

English Classroom in the Era of Artificial Intelligence: The Transformation and Reshaping of Teachers' Role

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Abstract: With the rapid development of artificial intelligence technology, the field of English education is undergoing profound changes. Artificial intelligence not only improves teaching efficiency, but also promotes the gradual transformation of teachers' role from knowledge transmitter to learning guide, data analyst and learning supporter. This transformation brings new challenges and opportunities. This paper discusses the application of artificial intelligence in English classroom, such as intelligent language learning platform, automatic evaluation system and virtual teaching assistant, and analyzes the influence of these technologies on the role of teachers. It also further puts forward the strategies of reshaping the role of teachers, such as teacher training and skill improvement, teaching design and implementation strategies, and the cooperative work of teachers and technology. Through specific case analysis, it shows how teachers can effectively combine artificial intelligence technology to optimize teaching practice, so as to achieve the improvement of teaching objectives.

Keywords: artificial intelligence, English education, teachers' role, transformation, technology collaboration

Introduction

Under the background of the rapid development of artificial intelligence technology, the traditional English classroom is undergoing profound changes. Artificial intelligence not only improves the teaching efficiency, but also makes teachers no longer just the transmitter of knowledge, but also transforms and reshapes them into learning guides, data analysts and learning supporters. This transformation has brought new challenges and opportunities to teachers' professional development and teaching practice.

1. The application of artificial intelligence in English education

1.1 Overview of Artificial Intelligence Technology

The rapid advancement of artificial intelligence (AI) technology is changing all walks of life, and the field of education is no exception. Artificial intelligence technology covers sub-areas such as machine learning, natural language processing, and speech recognition. They can perform data analysis, prediction, and decision-making by simulating human cognitive abilities. In education, the application of AI technology can realize personalized learning, real-time feedback and automatic management, which can greatly improve teaching efficiency and learning experience^[1].

1.2 The specific application of artificial intelligence in English classroom

In the English classroom, the intelligent language learning platform uses natural language processing technology to

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provide personalized learning experience and recommend appropriate learning materials according to students' language level, learning progress and interests. The automated assessment system can quickly analyze the assignments and examinations submitted by students, generate detailed assessment reports and accurate feedback, so that teachers can save a lot of time and focus on teaching design and individual counseling. As an auxiliary tool, virtual teaching assistant can carry out basic teaching guidance and problem solving by means of speech recognition and natural language processing technology. After class, it can solve problems for students, provide additional learning resources and adjust learning plans, which not only expands teachers' teaching time, but also enhances students' autonomous learning ability^[2].

2. The influence of artificial intelligence on the role of teachers

2.1 An overview of traditional teacher roles

In the traditional teaching mode, teachers are mainly the transmitters of knowledge. They should not only teach students the course content, explain difficulties and answer questions, but also carry out classroom management and evaluate students' learning achievements. Their core responsibilities are to ensure that students master the course knowledge and skills, maintain the classroom order, and guide students to complete homework and examinations.

2.2 The transformation of teacher's role

First of all, teachers should change from knowledge transmitters to learning guides. They should not only be information providers, but also become supporters of students' autonomous learning. They should design personalized learning activities to stimulate students' independent exploration and critical thinking, so as to adapt to the personalized learning suggestions given by the AI system. Secondly, teachers should change from evaluators to data analysts. They should not rely solely on traditional examination scores to evaluate students' learning progress. Artificial intelligence technology can deeply analyze students' homework and test results. Teachers should interpret these data, find out problems and trends in learning, and adjust teaching plans and strategies according to data-driven insights. Finally, teachers should change from classroom managers to learning supporters, and their roles have changed. In traditional teaching, teachers are mainly responsible for maintaining classroom order. In the AI-assisted teaching environment, teachers should pay more attention to students' individual differences and learning needs, and use AI tools such as virtual teaching assistants to provide targeted support and guidance to help students overcome learning obstacles and promote their all-round development^[3].

2.3 The needs and challenges of teachers' professional development

Under the background that artificial intelligence technology is widely used in education, teachers are faced with unprecedented professional development needs. They must master the basic operation and application methods of emerging technologies such as intelligent language learning platforms, automated evaluation systems, and virtual teaching assistants, and understand their functions. Flexible use in actual teaching to improve teaching efficiency and effectiveness. It is also necessary to improve the ability of data analysis, to interpret and utilize the greatly increased learning data generated by artificial intelligence systems, to identify students' learning trends and weaknesses, and to accurately adjust teaching accordingly. In addition, in the face of the increasing personalized learning suggestions provided by AI technology, teachers should design and implement personalized teaching activities according to the different needs of students to meet the needs of each student. These new requirements make teachers must constantly learn and adapt, not only to master technical tools, but also to constantly update teaching concepts and methods. At the same time, in the process of professional development, teachers must overcome the challenges of steep learning curve, complex data interpretation and frequent adjustment of teaching strategies, so as to effectively use artificial intelligence technology to improve teaching quality^[4].

