CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

This final chapter presents the conclusions and recommendations. These include the conclusions of the research finding, implication of the research, limitation of the research, and the recommendations dealing with the objectives of teaching and learning process.

5.1 Conclusion

The research indicates DST implementation leads to better development of speaking abilities within fifth-grade elementary school students. Students who participate in DST programmes learn to build speaking abilities which include confidence as well as fluency combined with creativity. Descriptive text about student preferences for technology served as an interesting learning context within the project. The participants demonstrated both solid understanding of the DST concept alongside positive project involvement during this study.

The practise of DST faced significant hurdles although some technical problems delayed implementation in this research project. Students showed strong participation towards the activity during its initial period. Several barriers emerged which negatively influenced the research findings. Students encountered two main hurdles when using supporting devices along with challenges uploading their voice files to the DST project. Certain obstacles led to students finishing their work at home while not all students managed to finish within the scheduled time. Among the registered 21 students only 14 managed to complete and transmit their DST projects. Time constraints together with delayed materials and school holidays with continuous exams worked as additional factors that impacted the research results.

Second, the use of DST appeared to foster a more collaborative and interactive learning environment. Students often worked in pairs or small groups, which promoted peer learning and increased motivation. They showed enthusiasm in using technology, which made the speaking class more dynamic and less intimidating. Furthermore, the collaborative nature of DST supported peer learning, as students often worked in groups, shared ideas, and provided feedback to each other.

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Teachers also played a crucial role in guiding and scaffolding the DST

process. Their support in planning, monitoring, and giving constructive input

helped students overcome technical and linguistic challenges. Third, despite the

positive outcomes, several challenges were identified. These included limited

access to digital devices, varied levels of digital literacy among students, and time

constraints in the classroom. Nevertheless, with appropriate guidance and support,

most of these obstacles could be overcome.

The findings suggest that when implemented effectively, DST can bridge

the gap between traditional speaking activities and the digital literacy skills required

in modern education. In conclusion, DST is a promising pedagogical approach in

speaking classes, especially for young learners. It not only enhances language

proficiency but also nurtures creativity, collaboration, and confidence among

students. Future implementations of DST should continue to consider age-

appropriate content, sufficient technological support, and teacher facilitation to

maximize its potential in language learning contexts.

5.2 Implication of the Research

The results of this study can benefit various related parties, including

researchers, teachers, and learners, especially English teachers who are responsible

for teaching language skills to students. By reading and understanding the results

of this study, teachers can find out the effect of digital storytelling (DST) on

students' speaking skills. Teachers can use the DST method to help students

improve their English-speaking skills.

Since this study's results show that digital storytelling positively impacts

students' speaking skills, learners are expected to understand the importance of

English-speaking skills and how to improve them. In addition, teachers need to

provide more opportunities for students to practice their speaking skills through

creative methods such as digital storytelling so that the learning process becomes

more interactive, practical, and relevant to student's needs in the digital era. The

findings also provide implications for curriculum development. Schools can

integrate digital storytelling into English language learning to support the

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development of 21st-century skills, such as communication, collaboration, and

technological literacy.

5.3 Limitation of the Research

This study has several limitations that affect the completeness of the data

and the results obtained. First, the time to complete the digital storytelling (DST)

project was relatively short. This limitation caused some students to be unable to

complete their projects on time, even though the teacher had given reminders both

in class and through the WhatsApp group. Of the 21 students, only 14 managed to

submit their projects, while the rest did not complete them for various reasons,

including final exams and school holidays close to the research schedule.

In addition, interviews were conducted with only six students selected by

the researcher based on their low, medium, and high English proficiency levels. The

researcher chose six students sufficient to obtain diverse views while considering

the students' limited time. The researcher even conducted these interviews in their

spare time. However, not all students who faced obstacles such as being

embarrassed by their voices, fear of making mistakes, and low English proficiency

could be interviewed. This limits a deeper understanding of the challenges faced by

students.

Technical limitations were also a significant challenge. Some students did

not bring their phones to school, so they had to borrow from friends or waited for

their turn to complete their projects. Students encountered technical obstacles

during the voice recording upload to multimedia tool thus interfering with the

process of creating daily sum-up. The analysis of DST implementation suffered

limitations because data collection was compressed in time. The research analysis

included only the immediate effects until the researcher lacked the ability to

evaluate potential enduring consequences on student English language progression

deeper.

5.4 Recommendation

A series of recommendations stems from the research results that would

benefit upcoming research initiatives and educational instruction methods. Future

investigations need to study how digital storytelling (DST) affects student speaking

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abilities both short-term and long-term. Research examining DST effectiveness

needs to evaluate its performance across educational levels and teaching settings to

maximise its practical usefulness.

The number of meetings within DST-based learning should be increased

according to recommendations. Extending the number of sessions in DST-based

learning enables students to master process understanding and achieve better

speaking practise while improving their project outcomes. Teachers will offer

enhanced support to students requiring additional guidance thus enabling each

learner to benefit from this method when allocated more instructional time.

Future studies need to analyse the difficulties students encounter since some

students experience challenges with their speaking skill development. Extensive

interviews of these students through questioning would reveal obstacles which

include technical barriers and confidence problems and vocabulary limitations.

Knowing specific barriers would help instructors and scholars create enhanced

learning approaches that conform to students' precise requirements.

Education institutions must establish solid technological assistance for DST

implementation to achieve success. Educational institutions should supply students

together with teachers through essential equipment along with applications and

instruction that establish an integrated learning structure. Future research would

benefit from investigating the performance of alternative DST tools and platforms

which enhance student participation as well as educational results.

The study of DST implementation needs additional investigation across

different educational environments consisting of diverse grades and students with

varying language skills. Annulating DST methods to accommodate different

student learning types will enhance researchers' perspective on its ability to be a

functional and creative practise for teaching speaking skills. Future research which

adopts these proposed guidelines will produce better understanding of how to

maximise DST techniques to enhance student English language speaking

development.

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