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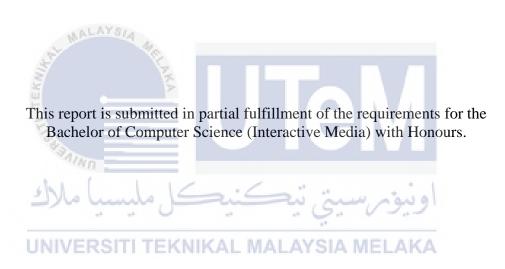
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#### **ABSTRACT**

According to this blog, Rock Content Writer, it defines that interactive eBook is an eBook that have elements with which your audience can directly interact. This type of content has a lot of touchpoints where the reader can interact among videos, audios, link and other interactive content. An interactive eBook is a portable and shareable file with resources such as audio, animations, quizzes, widgets, interactive question and polls and all inside the eBook. eBook has the potential to enhance how readers or learners absorb their content and provide an excellent way to start a conversation with your audience, gain their trust and make them more engaged with your output. For this, interactive eBook is developed to give some tips and techniques on how to engage learner in an online learning. Some best ways are provided in the eBook, so lecturers and teachers can use the eBook to engage learner in an effective online learning. The methodology that applied on this project is multimedia project development process that consists of three phases which are pre-production, production and post-production. The effectiveness of this eBook has been tested by 20 users including teachers, lecturers and students. They research and evaluate in terms of multimedia. The results show that this project has been achieved the objectives and this eBook is effective to use. The research gives perceptiveness regarding what an eBook is and the benefits, drawbacks, techniques and structure for using it as a guideline.

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#### **ABSTRAK**

Menurut blog ini, Rock Content Writer, ia mentakrifkan bahawa e-buku interaktif adalah e-buku yang mempunyai unsur-unsur yang dapat ditonton oleh penonton anda secara langsung. Jenis kandungan ini mempunyai banyak titik sentuh di mana pembaca dapat berinteraksi antara video, audio, pautan dan kandungan interaktif lain. e-buku interaktif adalah fail mudah alih dan dikongsi dengan pelbagai elemen multimedia seperti audio, animasi, kuiz, widget, soalan interaktif dan sebagainya. E-buku berpotensi untuk meningkatkan bagaimana pembaca atau pelajar menyerap kandungan yang disampaikan dan memberikan cara terbaik untuk memulakan perbualan dengan khalayak ramai, mendapatkan kepercayaan mereka dan menjadikan mereka lebih memahami. Untuk projek ini, e-buku interaktif dibangunkan untuk memberi beberapa cadangan dan teknik unutk melibatkan pelajar dalam pembelajaran dalam talian. Beberapa kaedah terbaik disediakan dalam e-buku ini, jadi pensyarah dan guru boleh menggunakan e-buku ini untuk melibatkan pelajar dalam pembelajaran dalam talian yang berkesan. Metodologi yang digunakan untuk projek ini adalah proses pengembangan projek multimedia yang terdiri daripada tiga fasa iaitu pra-pengeluaran, pengeluaran dan pasca-produksi. Keberkesanan e-Buku ini telah diuji oleh 20 pengguna termasuk guru, pensyarah dan pelajar. Mereka meneliti dan menilai dari segi multimedia. Hasilnya menunjukkan bahawa projek ini telah mencapai objektif dan e-Buku ini berkesan untuk digunakan. Penyelidikan ini memberikan persepsi mengenai apa itu eBook dan faedah, kekurangan, teknik dan struktur untuk menggunakannya sebagai garis panduan.

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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

FYP - Final Year Project

eBook - electronic Book

ADDIE - Analyze, Design, Develop, Implement, Evaluate

IDs - Instructional Designers



#### **Chapter 1: INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 Introduction

Agreeing to Vawn Himmelsbach (2019) innovation in education may make the learning session more intelligently and collaborative. This will offer assistance students to connected more profoundly with the course material since these days' students are exceptionally lock in with innovations and contraption.

An eBook is a book publication made available in digital form consisting of text, images or both. It is readable on the flat-panel display computers or other electronic devices. This eBook is friendly that it can be downloaded for all types of operating system such as windows, android and iOS. eBook contains some interactive elements such as video, audio, images, 3D object and others.

