Mobile learning = collaboration

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m-learning – what is it?

3 year project started 2001

- Research
- Development
- Live trialling
What are we on about?

- Bright stimulating materials
- The appeal of the gadget – and what it feels like to be trusted with one
- Pride and privacy – independent learning
- Peer support and challenge – learning from/with each other
Different mixes of gadgets
Sample from a catalogue-ordering exercise. Students needed to call and order a certain shirt.
Quick text quizzes

A to Z of Drugs

Quick Quiz

1. A word that could be used instead of "sedative" in line 17 is
   a. calming
   b. negative
   c. positive
   d. exciting

2. A word that could replace "relieve" in line 18 and retain the same meaning is
   a. replace
   b. ease
   c. increase
   d. revive

3. The word "hooked" in line 21 means the same as
   a. addicted
   b. caught
   c. high
   d. convicted

4. A word that could be used instead of "fatal" in line 30 is
   a. terminal
   b. terminating
   c. deathly
   d. deadly

5. The word "eyes" in line 41 means
   a. vision
   b. surveillance
   c. opinion
   d. observation

To check your answers
Text the word 'frank' followed by the five letters that represent your answers to 0700 0000000.

For example, if you think the answer to number 1 is b, number 2 is a, number 3 is a, number 4 is c, and number 5 is d, text frank baacd.
Games for your phone

**Mobile Driving Quiz**

**Question 10**

What does this sign mean?

**Answer**

- 1: No oil leaks
- 2: No skidding
- 3: Danger: Slippery road ahead

**Correct!**

A red triangle is usually a warning of something ahead
Bright and fun on a handheld

What is the area of one bedroom wall?

- 8.75 sq. metres
- 12 sq. metres
- 6 sq. metres
- 87.5 sq. metres

CAIRO, EGYPT to CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA
Where does collaboration fit in?

- Situated learning theories – give learning a context
- Accentuate the social – mobiles are for sharing
- Exploit the appeal of games
- The mediaboard – collaborate/compete/challenge
Students were sent off with challenges to find out more about their town. They needed to ask people and look stuff up, then sent in text messages and pictures to answer the different challenges.
... abstract or concrete
m-learning mediaBoard

sapark

Get the map, walk in the park and find the zones! When you catch them send a photo and leave a message that describe it.

Click inside the zones (red circles) to see their messages. Click anywhere else on the map to view all messages.

Add Messages
Over to you

P800

XDA II

P900
mlearn2004

A media board created for demonstration/participation at the Mlearn 2004 conference.

Click the zones (red circles) to see their messages. Click anywhere else on the map to view all.
How to send a message:

MMS to: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Subject: mlearn2004.inspire

or mlearn2004.create
or .. explain .. construct .. test

How to see the board we have made:

http://mboard.m-learning.net and select mlearn2004
The trials

- **UK**
  - 100s of Learners across the country, including homeless, travellers, Connexions

- **Sweden**
  - Pupils at 2 City of Stockholm Schools

- **Italy**
  - **Mentoring Italia** – disaffected youth in Salerno
  - **AltraDefinizione** – immigrants and disadvantaged youth in Naples
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