Evaluating the Effectiveness of E-Learning Tools in Improving Urdu Comprehension: A Study on Online Resources and Apps

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	This study examines the role of e-learning tools in ornamental Urdu comprehension skills. With the growing adoption of digital platforms for language learning, it is essential to assess their effectiveness. The research aims to investigate how these tools impact learners' comprehension abilities, identify the key features of online resources and applications that facilitate learning, and explore learners' attitudes towards using such tools. A descriptive study design was used. Population of the study was consisting of all 30 students of HSSC from Bahria College Naval Complex Islamabad. A self-structured questionnaire was used as a research tool. For better result, researcher conducted interviews from the respondent to get detail information for the research purpose. Collected data were used for analysis. PI Power was used for data analysis. The study is significant for school, college and university students in urdu subject and overall for urdu teachers. By analyzing data from surveys, interviews, and comprehension assessments, this study seeks to provide insights into the benefits and challenges of digital Urdu learning platforms, ultimately contributing to the development of more effective language learning technologies.

Introduction

The advent of digital learning has revolutionized education, making it more accessible and interactive. Urdu, being a widely spoken language, requires effective comprehension tools for learners at various levels. Traditional learning methods are gradually being supplemented or replaced by digital solutions, which claim to enhance comprehension through multimedia,

interactive exercises, and AI-driven personalization. This study seeks to critically assess the effectiveness of such tools in improving Urdu comprehension.

Objectives

1. To investigate the impact of e-learning tools on Urdu comprehension skills.

2. To identify the key features of online resources and apps that contributes to improved Urdu comprehension.

3. To explore learners' attitudes and perceptions towards using e-learning tools for Urdu comprehension.

Research Questions

1. To what extent do online resources and apps improve Urdu comprehension skills among learners?

2. What are the most effective features of e-learning tools in enhancing Urdu comprehension?

3. How do learners perceive the usefulness and ease of use of online resources and apps for Urdu comprehension?

Significance of the study

1. Addresses the need for effective language learning tools in Urdu.

2. Contributes to the existing body of research on e-learning and language acquisition.

3. Provides insights into the potential of e-learning tools in improving language comprehension skills.

Limitations

1.   Limited sample size and geographic location.

2. Focus on Urdu language only.

3. Dependence on self-reported data from learners.

Related Literature

Integration of ICT Tools in Urdu Education

This study explores how Information and Communication Technology (ICT) tools enhance language teaching effectiveness in Urdu medium schools, highlighting improvements in vocabulary acquisition and reading comprehension.

Impact of Blended Instruction

This study examines how blended learning affects Urdu language learners' reading comprehension and finds that this teaching approach significantly improves reading comprehension.

Digital Learning Platforms' Effectiveness

Through interactive exercises, the study evaluates the efficacy of many digital platforms that offer structured Urdu language training in enhancing reading skills.

Language Education with Mobile Learning

With an emphasis on accessibility to real materials, this study examines how mobile learning can improve university students' understanding of Urdu.

Using Gamification to Learn Languages

Studies show that rolling online learning materials into games originates better operation outcomes for U

Virtual reality enhances the process of learning new languages through its application.

Virtual reality environments provide Urdu-speaking cultural experiences for students who need better understanding of Urdu language reading and comprehension.

Making Use of Multimedia Materials

Educational materials combined with multimedia allow Urdu language education programs to increase student engagement which results in better student achievement.

Collaborative Learning Online

The analysis demonstrates that when Urdu scholars participate in peer interaction features of online collaborative educational environments their reading comprehension advances.

Electronic Portfolios for Evaluation

Digital portfolios create an evaluation method for Urdu second language students that increases their motivation levels and understanding of the language.

Interactive Online Courses

The development of interactive e-learning modules designed for Urdu instruction produces better student retention results along with improved student participation.

The following subsection explains factors that impede the deployment of e-learning solutions.

The research investigates various barriers that teachers encounter when they attempt e-learning resource implementation for Urdu education.

Cultural Aspects of Language Acquisition

Knowing and applying cultural elements forms the basis for effective e-learning strategies to instruct Urdu because this study evaluates digital information from cultural perspectives.

