THE IMPORTANCE OF ENGLISH FOR GLOBAL COMMUNICATION

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Abstract. This article extensively discusses the importance of the English language in globalization processes, its role as a means of international communication, and its impact on various aspects of social life. The role of the English language in the fields of education, diplomacy, technology, economics, and cultural exchange is analyzed in depth. The role of language as a factor influencing personal development and professional success is also shown. The article is written on the basis of modern scientific sources and regulatory documents.

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In the current era of rapid globalization, people living in different parts of the world are increasingly able to communicate with each other quickly and effectively. The need for a common language is growing to ensure mutual understanding between societies of different cultures, nationalities, and languages. In this regard, English has become the most important tool of international communication. English is now taught and used as a second language on almost all continents of the world. It plays a leading role in diplomatic communication, international trade, scientific research, technological innovation, cultural exchange, and education. Knowledge of English is considered an important condition for active participation in global processes, mastering modern knowledge and technologies, and achieving personal and professional success. English has become the official working language of many international organizations. For example, meetings, negotiations, and documents are conducted in English at the UN, UNESCO, the World Health Organization, and many other institutions. This language facilitates understanding between representatives of different countries, simplifies diplomatic processes, and strengthens cooperation. In addition, international summits, global forums, and conferences are also organized mainly in English.

Therefore, for those working in the diplomatic field, a deep knowledge of this language has become a necessary competency. Today, education is conducted in English at the most prestigious higher education institutions-Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard, MIT, and others. More than 80% of internationally ranked scientific journals are published in English. Knowledge of the language allows people to establish direct contact with the scientific community, master best practices, and take their research to the global scientific arena. English is also required to participate in many grants, exchange programs, and international projects. Today, English is not only a means of international communication but also an important key to science, technology, and intercultural exchange. Scientific literature, books, textbooks, and magazines about modern technologies created in different parts of the world are mainly written in English. Therefore, it holds particular importance as the main language that provides free access to modern information. English also plays a vital role in travel and tourism. Since tourism is international in nature, a single understandable language is necessary in relations between different countries. Many travel agencies, airlines, hotels, and international companies offer their services primarily in English. People traveling to foreign countries need a common language to communicate effectively with the local population, and English is the most widely used language for this purpose.

Therefore, a thorough study of English not only provides direct access to scientific information but also opens wide doors for successful work in the modern world, participation in global intercultural dialogue, and professional development. English also occupies a leading position in the field of information technology. The main terminology of

programming languages, technical documentation, online courses, scientific research, and most modern innovative solutions are written in English. The fact that more than half of the content on the Internet is created in English also demonstrates its global importance. Knowledge of the language allows people to quickly master modern technologies and actively participate in the global digital space. In the global economy, English is considered a universal business language. International companies, financial institutions, and trade organizations use it in their daily operations. In many countries, knowledge of English is a key requirement for highly qualified jobs. Specialists with language skills expand international cooperation, can enter foreign markets, and have greater opportunities for professional growth. Moreover, knowing English broadens personal horizons, helps accept new ideas, and forms the basis for open communication in multicultural societies. The international prestige and importance of English have increased immeasurably in the process of globalization. It now serves as the main tool in international business relations, science and technology, diplomatic meetings, and global information exchange. The widespread use of English facilitates mutual understanding between different peoples and expands opportunities for economic and cultural cooperation. Therefore, English is recognized as a "common language" worldwide [4; 300-b].

However, this process is not one-sided. The dominance of English also creates certain negative consequences. First, it can exacerbate linguistic inequality-those who speak English fluently often gain advantages, while those with insufficient language proficiency are excluded from global communication. Moreover, cultural diversity and the significance of national languages may decline, potentially weakening cultural identity. For non-native speakers, language barriers, translation issues, and unequal opportunities can hinder full participation in the international arena. Solving these problems requires a multi-stage and systematic approach. Education systems should not only focus on in-depth English teaching but also on developing multilingual competence in students. This ensures success in the global arena while preserving national languages and cultures. It is also essential to expand the use of multiple languages in international organizations and forums. This helps amplify diverse voices, respect different viewpoints, and create a dialogue-based environment rooted in equality. Developing effective English teaching methods, improving translation technologies, and forming fair language policies are crucial steps on this path. Thus, by maintaining the positive aspects of English as a global means of communication while addressing its negative effects, it is possible to create a more inclusive and fairer linguistic environment. The ultimate goal is to make English a bridge connecting different peoples-not a barrier dividing them. In short, English has become the most significant tool for global communication today. It plays a crucial role not only in international diplomacy, education, and technology but also in economics and culture. Mastery of the language allows individuals to communicate freely on the international stage, demonstrate their knowledge and potential, and become active participants in global processes. Therefore, learning English should be one of the top priorities not only in educational policy but also in personal development strategies.

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