, the more effective will be the appropriation of new technological resources.

5. The key to educational innovation will be in the coherence between the adoption of new devices, new services and the implementation of new methods.

6. The use of students own digital culture in the classroom will be decisive. Systems

with many limitations and barriers will become dysfunctional. Teachers need to accept certain risks relating to controlling technology as this is part of innovation.

7. Educational communities and collaborative work can be an engine for accelerating innovation. The collective creation of digital resources will be a decisive factor for change.

Education and technology can and should co-evolve in mutually supportive ways. While people tend to think of education as perpetually lagging behind technology, there are numerous instances in which education has prompted technical innovation. For example, some historians argue that Alan Kay's 1968 Dynabook, an early prototype of the laptop computer, came into existence as a means of helping students learn through 'new media'. Ideally technology and education will co-evolve, with educational needs driving technological progress as well as adapting to it.

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8. Useful Links

Professional Development:

Edutopia's "Mobile Learning: Resource Roundup" (<u>Bit.ly/Otjhip</u>) Get Ideas, Advice, And Tools From Educators Incorporating Mobile Devices In Classrooms.

The Mobile Native (Themobilenative.org) Teacher And Blogger Scott Newcomb Shares Classroom Resources And Helps Educators Make The Case For Mobile Learning.

Unesco's Working Paper Series On Mobile Learning, "Turning On Mobile Learning In North America" (<u>Bit.ly/Rhhape</u>) A Comprehensive Report Discusseing Implementation And Challenges.

New Learning Institute (<u>Newlearninginstitute.org/Blog</u>) This Blog Is Sponsored By The Pearson Foundation And Covers The Latest In New Learning.

International Association For Mobile Learning (<u>lamlearn.org</u>) Find Examples Of Digital Initiatives In The Site's "Projects" Section.

Center For Digital Education's "12 Keys To Finding Quality Education Apps" (<u>Bit.ly/</u><u>P5ing1</u>) This Article Can Help You Evaluate Apps For Your Classroom.

Twitter Hashtags - Mine Twitter.com For Tips On Mobile Learning Using These Hashtags: #Mlearning, #Mobilelearning, #Edapps, #Appsforkids, #Slide2learn, #Ipaded, #Ipadchat.

Find Apps And Other Web Tools:

I Education Apps Review (<u>lear.org</u>) Resources Are Organized By Grade And Subject By A Community Of Educators And App Developers.

Appitic (<u>Appitic.com</u>) A Directory Of Apps For Learning By Apple Distinguished Educators.





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