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Problem-Based Learning (PBL) menjadi pendekatan pedagogis yang semakin penting dalam Pendidikan Bahasa Inggris karena mendorong pembelajaran yang berpusat pada peserta didik, kolaboratif, dan menumbuhkan keterampilan berpikir kritis yang esensial untuk abad ke-21. Meskipun telah diadopsi secara global, masih diperlukan pemahaman yang sistematis tentang bagaimana PBL berkembang secara historis dan pedagogis dalam konteks ELT, terutama di tengah tren pendidikan yang terus berubah dan inovasi teknologi.

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menelusuri proses adopsi dan institusionalisasi PBL dalam Pendidikan Bahasa Inggris, memeriksa evolusi metode pengajaran dan praktik kelas dari waktu ke waktu, serta menganalisis pengaruh tren pendidikan dan inovasi teknologi terhadap penerapan PBL. Dengan menggunakan pendekatan penelitian kepustakaan yang sistematis, studi ini mengkaji berbagai sumber ilmiah yang diterbitkan antara tahun 2010 hingga 2025, termasuk buku akademik, artikel jurnal terindeks, dokumen kebijakan, dan laporan penelitian empiris.

Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa adopsi dan institusionalisasi PBL dalam ELT dibentuk oleh kerangka kebijakan, kepemimpinan institusi, dan reformasi kurikulum, dengan variasi tingkat penerapan di berbagai wilayah. Metode pengajaran dan praktik kelas berkembang menjadi lebih berpusat pada peserta didik dan kolaboratif, dengan pemanfaatan teknologi untuk mendukung berpikir kritis, kreativitas, dan kompetensi komunikatif. Selain itu, integrasi kerangka keterampilan abad ke-21, model PBL berbasis teknologi, dan lingkungan pembelajaran berbantuan AI semakin mentransformasi desain dan pelaksanaan PBL dalam konteks ELT. Temuan ini selaras dengan tujuan penelitian dan memberikan pemahaman komprehensif tentang perkembangan PBL dalam Pendidikan Bahasa Inggris, sekaligus menawarkan wawasan untuk mendorong inovasi pedagogis dan penelitian di masa depan.

**Kata kunci:** Problem-Based Learning, Pendidikan Bahasa Inggris, PBL berbasis teknologi, keterampilan abad ke-21, pembelajaran berbantuan AI.

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Problem-Based Learning (PBL) has become an increasingly important pedagogical approach in English Language Education (ELT) because it promotes learner-centered, collaborative, and critical thinking skills essential for 21st-century learning. Despite its global adoption, there remains a need to systematically understand how PBL has evolved historically and pedagogically within ELT, especially in light of changing educational trends and technological innovations.

This study aims to trace the historical process of adopting and institutionalizing PBL in ELT, examine the evolution of teaching methods and classroom practices over time, and analyze the influence of educational trends and technological innovations on PBL implementation. Using a systematic library research approach, the study reviews a wide range of scholarly sources published between 2010 and 2025, including academic books, peer-reviewed journal articles, policy documents, and empirical research reports.

The findings show that PBL adoption and institutionalization in ELT have been shaped by policy frameworks, institutional leadership, and curricular reforms, resulting in varying degrees of integration across regions. Teaching methods and classroom practices have evolved to become more learner-centered and collaborative, with increasing use of technology to support critical thinking, creativity, and communicative competence. Moreover, the integration of 21st-century skills frameworks, technology-enhanced PBL models, and AI-supported learning environments is transforming how PBL is designed and delivered in ELT contexts. These findings align with the study's objectives and contribute to a comprehensive understanding of PBL's development in English Language Education, offering insights to inform future pedagogical innovation and research.

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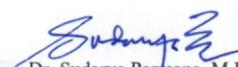
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