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INTEGRATING CHATGPT INTO ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING: OPPORTUNITIES, LIMITATIONS, AND PEDAGOGICAL STRATEGIES

With the advancement of artificial intelligence (AI) and the growing popularity of digital tools, the educational landscape is undergoing significant transformations. One of the most prominent tools is ChatGPT — a language model with the potential to revolutionize the approach to foreign language learning. Its integration into English language education opens new perspectives but also raises a number of questions regarding its effectiveness, pedagogical feasibility, and ethical boundaries.

Opportunities of Using ChatGPT in English Language Learning:

1. Support for learning grammar and vocabulary. ChatGPT can provide explanations of grammar rules, example sentences, synonyms, antonyms, and more.

2. Personalized learning. Students can interact with ChatGPT at their own pace, according to their individual needs.

3. Writing practice. The model can generate sample essays, correct errors, and provide feedback.

4. Development of dialogue skills. Through simulated conversations in English, students can improve their speaking skills.

Limitations and Risks:

1. Inaccuracy of responses. ChatGPT may provide incorrect or outdated information, requiring teacher supervision [1, p. 5].

2. Loss of critical thinking. Automated responses may reduce students' motivation to independently search for and analyze information.

3. Academic integrity concerns. Excessive use of ChatGPT to complete assignments can lead to plagiarism or superficial work lacking deep understanding [2, p. 8].

Pedagogical Strategies for Effective Implementation:

- Integration as a supplementary tool. ChatGPT should not replace traditional teaching but complement it.

- Controlled interaction. Teachers should design tasks where AI stimulates language use rather than replaces the learning process.

- Developing information literacy. Students should be taught how to verify, critically evaluate, and edit AI-generated content.

Thus, ChatGPT is an innovative tool with significant potential for developing language competencies. However, its effective use is only possible with well-considered pedagogical guidance. Striking a balance between modern technologies and traditional pedagogy is the key to successfully integrating AI into English language learning.

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