Adobe InDesign CC2021 is used to develop this eBook. It contains several features that can be used to provide an interactive eBook that will attract users. One of the features is it can skin the system with own design either using the template or modify one to come a new skin. Then, it can preview and emulation. The pages and interactivity of the system can be test by previewing each page independently. Other than that, it is easy to drag and drop interface by inserting the videos, images and media elements by dragging the files directly into the page. Interactive elements also can be added such as video, audio, 3D animation, gallery and slide show, answer and action buttons and others.

#### 1.2 Project Background

There is a general perception or misconception that online learning is not effective compared to face-to-face learning. In fact, there is a way on how to make an

online learning to be surprisingly intimate and immersive. In this eBook, there are 4 chapters that will explain and provide strategies for online practitioners who are looking for new ideas to enhance their online learning.

According to Joshua Stern, online learning is an education that takes place over the Internet. It is often referred to as "e-learning" among other terms. However, online learning is just one type of "distance learning" - the umbrella term for any learning that takes place across distance and not in a traditional classroom.

Agreeing with Chloe West, an interactive eBook is an eBook that has various elements that audience can interact with. Instead of a digital product filled with words and images, eBook can include even more, like videos, links, audios and other interactive elements.

This project focuses on educational that connected within the electronic book called eBook. The reason why the project is developed to give some ideas and tips for teachers and lecturers on how to engage student in an online learning. This eBook can be downloaded and used for any types of operating system. So that, all the devices can download this eBook and use it anytime, anywhere they want.

This eBook allows teachers and lecturers to gain ideas and learn some techniques that have been provided. This eBook can be downloaded in all machines, no just limit to only one. It will not be a problem for all the users who want to use this eBook.

#### 1.3 Problem Statement

There is a general perception or misconception that online is not effective compared to face-to-face for online learning. This is maybe because the way of conveying the information is not suitable with some situations.

Some teachers and lecturers who are teaching online, they use lecture notes that only have fully text with some static images. Sometimes, they just read the notes before explained. This may cause the students to easily feel bored with the notes full of text.

Some teachers and lecturers do not have ideas on how to conduct in online teaching. Sometimes, they just record video lectures and hoping for the students to watch the videos of the explanation. This cause students not to understand that such a mode of delivery. Moreover, if the notes are only fill with writing. There is also makes two ways communication cannot be happened.

Lack of appropriate materials and resources. It will cause teachers or lecturers to survey more on the materials or tools they want to use for online learning session. For those who does not have any experience in doing online learning, it will be more difficult for them to explore more about it.

#### 1.4 Objective

The objectives of developing this project are:

- a) To explore the features of the Adobe InDesign that can be used to develop an eBook.
- b) To develop an interactive eBook on Engaging Learners in an Online Learning.
- c) To measure user satisfaction on using an interactive eBook.

#### 1.5 Project Scope

The main target audience for this eBook are community especially for the teachers and lecturers where they need this to teach their students through online in some fun ways. The eBook can be downloaded through their smartphone, tablet or any

other devices. It is so easy for them to use the eBook at anywhere and anytime they want.

This eBook contains some multimedia elements that make it more interactive. User can use this eBook to get some techniques on how to engage students in an effective online learning. Some techniques and tools were shared to give some information to the users. This eBook is only cover on how to engage learners in an online learning.

#### 1.6 Project Significance

The significance of this project is to improve and to help teachers and lecturers to enrich their teaching skills in online class. With this interactive eBook, they can use the content that have been created in the eBook to be applied in their online class.

This project moreover allows teachers and lecturers a modern involvement and unused learning environment where they utilize innovation in their online learning. They can use many tools that are suitable with certain situation when in online learning.

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#### 1.7 Expected Outcome

The eBook will give some benefits especially for lecturers and teachers to create strategies for efficient delivery of the lessons, ensuring an uninterrupted learning journey for the students. This eBook will be one of their guides to prepare for online learning.

The eBook will enhance users to understand more about the content and give lots benefits to teachers or lecturers and also for students. With the presence of interactive elements like audio, video and other features can helps users in getting the information.

