## Student's Perception Roblox and Language Barrier in ESL

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This study explores students' perceptions of Roblox to study English as a

Second Language (ESL). Roblox provides a dynamic platform where players learn

English through chat interactions, game instructions, and teamwork, fostering global

connections that make language practice and cultural exchange easier. A mixed-

method approach was employed, combining questionnaires and interviews.

Questionnaire data were analyzed for validity and reliability, while interview data

were examined using inductive, deductive, and comparative analysis techniques.

Findings reveal that students perceive Roblox positively regarding its impact on

English competence. Participants reported vocabulary improvement through exposure

to new words and phrases during gameplay. However, challenges persist, particularly

in grammar, as limited proficiency often hinders the clarity and precision of

communication. Students highlighted the importance of grammar in ensuring that

listeners effectively convey and understand messages. This study underscores the

potential of online gaming platforms like Roblox as innovative tools for ESL

learning, while also identifying areas for improvement to address language barriers

more comprehensively.

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