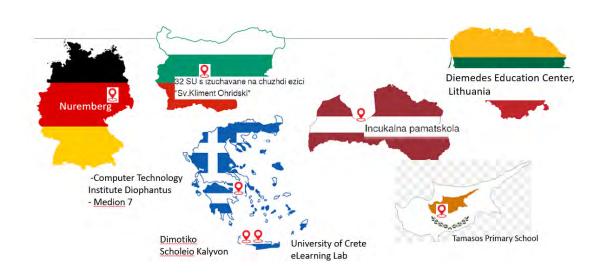






Intelligent iLearning-eCreativity-eDiversity

RESULT 2 Interactive Content under the principles of distance learning (i Content)



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PART A

1. Description of the Interactive Content under the principles of distance learning (i Content)

The designing of an Interactive Content & Educational Material under the principles of distance learning (i-Content) should be based on pedagogical principles, the understanding of learning material and the set learning goals, and definitely, the awareness of the way advanced learning technologies can contribute to attaining these goals. The designing of i-Content requires special attention, as we need to adhere to DE principles when we develop the teaching material, plan our teaching strategy and decide on the combination of the technological means to support the attainment of the set learning goals In the proposed designing we follow the basic principles which should determine an Interactive Content to the methodology of the American Distance Education Consortium (http://www.adec.edu).

- A distance learning material, being in multimedia form, should be regulated by clear learning goals and focus on pre-defined expected outcomes, considering the special characteristics and needs of students within the context of an open, flexible and student-centered approach The student should be encouraged to actively participate throughout the learning course, associating learning by doing, learning by reflection, case-learning study and learning by exploring. Relating learning goals with real life learning experiences consists a major priority.
- The educational material should combine the use of ict in order to attain the set learning goals considering the different learning styles of students. The selection of the ict tools depends on the nature of content, the access to technology of the learning group and the general educational philosophy of the teaching staff.
- The educational material should encourage interaction among the human resources by ensuring the appropriate conditions and actively supporting the development of communities which share common interests with the aim of achieving collaborative learning. Strong emphasis is placed on interaction, as it is regarded as one of the fundamental factors to achieve the learning objectives. The proposed interactive environment implements the theory of three types of interaction (Moore, 1989) and that of Paulsen's methodology (1977) Teachers of all levels and disciplines will acquire new knowledge and enhance their ICT Skills and their English language skills.

The University of Crete co-ordinated the whole effort: Interactive Content under the principles of distance learning (iContent), Principles of pedagogical Design of i-content, implementation methodology, and finally to build up up the evaluation methodology of the environment focus on the following points:1. Policy: The data are not publicly viewed but only by the entity

managing the IeSLE R3 2. Open source philosophy: In essence, this means that every learning entity can adapt it to their particular needs / demands. 3. Principles: [1]. Establish and maintain Regular Effective Contact. [2]. Create opportunities for student-centered learning. Principle. [3]. Create opportunities that have practical real world applications. [4] Provide support for each student's learning process and autonomy. [5] Ensure all course content is readily and easily accessible to all students.

The Protypa Diktya Polymeson took charge of the integration with IeSLE R3.

The teachers from Partner schools studied the Interactive Educational Material (iContent) during the Blended training course and then reviewed it highlighting the positive aspects and recommending improvements.

2. The IEM (iContent) Modules and Topics

Module 1	Introduction to iLCD Project (based on APF
	Result 1)
	Introduction to iLCD Project
	Introduction to iLCD Project: A Case Study
Module 2	Digital Storytelling
	Introduction to Digital Storytelling
Module 3	Introduction to Stop Motion Animation
	Introduction to Stop Motion Animation
	Kdenlive Tutorial for Animation I
	Kdenlive Tutorial for Animation I
Module 4	Create a website
	Build your Website
Module 5	The e-me4all environment
	How to Create a Hive in e-me4all
	Adding members in a Hive
	Conducting a poll in e-me4all
	The wall of e-me4all
	Filesharing in e-me4all
	The portfolio of e-me4all
	The e-me4all assignments tool
Module 6:	The Use of Augmented Reality in Education
	The Use of Augmented Reality in Education
	Creating an account and and a new AR
	project
	Uploading and adding assets to an AR project
	Preview an AR project