Electronic learning methods receive extensive research investigation in order to measure their operational efficiency.

Extensive research reports that students who maintain e-learning resource use develop lasting improvements in their Urdu reading abilities.

E-learning Tool Training for Teachers

This study focuses on educational programs for enhancing teacher learning of e-learning technologies because inexperienced application of these tools needs trained pedagogical experts. Students Show Their Point of View Regarding Educational Resources That Use E-Learning Technologies

The research reveals Urdu language learners' thoughts about e-learning platforms so that better educational plans can be developed.

The research uses information and communication technology (ICT) instruments to evaluate efficiency in Urdu-language education at schools. According to the research data ICT technology enhances student reading ability and speaking skills while teaching new words. E-education resources serve as valuable tools which most teachers regard useful for the development of engaging educational spaces.

The research examines mobile computers' techniques for boosting Urdu education for university students. The analysis investigates how these devices modify student capabilities in speaking, reading and listening as well as additional language competencies. Mobile devices offer personalized training features in addition to authentic educational materials accessible to students.

Study data reveals that e-learning as a method leads to better performance results across every academic subject. Modern educational methods require adjustment since instructional approaches must match educational requirements of the present day.

The researchers evaluate changes in Urdu second language acquisition through blended learning by testing student reading comprehension levels. Multiple instructional approaches lead to significant advancements in reading abilities based on research findings.

Methodology

Research Design

Mixed-methods approach, combining both quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis methods.

Participants

30 learners of Urdu language, aged 16-18, with varying levels of proficiency.

Data Collection

- Pre- and post-tests to assess Urdu comprehension skills

- Surveys to gather information on learners' perceptions and attitudes

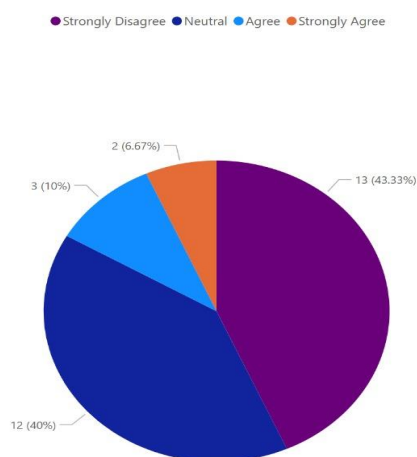- Interviews with learners to gather qualitative data.

Research Instrument

Researcher used a Questionnaire as a tool was used on toEvaluating the Effectiveness of E-Learning Tools in Improving Urdu Comprehension. Tool comprises fifteen questions. Data has been entered in BI Power. Analysis of data has been done by using BI Power formulas.

Experiment and Result

Data was collected from the students of Bahria Collage Islamabad. Data was collected through questionnaire.
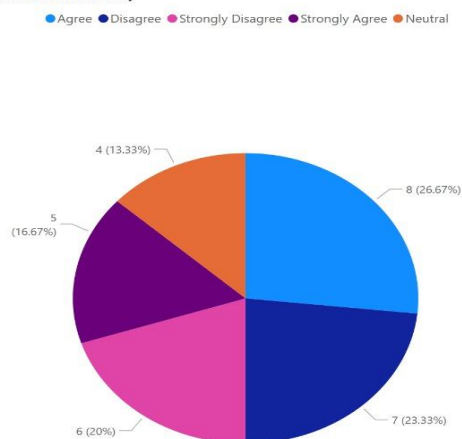
Has using e-learning tools impacted your ability to understand urdu text?