3. The remodeling strategy of teacher's role

3.1 Teacher training and skills upgrading

Teachers have to master the basic operation and application methods of artificial intelligence related technologies, such as intelligent language learning platform, automatic evaluation system and virtual teaching assistant. This requires training courses not only to cover the basic knowledge of technology, but also to explain in depth how to use these tools in practical teaching. The training content should include the operation steps of artificial intelligence systems, solutions to common problems, and data analysis and application skills, so as to ensure that teachers can easily cope with the challenges brought by technology. Secondly, teachers should improve their data analysis ability, interpret the learning data generated by AI system, identify students' learning trends and problems, and then formulate targeted teaching strategies. They should know how to extract useful information from the data, evaluate students' learning progress, and then adjust the teaching content and methods accordingly. In addition, teachers must also develop personalized teaching ability, design and carry out personalized learning activities according to students' different needs and learning styles. Personalized teaching can effectively improve students' learning motivation and achievements, especially when it is optimized on the basis of personalized suggestions given by artificial intelligence^[5].

3.2 Teaching design and implementation strategy

Teachers should use artificial intelligence tools to design personalized and interactive classroom activities. For example, with the help of the analysis data of the intelligent language learning platform, teachers can formulate personalized learning plans according to the specific needs of students. Secondly, in the process of teaching implementation, teachers should flexibly use the real-time feedback of AI technology to adjust teaching strategies and contents. The virtual teaching assistant can answer questions and provide additional learning resources for students in after-school counseling. Teachers should immediately adjust the teaching content according to these feedback to ensure that each student can get support according to their own learning rhythm.

The teaching content ensures that each student can get support according to their own learning rhythm. For example, teachers can use advanced artificial intelligence technology to optimize teaching design and implementation in teaching. First, through the diagnostic function of the intelligent language learning platform, they can understand each student's learning situation and weak links in detail. According to these data, English teachers also formulate personalized learning plans for students, and design many interactive activities in the classroom, such as group discussion, role playing, scene simulation, etc. In addition, the teacher also monitors students' learning progress with real-time feedback provided by the platform, and adjusts teaching strategies in a timely manner based on feedback. For example, in an oral practice, the teacher found that some students had common problems in pronunciation through the platform's pronunciation scoring system. He quickly adjusted the classroom content and added targeted pronunciation exercises. After class, he also used virtual teaching assistants to provide one-on-one tutoring.

3.3 Collaborative work between teachers and technology

Teachers have to take the initiative to integrate artificial intelligence technology into it as an important tool to assist teaching. This integration not only requires teachers to have basic technical operation ability, but also the ability to combine technology and teaching. For example, teachers should know how to use the functions of the intelligent language learning platform, design activities that are consistent with the teaching objectives, and flexibly use the data and feedback provided by the technology in the classroom. At the same time, teachers also have to maintain dynamic interaction with technology in the teaching process, and adjust teaching strategies in time to cope with the changes and challenges brought by technology.

Teachers and technology work together to establish an effective communication mechanism and feedback mechanism. Teachers should regularly communicate with the technical support team and know the latest technology updates and functional improvements, so that new technologies can be used in teaching practice in a timely manner. In addition, teachers must also adjust the technology application strategy by collecting students' feedback on the use of technical tools to ensure that the technology is effective in teaching. For example, by analyzing students' use data and feedback, teachers can optimize the use of technical tools and improve their practical role in the classroom^[6].

4. Conclusion

Driven by artificial intelligence technology, English classroom is undergoing obvious changes. The role of a teacher has gradually changed from a traditional knowledge transmitter to a learning guide, data analyst and learning supporter. This change not only improves teaching efficiency, but also brings new challenges and opportunities to teachers' professional development. This paper studies the specific application of artificial intelligence in English education, and also proposes ways to reshape the role of teachers, such as teacher training and skill improvement, teaching design and implementation strategies, and the collaborative work of technology and teachers. Through the analysis of specific examples, the actual effect of the integration of technology and teaching is demonstrated. After that, teachers have to constantly adapt to technological progress and flexibly use artificial intelligence tools to improve the quality of education and students' learning experience. Exploring and optimizing these strategies will help to achieve more efficient teaching and more comprehensive student development.

Conflicts of interest

The author declares no conflicts of interest regarding the publication of this paper.

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