3. Evaluation of the IEM (iContent)

Evaluation form of Interactive Educational Material (IEM)		
	AVERAGE	%
1. The writing style of the interactive educational material is reader-friendly. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,769230769	95,38%
2. The language of the interactive educational material is simple and easy to understand. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,846153846	96,92%
3. The amount of information in the interactive educational material is satisfactory. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,846153846	96,92%
4. Navigation within the interactive educational material is easy. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,769230769	95,38%
5. The interactive activities of the Interactive Educational Material provided supportive feedback during my study. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,615384615	92,31%
6. The interactive educational material regarding iLCD project was complete and explanatory. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,692307692	93,85%
7. The interactive educational material regarding the methodology of the iLCD project (online interactive collaboration between schols/classes/pupils) was complete and explanatory. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,615384615	92,31%
8. The interactive educational material regarding digital storytelling was complete and explanatory. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,769230769	95,38%
9. The interactive educational material regarding eme platform was complete and explanatory. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,538461538	90,77%
10. The interactive educational material regarding Augmented Reality was complete and explanatory. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,692307692	93,85%

11. The interactive educational material provided support during the implementation phase of iLCD project. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,461538462	89,23%
12. The interactive educational material relates theory to practice. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,692307692	93,85%
13. I will use the knowledge and skills gained by studying the interactive educational in other projects as well. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,307692308	86,15%
14. I will recommend studying the interactive educational material to colleagues. (1=Not at all, 5=Very much)	4,461538462	89,23%
15. In your opinion, what are the strenghts of the interactive educational material?		

Simplicity

The IEM was explanatory and presented in segments.

You can reach it from anywhere, any time.

It can be used by many students and colleagues

Long distance learning in you own pace

n your opinion, what are the strenghts of the interactive educational material.

More interesting

Useful

The possibility to join children around the world.

Provide us new tools, ideas, knowledge and interaction in the learning process.

The collaboration between teachers and pupils

Friendly for users

16. In your opinion, what improvements would you	
recommend?	
	1

More enhancement

More interactive activities.

no ideas.

No

None

I have nothing to offer. everything satisfied.

Nothing.

I think everything is good, everything is working.

I am satisfied with the educational material. No improvements for me is necassary.

None

It needs to be more related with the daily school life

4. How to access the IEM (iContent)

IEM can only be accessible to those who are interested in studying the Course: Erasmus+ Intelligent Learning – eCreativity – eDiversity. In order to do so, they need to request access to edivea2@edc.uoc.gr.

For auditing purposes one needs to follow the next steps:

Go to IeSLE (Result 3): https://ielse.edivea.net/

Login with USERNAME: ielse-demo@edivea.net and PASSWORD: demouser12345

Click on the Course "Erasmus+ Intelligent Learning – eCreativity - eDiversity"

Select one of the available Learning paths on the list to view the Interactive Educational Material: Result 2: Interactive Content under the principles of distance learning (i Content)

PART B

PRINCIPLES OF IEM (iContent) DEVELOPMENT

EDIVEA e-labs' Framework for Material Design

- The framework describes principles of effective learning using technological tools to:
 - motivate students
 - encourage interaction
 - facilitate deep processing
 - promote meaningful learning
 - provide support during the learning process

Theoretical Principles for Material Design

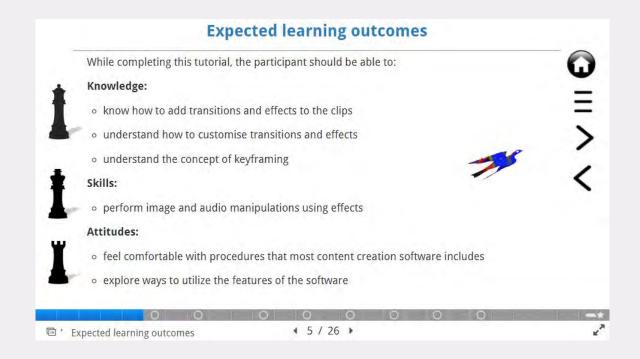
 The main theories suggest models showing the important learning components that should be used when designing content and activities.