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● Strongly Disagree ● Neutral ● Agree ● Strongly Agree

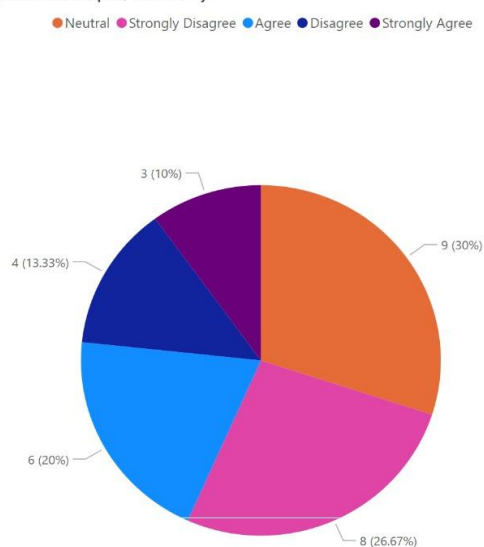| Options	Counts
Agree	3
Neutral	12
Strongly Agree	2
Strongly Disagree	13
Total	**30**

It is easier to comprehend urdu content through digital platforms compare to traditional methods?

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● Agree ● Disagree ● Strongly Disagree ● Strongly Agree ● Neutral

| Options	Count
Agree	8
Disagree	7
Neutral	4
Strongly Agree	5
Strongly Disagree	6
Total	**30**

Specific feature of e-learning tools have helped you in improving urdu comprehension (quiz, videos).

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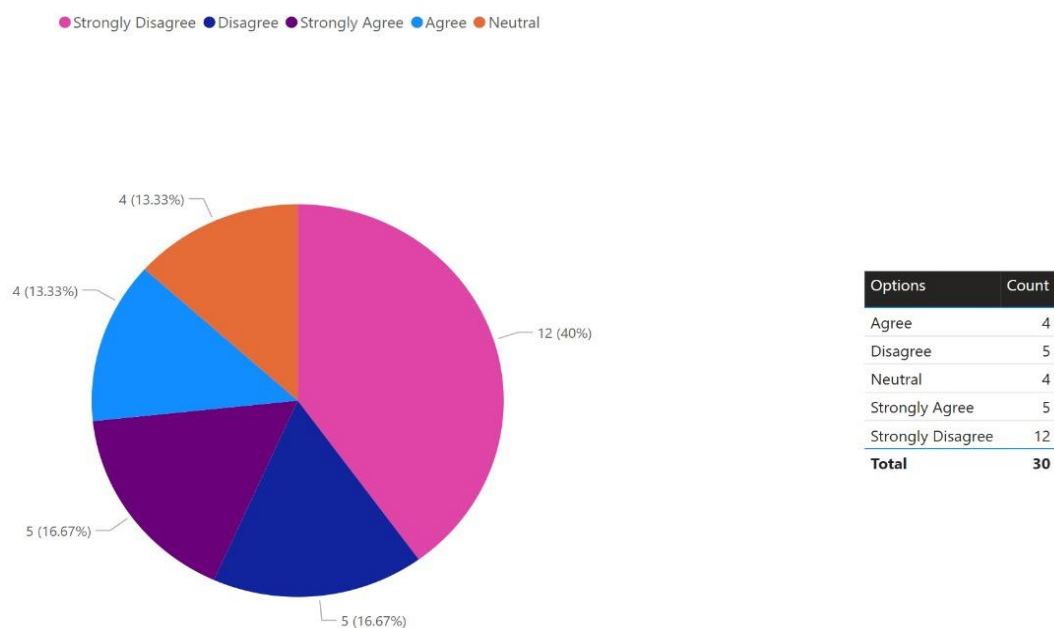
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Options	Count
Agree	6
Disagree	4
Neutral	9
Strongly Agree	3
Strongly Disagree	8
Total	**30**

Your vocabulary in urdu improved due to e-learning to a great extent.

