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ABSTRACT

Google Docs provides characteristics that can be used to promote peer interaction. However, the use of Google Docs as teaching and learning media is rarely conducted and still limited to teaching writing in Indonesia. One of the lecturers in Bandung implemented Google Docs in her translation class. Google Docs is commonly used by translator to translate collaboratively. The students worked together in a small group to solve and discuss the translation assignment by using some features through Google Docs. These activities are expected to enhance collaboration among them. Based on the following statement, this study is aimed at investigating students' perceptions and experiences of using Google Docs in the translation class. This study employed qualitative case study as the research design of the study. Questionnaire was used as the instrument to collect the data. This study involved eighteen participants (N=18). The findings of this study showed that that the implementation of Google Docs in translation class could enhance collaboration between students. It indicates that Google Docs is a suitable tool that can be used for educational purposes to promote collaborative learning in class.

Keywords: Perception, Google Docs, Online Collaborative Tool, Translation Class, Collaborative Learning

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