Behaviorist Learning Theories – Implications for EM Design

Learning is an observable change in the behavior of the learner that originates from external conditions. (Thorndike, 1913, Pavlov, 1927, Skinner, 1974)

- Students should be told the explicit outcomes of the learning.
- The learning materials must be sequenced appropriately to promote learning.
- Students must be tested to determine whether or not they have achieved the learning outcome.
- Students must be provided with feedback so that they can monitor how they are doing and take corrective action if required.
- Online testing or other forms of testing and assessment should be integrated into the learning sequence to check individual learners' achievement levels and provide appropriate feedback.





1 Introducing accessibility and disability

With the use of computers and the web becoming widespread in most parts of the world, many disabled people now could potentially have better and more independent access to information and communication. New technology developments can make this access easier, but they can also raise new barriers. These barriers can often be removed by considering the needs of disabled users when designing and implementing electronic or online educational materials.



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Learning outcomes

1.1 Why is accessibility important?

1.4 Usability and accessibility



Figure 5 Smiley face

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In general terms, and business terms, it is good practice to make a product available to as wide a market as possible. A design that incorporates the requirements for disabled students is likely to be more accessible and useful for non-disabled students than a design without such consideration. To design something (eLearning materials, for example) with the needs of disabled people in mind is termed 'accessibility'. To design something to make it as easy to use as possible by all potential users, regardless of what impairments they may have or what assistive technologies they may use, is termed 'usability'.

In practice, when designing eLearning materials, the goals of both are broadly similar. But consider one rather silly example to highlight the difference: a page of white text upon a white background could be 'accessible' to blind users, because their screen-reading technology will recognise the text. However it is hardly 'usable' by most people (and inaccessible to other groups of disabled people too). So in that case the person creating the white-text-on-white-background material could be accused of ignoring usability in favour of one very narrow aspect of accessibility. Similarly McNaught, Evans and Ball (2010) found, when testing ebook delivery platforms for accessibility with a range of disabled users, that certain tasks (such as finding and opening a particular ebook title) could sometimes technically be achieved by vision-impaired students using screen reading technology (so one could argue the process was accessible) but that in some cases it took over 150 key presses to get there (and so one could argue the process was not usable in any practical sense — particularly when a sighted person could get there with less than a dozen mouse clicks).

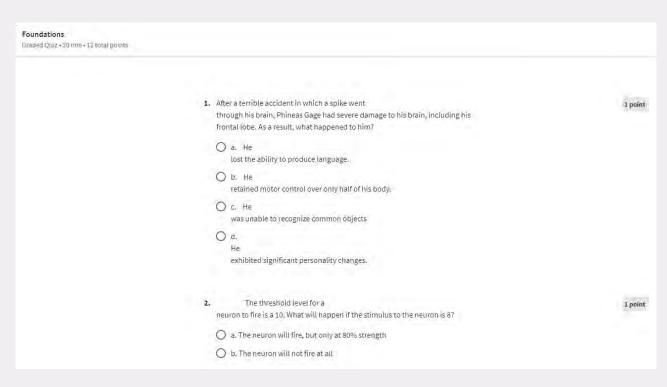
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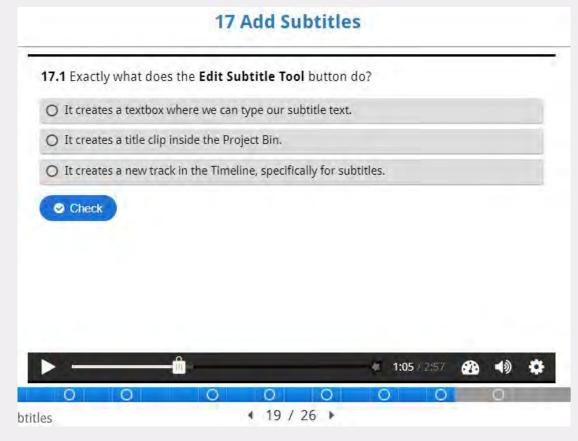
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1.3 The ethical and legal imperative for accessibility

