

ABSTRACT

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Motivation is the most important thing that must be embedded in a student. Especially for foreign language learners in junior high schools to learn English. With motivation, a person will feel interested in learning and, of course, will get good learning results. On the contrary, without motivation, a person will experience learning difficulties because of disinterest, so learning will feel more difficult. The difference with the previous research is that this research was conducted in one of the junior high schools that was undergoing online learning at their school. This research was conducted with a qualitative approach with a focus on student motivation in online English learning. This study focuses on investigating the motivation of a junior high school student, while the previous studies investigated college students in online English learning during the COVID-19 pandemic. Hence, this study will be able to shed another light on students' motivation. In data collection, this research conducted an interview with one participant in one of the junior high schools in Tasikmalaya. Data analysis used thematic analysis. The findings of this study found that there were five causes of students demotivation in online English learning and three solutions to increase student motivation in learning English online. These causes are: 1) disinterested in English lessons 2) English is considered a difficult subject. 3) Inappropriate English teaching method 4) low self-confidence, and 5) incomprehensible delivered English teaching materials. The solutions to increase student motivation are: 1) online English learning tools 2) Rewards 3) Increasing students' confidence to learn English By knowing the causes and solutions, the teacher can prepare for better learning, and the student has the encouragement to learn English.

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