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What is a VLE?

A Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) is a system for delivering learning materials to students via the web. These systems include assessment, student tracking, collaboration and communication tools. They can be accessed both on and off-campus, meaning that they can support students' learning outside the lecture hall 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This enables institutions to teach not only traditional full-time students but also those who cannot regularly visit the campus due to geographic or time restrictions, e.g. those on distance learning courses, doing evening classes, or workers studying part-time.

There are different types of VLE, which all work slightly differently but ultimately perform the same function and can deliver the same learning materials. A Higher Education institution is likely to have a licence for a VLE that fits into any one of the following three categories:

- off-the-shelf, such as Blackboard or WebCT
- open source (often free to use and adapt but support is charged for), such as Moodle
- bespoke (developed by institutions for their own individual needs)

VLEs are also known as Course Management Systems (CMS) and Learning Management Systems (LMS), among other names.

There are some international standards associated with VLEs which help to make content and assessments interoperable (i.e. they can be used in different types of VLE). The standard for content is called 'Sharable Content Object Reference Model' (SCORM) and the standard for assessments is called 'Question and Test Interoperability' (QTI).

SAY IF THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES ARE TRUE OR FALSE:

- 1) The web is an essential tool for a Virtual Learning Environment T
- 2) Students can access a Virtual Learning Environment 24 hours a day everyday T
- 3) Moodle is a completely free Virtual Learning Environment F
- 4) Content and assessments can't be used in different types of VLE F

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ANSWER IN SPANISH

- 1) What is a VLE? What do they include?
- 2) What are the advantages of a Virtual Learning Environment?

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RE- READ THE TEXT AND EXTRACT (state line number)

- 1) 2 Connectors. Translate them (except and/or) ✓✓
- 2) 2 compound nouns ✓✓
- 3) 1 word with a prefix. Translate it ✓✓
- 4) Words with suffixes: noun: adverb:

(4)

CONTEXTUAL REFERENCE

- 1) Those (line 4) refers to students
- 2) Which (line 7) refers to different types of VLE
- 3) their own individual needs institutions

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TRANSLATE THE FOLLOWING NOUN PHRASES

- 1) Sharable Content Object Reference Model'
- 2) students' learning
- 3) their own individual needs

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RESPUESTAS:

SAY IF THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES ARE TRUE OR FALSE:

1. True ✓
2. True ✓
3. True ✗
4. False ✓

ANSWER IN SPANISH

1. VLE es un Ambiente de Aprendizaje Virtual, es empleado para entregar material de aprendizaje a los estudiantes por medio de la web. Este sistema permite realizar evaluaciones y seguimientos a los estudiantes; además es una herramienta de comunicación que permite colaborar con otros usuarios. ✓
2. Las ventajas del VLE se encuentran en la libertad que se brinda, la de poder compartir contenido, aportar dudas e interactuar sobre estas en un horario que esté a disposición de cada usuario desde cualquier lugar. ✓

RE-READ THE TEXT AND EXTRACT (state line number)

1. Such as → tales como (Ln10). But → pero (Ln7) ✓
2. Communication tools (Ln2). Time restrictions (Ln5). ✓
3. Interoperability → interoperabilidad (Ln18). ✓
4. Noun: management (Ln13). Adverb: regularly (Ln5). ✓

CONTEXTUAL REFERENCE

1. Students. ✓
2. VLE. ✗
3. Institutions. ✓

TRANSLATE THE FOLLOWING NOUN PHRASES

1. Modelo de Referencia de Objeto de Contenido Compartido. ✓
2. Aprendizaje del estudiante. ✓
3. Sus propias necesidades individuales. ✓