Quizzes



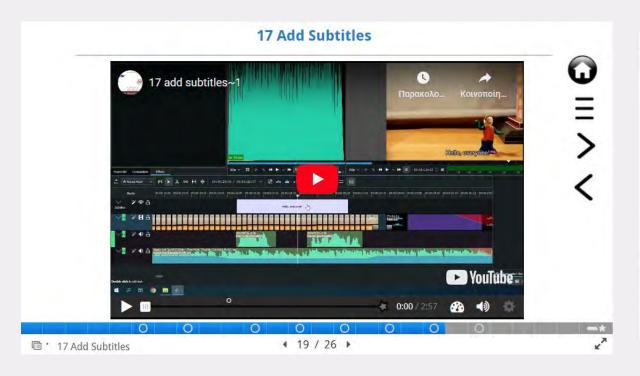


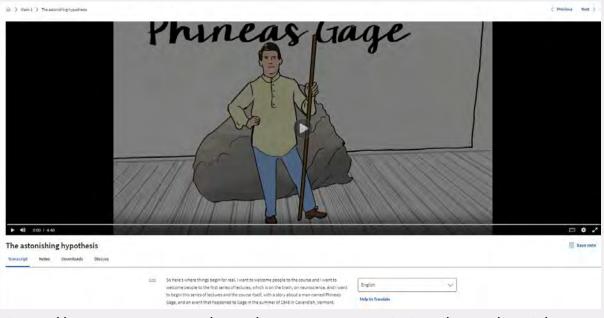
Cognitive Theory – Implications for EM Designs

Learning involves different kinds of memories, motivation, and thinking.

(Craik & Tulving, 1975, Ausubel, 1974)

- Strategies should be used that require learners to apply, analyze, synthesize, and evaluate to promote higher-level learning
- A variety of learning strategies should be included in online instruction to accommodate individual differences and learning styles
- Strategies should focus on attention, relevance, confidence, and satisfaction for motivating learners during learning
- Strategies that facilitate the transfer of learning should be used to encourage application in real-life situations (simulations and real-life applications)





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2.1 Communication aids



Figure 8 An example of a Voice Output Communication Aid

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Communication aids are devices to enable those with little or no recognisable speech to communicate with others. In terms of access to eLearning these are usually pieces of hardware or software that enable regular devices to provide communication. They can produce spoken output (or spoken and text together – often called VOCAs – Voice Output Communication Aids) from text entered by the user themselves, either via a keyboard or by selecting symbols to build sentences.

This video clip a shows a communication aid user talking about using these devices.



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2 A brief overview of assistive technology

2.2 Screen readers



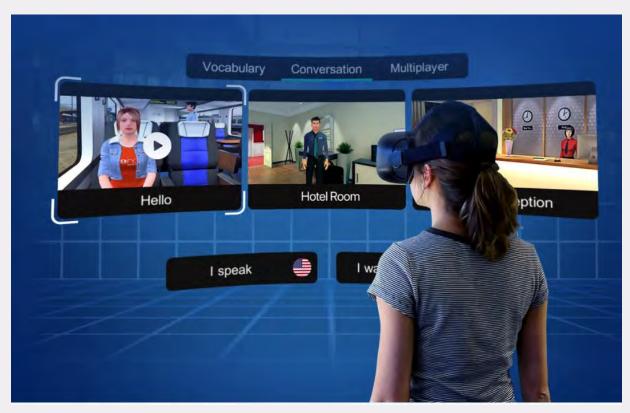
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- 1. Αφού παρακολουθήσετε με προσοχή και τις προσωπικές μαρτυρίες, εντοπίστε τα σημεία που κατά τη γνώμη σας αναδεικινύουν τα χαρακτηριστικά της Ανοικτής Εκπαίδευσης.
- 2. Την απάντηση σας μπορείτε να την δημοσιεύσετε στο προσωπικό σας ιστολόγιο (blog) στο LSN του ΕΔΙΒΕΑ

