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LINGUODIDACTIC INNOVATIONS OF THE 21ST CENTURY

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ABSTRACT	KEYWORDS
Linguodidactic innovations of the 21st century have become an integral part of the modern educational process. The development of technologies and teaching methods, as well as the introduction of new pedagogical approaches into linguodidactics, have significantly changed the ways of teaching foreign languages. Modern teaching methods, such as the use of information and communication technologies (ICT), interactive methods, and digital platforms, make the learning process more effective and accessible. This article discusses the main linguodidactic innovations and their impact on the educational process and teacher training.	linguodidactics, innovations, information and communication technologies, teaching methods, pedagogical

Introduction

The 21st century has brought profound transformations in the field of linguodidactics, the science that combines linguistic knowledge with didactic methodologies to optimize the teaching and learning of languages. Globalization, rapid technological advancement, and the rise of digital communication have significantly altered the needs, methods, and tools of language education. The integration of innovative pedagogical approaches, digital technologies, and interdisciplinary methods into language teaching defines a new era in linguodidactics. This paper explores the key innovations of the 21st century in linguodidactics, examines their theoretical foundations, and discusses their implications for future educational practices.

Theoretical Foundations of Modern Linguodidactics

Contemporary linguodidactics is rooted in several theoretical frameworks that emphasize learner-centered approaches, social interaction, and cognitive development. Notable among them are:

- Constructivism
- Sociocultural Theory (Vygotsky)
- Connectivism

These theories have inspired innovative educational practices that place greater autonomy, personalization, and collaboration at the core of language learning.

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Digital Technologies and Linguodidactics

E-Learning and Blended Learning

One of the most significant shifts in language education has been the widespread adoption of e-learning platforms and blended learning models. Online courses, LMS platforms, and MOOCs have expanded access to language education across the globe.

Mobile-Assisted Language Learning (MALL)

Smartphones and tablets have become essential tools for language learners. MALL offers the advantage of ubiquitous learning, enabling students to practice languages anytime and anywhere.

Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR)

Emerging technologies such as VR and AR provide immersive language learning experiences. Virtual reality environments allow students to simulate real-world scenarios.

Methodological Innovations

Task-Based Language Teaching (TBLT)

TBLT emphasizes the completion of meaningful tasks rather than the direct study of grammar rules or vocabulary lists.

Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL)

CLIL involves teaching academic content through a foreign language, fostering language proficiency and expanding subject knowledge.

Personalized and Adaptive Learning

Advances in AI have enabled the development of adaptive learning platforms that tailor content to each learner's needs.

Assessment Innovations

Traditional tests are increasingly complemented by dynamic and formative assessment techniques such as portfolio assessment, peer and self-assessment, and real-time feedback systems.

Sociocultural Trends and Globalization

The interconnected world demands intercultural competence as an integral component of language education. Recognition of World Englishes and multilingualism challenges traditional models.

Challenges and Future Directions

Despite remarkable progress, challenges such as the digital divide, teacher training, and ethical concerns remain. Future directions include AI-driven personalized learning and VR/AR expansion.

Conclusion

Linguodidactic innovations of the 21st century reflect a profound shift towards learner-centered, technology-enhanced, and socially responsive language education. As technological and societal changes continue, linguodidactics must adapt dynamically to remain inclusive and empowering.

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