

Tell us what you think about the future of language learning

We live in a time where the present becomes an unknown past. The near future comes with a very fast speed, while the distant future seems like fiction, but becomes nonfiction.

I mean that it is very hard to recognize current changes while we want to wonder about the future. People make this world beautiful and with time more and more so. Life is an unceasing change. We need to adapt to changes faster and faster. In this reality, the Johann Wolfgang von Goethe quote, "He who moves not forward goes backward" takes on greater significance.

Currently, we are able to learn a foreign language with anyone on the internet. Its power is still not fully understood. This has created facilities for students and teachers.

Teachers can teach remotely from anywhere. They could manage a blog, or a website, or teach on platforms like Italki. They are free from bosses like agencies or school networks. This approach requires more responsibility from teachers. The teachers need to prepare lessons, schedule their calendars, create concurrent offers for students, and care for their brand to sell themselves as attractive.

Meanwhile, students can choose the teacher they want. Students have a lot of teachers to choose from. This makes it easier to match a student with a teacher.

The corroboration between a student and a teacher is easier. Scheduling, payments, and communication platforms are behind the scenes. I believe that is only the beginning.

In the near future, I think that lessons could be created by a teacher that are more personalized than those powered by e-platforms (e-tools). Platforms could learn students' progress through machine learning mechanisms and provide tips for a teacher to help the student. Machine learning could help measure students' progress and show statistics to motivate them. What has the student learned? Where has he made the bigger progress? What does he need to improve to boost his language?

Platforms could provide tools that help to create material for student lessons and, after the lesson, homework. Tools will be very advanced in technology. Prepared material will be supported by suggestions. Finally, teachers will be responsible only to choose the best way to teach a foreign language to a student. Technology will be able to read sounds from our mouths with very good microphone perception, this will be an easier way to correct pronunciation.

Alongside technology growth, knowledge about learning is still being developed. We know more about how to learn more productively and how to make our learning faster. I'm sure this knowledge will be constantly shared with technology and system solutions.

Of course, language learning will penetrate other industries like games, movies, relationships, work, sports or cookies. If we only would allow integration with another industry, it would be easier.

In my opinion, even the reality of what I've written seems for me really abstract, but we know that this is happening now. What will the distant future look like then?

I believe that the advancement of technology will be so large that learning will be easier. I think that we could move our lessons to virtual reality, for example, to learn a foreign language from its country of origin. I think that it could even provide an implant to our brain that corrects our thoughts in real-time.

These changes will all make our learning, like teaching, easier. We will be making progress faster. Maybe it will motivate us to get to know a foreign language more, and its culture? Will more knowledge about a foreign language bring us closer to other people? Will we understand their culture better? Will we feel more comfortable in the whole world? Will each place be closer to our hearts? I believe that this future is probable.