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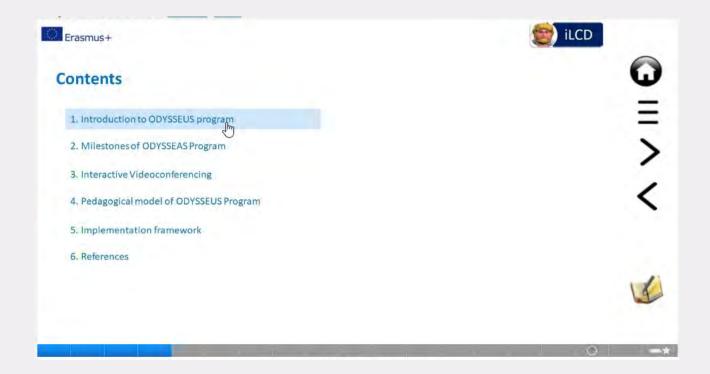
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Constructivism Theory – Implications for EM Designs

Learners interpret and encode the information based on their perceptions and experiences.
(Cooper, 1993, Wilson, 1997)

- Learners should be given control of the learning process
- Learning should be an active process.
- Learners should construct their knowledge.
- Learners should be given time and the opportunity to reflect.
- Learning should be interactive to promote higher-level learning and to help develop personal meaning

Navigation buttons



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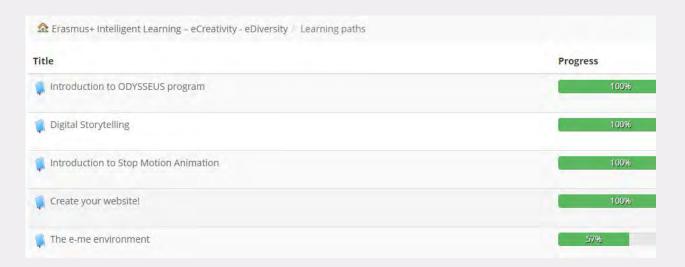
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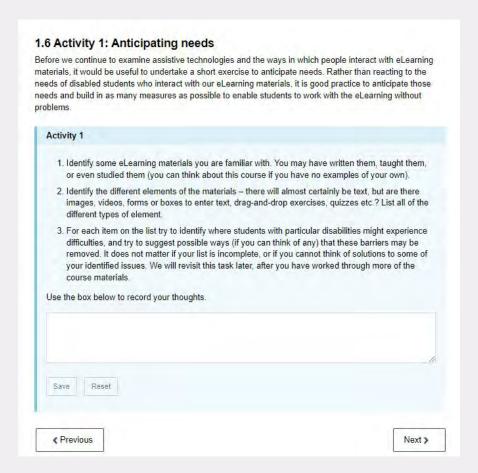
Learning paths





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Open type activities



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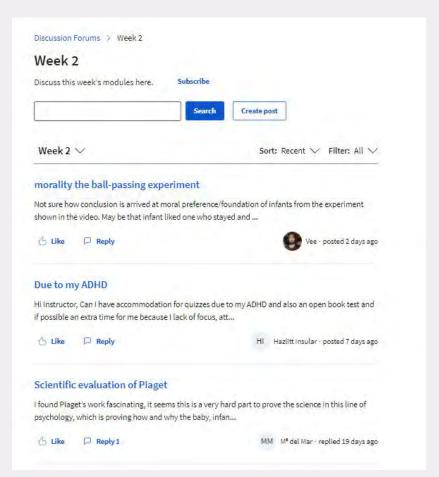
Connectivism Theory – Implications for EM Designs

Connectivist theory is for the digital age, where individuals learn and work in a networked environment.

