

# eKidz: learn German by reading

With eKidz every child will learn to read in German — freely diving into the language and cultue at his or her own pace





## **Individual Approach**

eKidz programme consists of 9 levels of language proficiency. The goals are set individually for every learner. Children learn the language not from a textbook, but in a natural way by reading stories, fairy tales and non-fiction texts in German. The application is designed for both school and home use. Every child can acquire language proficiency in an immersive way, beginning at their own level of proficiency in that language!

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- 50+ structured texts
- 9 levels of language proficiency
- Gradated speed of audio narration
- Karaoke-style word highlighting
- Comprehension questions





# Immersion in the language environment

Listening comprehension is one of the main objectives whilst learning a foreign language. All eKidz texts are read by professional narrators and provide a unique opportunity to introduce the child to different accents, to teach him or her correct pronunciation and to enhance their vocabulary.



A unique feature of the application is the variable speed of narration. The audio playback - books being read aloud as the words are highlighted - corresponds to the level of the child's literacy: the texts are read slowly, clearly and word for word, however the context and flow of the text is maintained.





# **Exciting and interactive**

The modern language, the fascinating content and engaging illustrations of the eKidz app awake a child's natural curiosity, making the process of learning a language into an exciting game.

Studying in a safe and relaxed environment allows children to achieve incredible results in learning German. The use of mobile devices with their state-of-the-art functionality allows the young language learner to be multimodally engaged: directional tracking, spoken narration, shared reading, visualisation of story elements. The app is designed to enhance, facilitate and encourage interaction with hardcopy reading and learning.



# **Modern functionality**

eKidz uses different techniques to make exercises more interactive and improve the effectiveness of learning. Our texts are highlighted in in karaoke-style during listening activity and allow for directional tracking whilst reading. The first three levels offer audio narrations with syllabic reading. Levels 4-9 are read slowly. We are constantly working on adding new functionalities, for example, the ability for children to retell a text based on story boards and recording their own narrations.

### Easy to read texts

- Easy to read text
- Large fonts
- Sufficient line spacing
- Left-side text orientation





# Como llueve, los niños no pueden...

### Effective feedback

eKidz allows teachers and parents to track the child's progress in language learning. Five reading comprehension questions are activated after each text is read and listened to by the learner. The questions help to assess different types of comprehension focusing on main and supporting ideas, logical reasoning or factual information in the text. Individual reports include the number of completed tasks, time and frequency of using eKidz, as well as the percentage of questions answered correctly at each assigned level.



# Teamwork of all involved in the process of language learning

The use of eKidz as an interactive environment improves communication both between teachers and students, as well as between teachers and parents. The child's motivation is supported by the immediate feedback of their achievement.

Teachers are assisted and inspired by our additional teaching resources for both class and group work while parents are kept informed on their children's progress. .





