

# Using LMS Moodle for Mastering English Skills as an Interactive Competition Tool

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## **Abstract**

The paper outlines the use of Learning Management System Moodle as a tool for running an international competition in English. Since 2012 partner universities from Russia, Belarus and Ukraine have initiated an international student competition in English based on the facilities and resources of the Moodle platform. The participating students from partner universities were exposed to interactive activities and networking resources with the aim to demonstrate and master their English and communication skills. The use of virtual learning environment was intended to assist students in developing their digital competence as well. The competition included several rounds based on different Moodle features and services and enabled the participants to demonstrate their skills in listening comprehension, reading comprehension, use of English, creative writing, and public speech. The participation of students from different universities and managing the English competition by an international team of teachers are described as challenging experiences that resulted for both sides in promoting their personal and professional development.

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