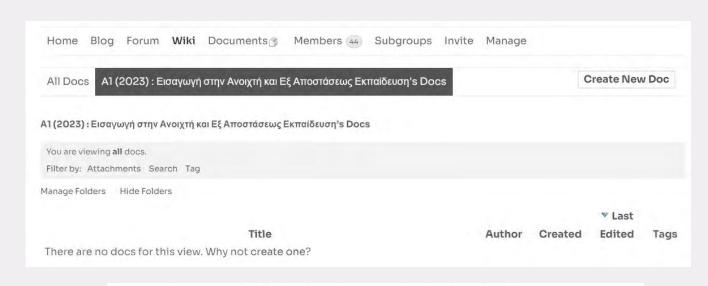
(Siemens, 2004)

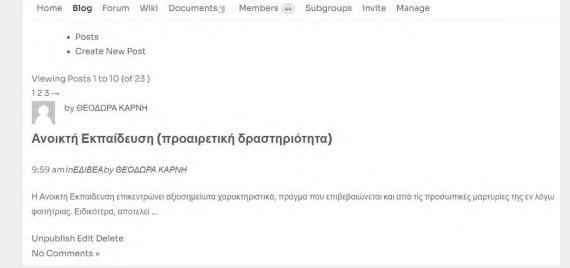
- Learners should be allowed to explore and research current information.
- Learners must be allowed to connect with others around the world to examine others' opinions and to share their thinking with the world.
- Learning should be delivered in a multi-channel system to deliver the learning materials to facilitate learning

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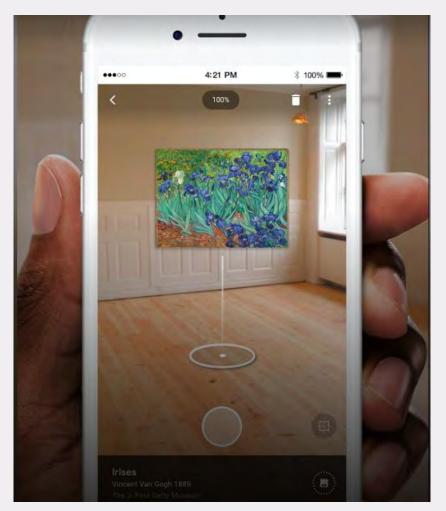




AR apps



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Distance learning theory

Principles	Implications for Multimedia Learning Design
Rowntree's model	 Clearly stated objectives
(1994)	 Advice about how to study the material
	 Friendly, "You" & "I" style of writing
	 Shortish chunks of learning
	 Fewer words than usual per page (or screen)
	 Plenty of examples
	 Quoted remarks from other learners
	 Illustrations used where they are better than words
	 Heading to help learners find their way around
	 Links to other media where appropriate
	 Relating the material to learners' needs
	 Activities that get the learners to do something
	Space for learners to write down their ideas

1. The e-portfolio app of e-me



The e-portfolio is a personal folder that collects and enhances the promotion of the skills and achievements of each student or each teacher and supports their self-presentation.





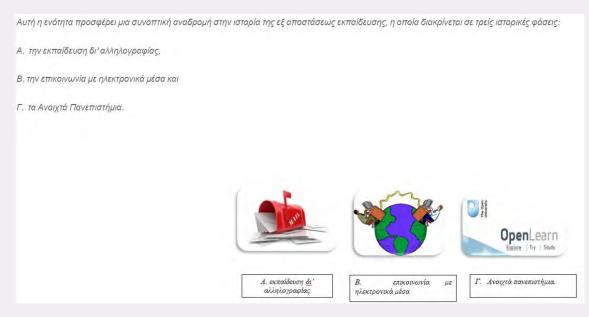
The basic idea of the e-portfolio of e-me is for each student or teacher to have the opportunity to select, organize and maintain what he considers important, such as representative assignments, achievements and to project them (or not) to other members of e-me.



