Implementation of Computer Simulation Software in Learning Low-Level Computer Language: A Case Study

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Abstract

- The study is concerned with the assistance of using simulating software in teaching students to learn low-level language.
- ◆ The purpose of the case study is to develop an understanding of the process of how teachers implement this software in the teaching of low-level computer language.

Compare Two Types of Research Method

Quantitative Research Method

- Questionnaires to different schools
- Obtain result
- > Analysis data using SPSS tools
- > Take longer time

Qualitative Research Method

- Choose students for target group and control group in my school
- Obtain result
- Analysis data
- Save time

How I choose my Topic of Research - Narrow down approach

Evaluate a software

Evaluate the effect of software for students

Evaluate an application software for my students

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: a case study

How I choose my evaluation technique?

- Observation
- Literature review
- High-order thinking
- Use of feedback

Methodology

- Lot of related readings e.g. grounded theory
- Research population (target group and control group, age range, male or female)
- Interview questions (before and after, should be related to what I want to find, level of difficulties)
- Design of instruction manual (clear, Chinese, step by step)
- Pretest and protest (should be effective and measurable)

Findings

- Quantitatively
 - Pretest and protest results
- Qualitatively
 - Interviews result (before and after)

Influence

- Physical setting
- Software problem
- Collaborate learning
- Software design
- Gender difference
- Age factor

Summary, discussion and conclusion

- Software is easy to operate
- Arouse students' high-order thinking
- Improve self value
- Create better teaching environment
- Interactive environment
- Provide drill and practice
- Initiate high-order thinking
- Improve students' logic and planning skills
- Raise cooperative learning

Improvement and limitation

- Size of target group
- Analysis performance, reactions, responses, attitudes
- Extend duration of the period of research