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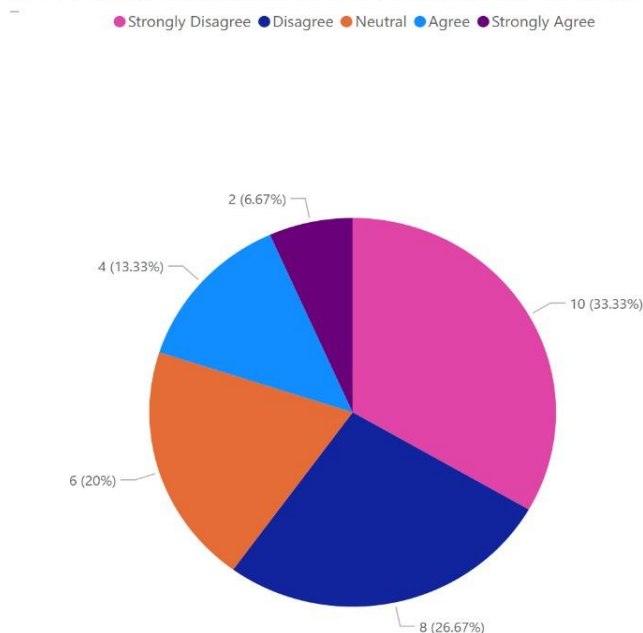
Options	Count
Agree	4
Disagree	8
Neutral	6
Strongly Agree	2
Strongly Disagree	10
Total	**30**

Some feature of e-learning platforms is the most useful for urdu comprehension (e.g interactive lessons, games or discussion forums)?

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● Strongly Disagree ● Disagree ● Strongly Agree ● Agree ● Neutral

Options	Count
Agree	4
Disagree	5
Neutral	4
Strongly Agree	5
Strongly Disagree	12
Total	**30**

Do you think multimedia elements (audio,video,animations) in e-learning apps enhance your understanding?

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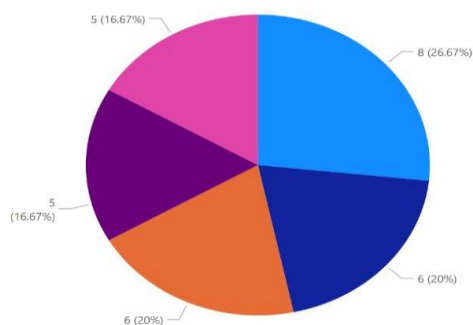● Strongly Agree ● Strongly Disagree ● Agree ● Neutral ● Disagree
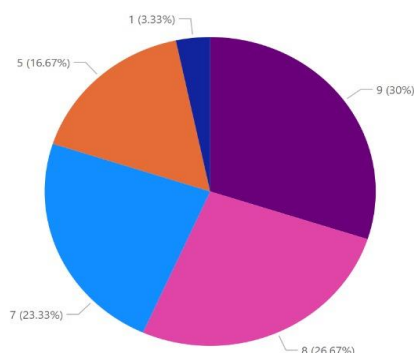
Option	Counts
Strongly Agree	9
Strongly Disagree	8
Agree	7
Neutral	5
Disagree	1
Total	**30**

8.Regular progress tracking and feedback are important in improving your urdu comprehension using e-learning?

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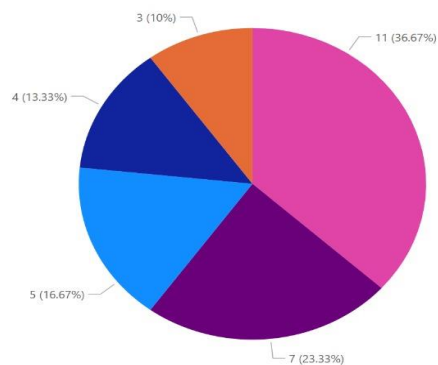● Agree ● Neutral ● Strongly Disagree ● Disagree ● Strongly Agree

options	Count
Agree	8
Disagree	5
Neutral	6
Strongly Agree	5
Strongly Disagree	6
Total	**30**

Gamified elements (e.g quiz, challenges) in e-learning apps are useful in retaining urdu concepts?