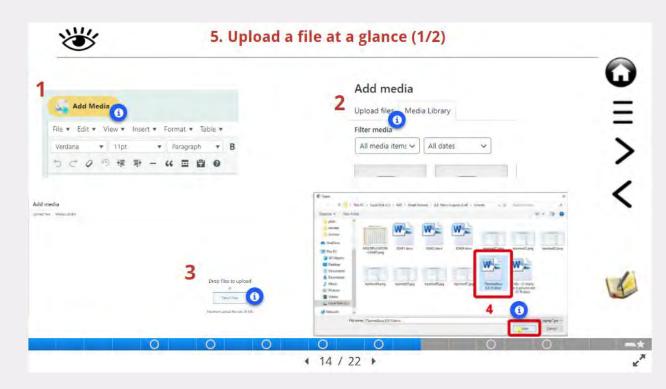


Mayer's Multimedia Learning Theory

Principles	Implications for Multimedia Learning Design	
Multimedia Principle	 People learn better from words and pictures than from words alone 	
Pre-Training Principle	 People learn better from new lessons when they have pre-requisite knowledge 	
Signaling Principle	 People learn better when cues that highlight the organization of the essential material are added 	
Spatial Contiguity Principle	 People learn better when corresponding words and pictures are presented near rather than far from each other on the page or screen 	
Temporal Contiguity Principle	 People learn better when corresponding words and pictures are presented simultaneously rather than successively 	
Segmenting Principle	 People learn better from a multimedia lesson is presented in user-paced segments rather than as a continuous unit 	
Personalization Principle	 People learn better from multimedia lessons when words are in conversational style rather than formal style 	
Redundancy Principle	 People learn better from graphics and narration than from graphics, narration, and on-screen text. 	
Modality Principle	 People learn better from graphics and narrations than from animation and on-screen text. 	
Coherence Principle	 People learn better when extraneous words, pictures, and sounds are excluded rather than included. 	

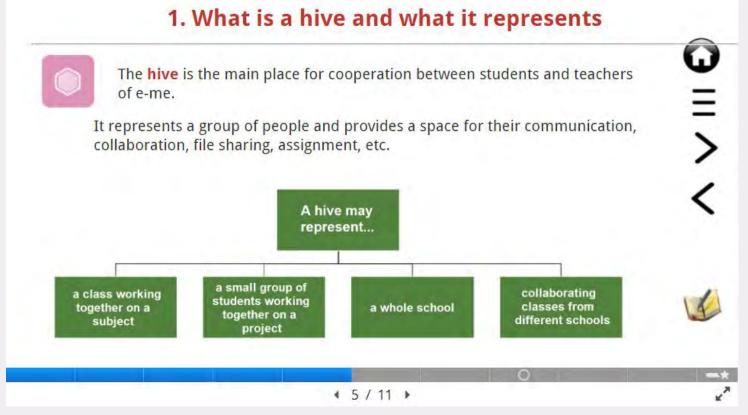


Multimedia Principle example



Signaling Principle example





Temporal Contiguity Principle





called VOCAs - Voice Output Communication Aids) from text entered by the user



The wall includes posts and comments. This is the content that the members of a hive create and publish utilizing the capabilities of the built-in word processor. The posts can incorporate files of any type, images, audios, videos, presentations, hyperlinks and other multimedia material, learning objects from Photodentro, interactive exercises created using the eme content etc.











Key aspects of e-learning methodology

Educational materials design should be sophisticated in the use of different types of media and levels of interactivity

LearningContent

Digital content resources such as PowerPoint presentations, documents, and audio and/or video files.

LearningActivities

Quizzes, assessments, drag & drop, multiple choice, true/false or knowledge checks that are an essential component of the learning process

