

## ABSTRACT

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Online games are an alternative medium for mastering vocabulary because it creates a more interesting learning environment for students. One of them is Mobile Legends, Mobile Legends is one of the most played online games in Indonesia. It has been downloaded by more than 500 million users from across the Google Play Store and Apple App Store. According to Google Analytics data for 2020, 80% of Indonesian online gamers are between the ages of 18 and 24. The features in Mobile Legends offered students various advantages. Students can potentially enrich their vocabulary by reading the items' descriptions and emblem sets' descriptions, listening to the heroes' voice lines, and using the text-chat and voice-chat features.

This research aims to know how Mobile Legends improves ELESP students' vocabulary mastery. There are two research questions: (1) How does Mobile Legends: Bang Bang improve ELESP students' vocabulary mastery? (2) Which features of Mobile Legends: Bang Bang could enhance the ELESP students' vocabulary mastery the most?

The researcher used a survey method to conduct this research. The research participants were 67 ELESP students from batches 2018 through 2021 at Sanata Dharma University. The researcher used two instruments, namely a questionnaire distributed using Google Forms and follow-up interviews.

The findings of this research conveyed ELESP students could improve their vocabulary using Mobile Legends. 65.7% of respondents agree that they are obtaining new vocabulary when they are playing the game. 55.2% of respondents agree that their vocabulary mastery was subconsciously increased as they play Mobile Legends. This research also found that Mobile Legends heroes' voice lines are the most helpful feature in improving ELESP students' vocabulary mastery.

**Keywords:** mobile legends, online game, vocabulary mastery, vocabulary acquisition

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*Game online merupakan media alternatif untuk penguasaan kosa kata karena menciptakan lingkungan belajar yang lebih menarik bagi siswa. Salah satunya adalah Mobile Legends, Mobile Legends merupakan salah satu game online yang paling banyak dimainkan di Indonesia. Game tersebut telah diunduh oleh lebih dari 500 juta pengguna Google Play Store dan Apple App Store. Menurut data Google Analytics pada tahun 2020, 80% online gamer Indonesia berusia antara 18 hingga 24 tahun. Fitur-fitur yang ada di Mobile Legends menawarkan berbagai keuntungan kepada pelajar. Siswa dapat memperkaya kosa kata mereka dengan membaca deskripsi item dan set lambang, mendengarkan narasi para pahlawan, dan menggunakan fitur obrolan teks dan obrolan suara.*

*Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui bagaimana Mobile Legends dapat meningkatkan penguasaan kosakata mahasiswa PBI. Ada dua pertanyaan penelitian, yaitu: (1) Bagaimana Mobile Legends: Bang Bang dapat meningkatkan penguasaan kosakata mahasiswa PBI? (2) Fitur Mobile Legends: Bang Bang mana yang paling dapat meningkatkan penguasaan kosa kata mahasiswa PBI?*

*Peneliti menggunakan metode survei untuk melakukan penelitian ini. Partisipan penelitian adalah 67 mahasiswa dari angkatan 2018 hingga 2021 di Program Studi Pendidikan Bahasa Inggris Universitas Sanata Dharma. Peneliti menggunakan dua instrumen penelitian yaitu kuesioner yang disebar menggunakan Google Forms dan wawancara.*

*Temuan penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa mahasiswa PBI dapat meningkatkan kosakata mereka menggunakan Mobile Legends. 65,7% responden setuju bahwa mereka memperoleh kosakata baru saat mereka bermain game. 55,2% responden setuju bahwa penguasaan kosakata mereka meningkat secara tidak langsung saat bermain Mobile Legends. Penelitian ini juga menemukan bahwa narasi hero Mobile Legends adalah fitur yang paling membantu dalam meningkatkan penguasaan kosa kata siswa ELESP.*

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