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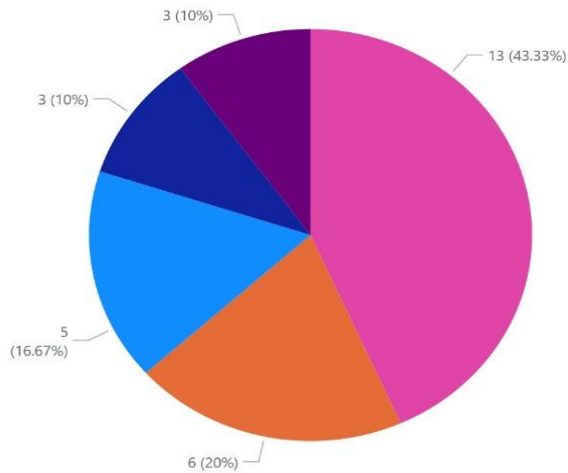● Strongly Disagree ● Strongly Agree ● Agree ● Disagree ● Neutral

Options	Counts
Agree	5
Disagree	4
Neutral	3
Strongly Agree	7
Strongly Disagree	11
Total	**30**

You are justified with the quality of content (text, exercise, explanations) provided in the urdu e-learning platforms you used?

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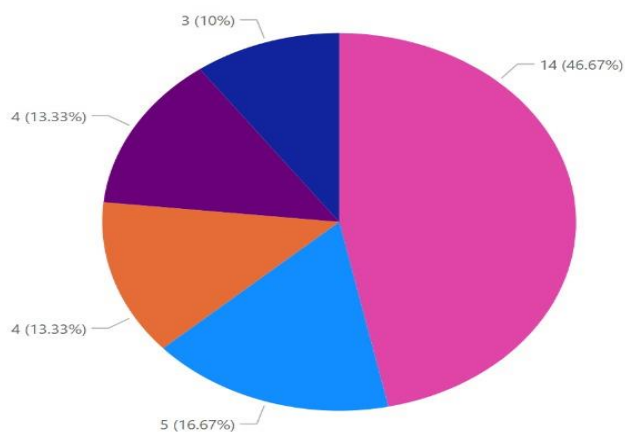
● Strongly Disagree ● Neutral ● Agree ● Disagree ● Strongly Agree

Options	Count
Agree	5
Disagree	3
Neutral	6
Strongly Agree	3
Strongly Disagree	13
Total	**30**

You feel highly motivated to learn urdu using e-learning tools compared to traditional classroom settings?

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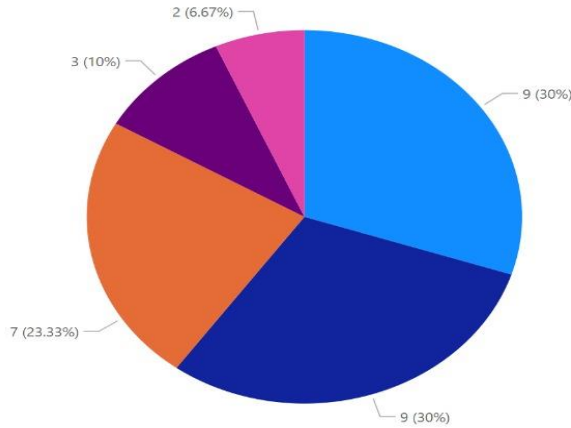● Strongly Disagree ● Agree ● Neutral ● Strongly Agree ● Disagree

Options	Count
Agree	5
Disagree	3
Neutral	4
Strongly Agree	4
Strongly Disagree	14
Total	**30**

You face challenges when using e-learning platforms to improve your urdu comprehension?

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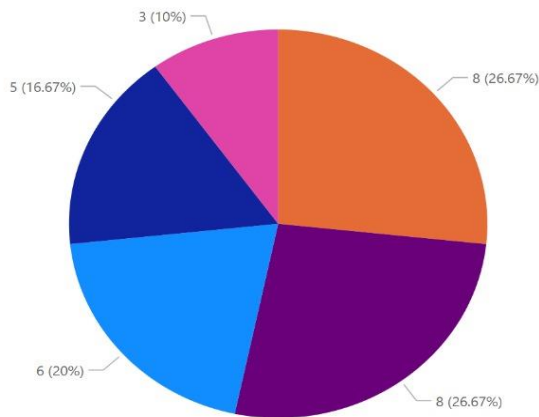● Agree ● Strongly Disagree ● Neutral ● Strongly Agree ● Disagree

Options	Count
Agree	9
Disagree	2
Neutral	7
Strongly Agree	3
Strongly Disagree	9
Total	**30**

E-learning platforms are effective for mastering advanced urdu comprehension skills?