The eBook will help teachers and lecturers to get some techniques on how to make an effective online learning. The eBook can help teachers and lecturers to easily get interested in doing something online with the features provided in the eBook.

#### 1.8 Conclusion

In conclusion, the eBook was developed to engage learner in an online learning. This project is about on how to give some ideas to the teachers or lecturers to enhance their students in online learning. It is focuses on educational that connected within the electronic book called interactive eBook. eBook is friendly that it can be used in all types of operating system. So, it does not be a problem for users to download the eBook unless if they do not have any devices.



#### CHAPTER 2: LITERATURE REVIEW AND PROJECT METHODOLOGY

#### 2.1 Introduction

The literature review might be a chapter that grant diagram of some open theories related to the field of think about and offer help answering the questions. This study is required in organize to have a broader see and more profound understanding with respect to the existing system.

#### 2.2 Domain

ezTalks says, today online learning, likewise called as e-learning, is another form of teaching. It is a distance learning training system where the progressive Internet innovation is used to encourage the instructor to teach the intrigued students. They oversee student instructor cooperation's and convey course materials online. The students do not have to go for their classes physically but just signing on to their system gives them enough motivations to think about. It sounds awesome and that is the reason a large portion of the students who cannot select ordinary physical courses pick online school training.

The traditional idea of learning has profoundly changed and developed after some time. Customary showing by means of classrooms has offered the approach to educating in an online situation. These days, learning has turned out to be more online driven that considering courses being created keeping the individual learning styles and needs. There are different kinds of online learning models that teachers and lecturers can use to engage their students. Each of this type is fully and well featured. They have their own advantages and disadvantages. For this eBook, it only focuses on three types of online learning which are synchronous, asynchronous and hybrid.

This project is outlined for teachers and lecturers or any instructors who are looking for a way to conduct online teaching or learning in more effective ways. This eBook will give some introduction about online learning, some tools to conduct online learning ad some tips to attract students' attention in online learning.

#### 2.3 Existing System

 YouTube: Engaging Learners For An Online Session by Prof. Abd Karim Alias.



Figure 2.1 YouTube on Engaging Learners for an Effective
Online Session-

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EAaYk3Nv\_yA&t=31s

YouTube on Engaging Learners For An Online Session is being recorded by Prof. Abd Karim Alias. Prof was provided techniques on engaging learners but in video. There are many multimedia elements in the videos, but users cannot interact with the elements.

Furthermore, users can choose which videos they want to watch, but they have to finish each of the video to get the output from the videos. Video is quite boring because users just only hearing what the presenter are talking.

#### ii) Google Sites: Engaging Learners In An Online Session



Figure 2.2 Google Sites: Engaging Learners In An Online Sessionhttps://sites.google.com/view/engagingstudentswithcontent/home

Google Sites on Engaging Learners In An Online Session are connected with Prof. Abd Karim Alias. There are multimedia element but users cannot interact with.

#### 2.3.1 Comparison of the Application

Table 2.1 shows the comparisons between the current and proposed books.

System	Proposed system:	Existing system:	Existing system: Google
	Interactive eBook on	YouTube Video On	Sites On Engaging
	Engaging Learners In An	Engaging Learners In An	Learners In An Online
	Online Learning	Online Session	Session
Platform	Digital platform Adobe	Digital platform	Digital platform Google
	InDesign	YouTube	Sites
Target user	- Community	- Community	- Community
	especially lecturers		
	and teachers		
	- Anybody who		
	wants to use this		
	eBook as reference		
	for their guideline		
	to conduct online		
	learning		
Price	Free	Free	Free
Features	- Have interactive	- Videos	- Has videos
	elements	- Have multimedia	- Has multimedia
	- The color used is	elements but users	elements but
	interesting	cannot interact	cannot interact
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	make it more	- Have presenter	
	interactive	that might cause	
	- Have videos and	users to easily	
	animation	getting bored of	
		just hearing	
Strength	- Provide an	- Provide videos	- Provide videos,
	interesting	and full of content	text and also
	techniques and	about the topic	images
	ideas on how to		
	conduct online		
	learning		