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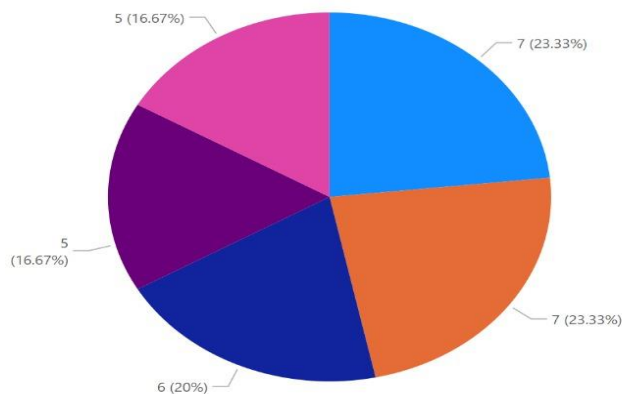● Neutral ● Strongly Agree ● Agree ● Disagree ● Strongly Disagree

Options	Counts
Agree	6
Disagree	5
Neutral	8
Strongly Agree	8
Strongly Disagree	3
Total	**30**

You are confident in your comprehension abilities after using e-learning tools?

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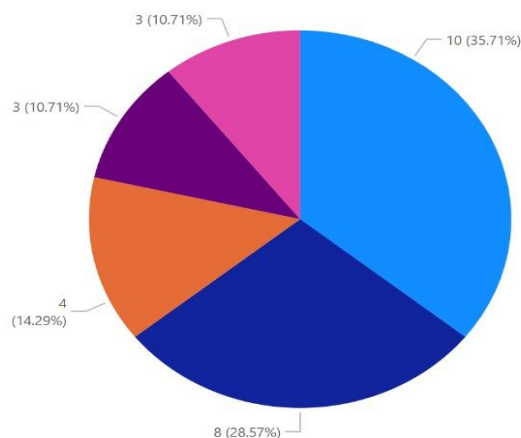● Agree ● Neutral ● Disagree ● Strongly Agree ● Strongly Disagree

Options	Count
Agree	7
Disagree	6
Neutral	7
Strongly Agree	5
Strongly Disagree	5
Total	**30**

You would recommend e-learning platforms to other for improving urdu comprehension?

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● Strongly Agree ● Agree ● Strongly Disagree ● Disagree ● Neutral

Options	Count
Agree	8
Disagree	3
Neutral	3
Strongly Agree	10
Strongly Disagree	4
Total	**28**

Conclusion

The study on the effectiveness of e-learning tools in improving Urdu comprehension highlights their significant impact on learners' language skills. The findings suggest that well-designed online resources and apps enhance comprehension by providing interactive and engaging learning experiences. Key features such as multimedia integration, gamification, personalized learning pathways, and instant feedback play a crucial role in facilitating better understanding. Additionally, learners generally hold a positive attitude towards e-learning tools, appreciating their

accessibility, convenience, and ability to cater to different learning styles. However, challenges such as inconsistent content quality, technical difficulties, and the need for better curriculum alignment remain.

Recommendations

Enhancing Content Quality and Relevance – Developers should ensure that e-learning tools align with standardized Urdu language curricula and incorporate authentic, context-rich materials to improve comprehension effectively.

Integrating Adaptive Learning Features – Personalization through artificial intelligence (AI) and adaptive learning technologies can help cater to individual learning paces and needs.

Incorporating Interactive and Gamified Elements – Features like quizzes, storytelling, and real-time assessments can make the learning experience more engaging and effective.

Addressing Technical and Accessibility Issues – Efforts should be made to improve the usability of apps by optimizing them for different devices, ensuring offline access, and providing multilingual support where necessary.

Promoting Awareness and Training – Educational institutions and policymakers should promote the use of e-learning tools through workshops and training sessions to help learners and educators maximize their benefits.

Encouraging Further Research – Future studies should explore long-term impacts, compare different e-learning tools, and assess their effectiveness in diverse learning environments to ensure continuous improvement in Urdu comprehension.

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