Development of Visual Basic Application Based Learning Media on Flat Building Materials

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ABSTRACT

This study aims to produce learning media based on a visual basic application of triangles and rectangles. This research is research and development. The method used in this research is a research and development method with a 4-D model (Four-D Model). This development model is modified into 3-D, only until the development stage (Develop). The instrument used in this study was a questionnaire used to assess the validity and practicality of the teaching materials. The validity questionnaire was given to 2 experts in the field of mathematics education and media while the practicality questionnaire was given to students. This research produces learning media based on a visual basic application that is valid, very practical, and effective for use in learning

Keywords: Visual Basic Application, Learning Media, Flat Building

INTRODUCTION

The Covid 19 pandemic has had a tremendous impact in almost all fields, one of which is in the field of education. With the covid 19 viruses, the learning process that was initially carried out face-to-face has turned into distance learning or online learning so that the existence of technology is currently considered very important. Teachers can use technology as a learning medium in delivering material through several applications, such as the zoom application, Spada, google classroom, google Meetings, or other applications. In addition, teachers can also develop learning media by utilizing existing technology so that students can find their own concepts from the material being studied so that learning is more meaningful. So that student learning styles are one of the starting points to identify students’ multiple abilities and intelligence (O’neil, 2012)

Learning media is a tool in the learning process and serves to clarify the message that you want to convey. Learning media by Kemp & Dayton (Azhar, 2007), can fulfill three main functions if the media is used for a large number of individuals, groups, or groups of listeners, namely motivating interests and actions, presenting information, and giving instructions. The types of media based on
the development of technology according to (Azhar, 2007) were print technology media, audiovisual technology result media, computer-based technology result media, print technology combined media with computers. Computer-based technology learning media deserves to be considered as an alternative to learning during the current covid 19 pandemics.

ICT-based or technology-based learning contributes significantly higher to student learning outcomes (Shih et al., 2010; Yen et al., 2010). The influence of technology is huge in the field of education because it can improve the quality of learning, strategies, models, and assessments in accordance with the competence of students and teachers (Bond & Bedenlier, 2019; Briz-Ponce et al., 2017; Habes et al., 2018; Sung et al., 2016). In addition, using technology can increase students' creativity in exploring their abilities (Briz-Ponce et al., 2017; Fabian et al., 2016; Habes et al., 2018; Harris et al., 2016; Henriksen et al., 2019; Ndofirepi et al., 2018).

Azhar (2007) states that learning with a computer can hone a variety of exercises as there are various illustrations, animations, and graphics. Learning with this computer can attract students because learning becomes more fun and interesting than when the teacher explains the material in front of the class. In the development of computer-based media, teachers can take advantage of various applications such as Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, adobe animation, adobe flash, and so on

Microsoft Excel is part of Microsoft office that serves to process data in the form of text and numbers. This view of Microsoft Excel is a spreadsheet or worksheet making it easier for its users to operate it. According to Tjhardji (Nuryanto & Zaki, 2012), Microsoft Excel software is a spreadsheet (paper), database, graph, and macro (automation command or program) program. Microsoft Excel is widely used by the public as a tool to accomplish several tasks that are performed repeatedly and continuously. The following are some examples of common uses of Microsoft Excel that are commonly found including 1) Managing value data, managing payroll data, and managing schedules and agendas of activities; 2) Manage transactions and generate invoices and print transaction receipts; and 3) Manage to chart progress from data stored in data dimensions in excel

One of the ICT-based media is Microsoft Excel, and the software is rich in mathematical functions for data processing. Microsoft Excel also provides images such as Shapes, Pictures, Graphics, and Diagrams (Bernard & Senjayawati, 2019), but nowadays most people still associate data processing cells with graphs such as running Shapes, Picture, Graphs, and Diagrams into dynamic shapes by using The Visual Basic Application for Microsoft Excel.

VBA-based learning media can be designed in such a way as to solve a problem in calculating the area and circumference of a flat build easily and attractively. Students can discover for themselves the broad and roving formula of a flat build from their experience when solving the problem. Therefore VBA-based learning media can be software for learning mathematics. Based on this background, researchers are interested in developing a learning medium on flat build materials by utilizing VBA. The flat build material is a material that is difficult for students to understand so researchers want to produce a learning medium that can make it easier for students to understand the material and students can learn fun.
METHOD

The methods used in this study are research and development methods (Research and Development) with the model 4-D (Four-D Model). According to, Semmel dan Semmel (Gorbi Irawan et al., 2018) this model called 4-D consists of 4 stages: Define, Design, Develop, and Disseminate. This development model was modified to 3-D, only to the development stage.

The instruments used in this study are questionnaires used to assess the validity and practicality of teaching materials. The validity questionnaire is given to 2 experts in the field of mathematics and media education based on their expertise, while the practicality questionnaire is given to teachers and students to assess practicality based on their experiences during the learning process.

1. Validity Test

Learning media will be used first in the validity test by two experts in the field of mathematics education and media. The formula used to calculate the percentage of validation according to Arikunto (Taufik & Kristanto, 2018) as follows:

\[ \text{validation percentage} = \frac{\text{number of scores earned}}{\text{total score}} \times 100\% \]

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<td>P \geq 75%</td>
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<td>55% \leq P &lt; 75%</td>
<td>Valid</td>
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<td>40% \leq P &lt; 55%</td>
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<td>P &lt; 40%</td>
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Tabel 1. Interpretation of Validity

2. Practicality Test

The formula for calculating the practicality of teaching materials according to Riduwan (2009) is as follows:

\[ K = \frac{F}{N \times I \times R} \times 100\% \]

Description:
- K : Percentage eligibility
- F : Overall number of respondents' answers
- N : Number of respondents
- I : Number of questions in the poll
- R : Number of respondents

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Tabel 2. Practicality Interpretation

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

This research resulted in a learning medium based on virtual basic application or VBA abbreviated on a decent flat build material (Valid, Practical, and Effective). This learning medium will
be packaged in a learning CD that contains the application and how it is used. The development of this learning medium through the following stages:

1. Definition Stage

   The definition stage is the initial stage in the process of developing learning media. At this stage, several analyses are conducted, including curriculum analysis, problem analysis, and student needs analysis.

   a. Curriculum Analysis

   Curriculum analysis is carried out by identifying basic competencies (KD) for rectangular and triangular flat build materials under the revised 2013 curriculum. Rectangular and triangular flat building materials are given to junior high school students in grade VII even semester. There are two basic competencies in rectangular and triangular flat build materials, namely associating the roving and area formulas for different types of rectangles (squares, rectangles, divided, parallels, trapezoids, and kites) and triangles, solving contextual problems related to the area and circumference of rectangles (squares, rectangles, splits, parallels, trapezoids, and kites) and triangles.

   b. Student Analysis

   The student's analysis was conducted on grade VIII students who had obtained rectangular and triangular flat build materials. The analysis was obtained by conducting unstructured interviews about students’ difficulties during the learning process of rectangular and triangular flat building materials. Based on the results of the interview obtained several problems faced including students difficulty in understanding the material of flat build rectangles and triangles, students tend to memorize the formula given by the teacher so that when given problems regarding rectangles and triangles in other representations of students difficulties, students still difficult to visualize flat builds rectangles and triangles. This is in line with the statement of Noto et al. (2019) which mentions there are some obstacles and difficulties that are often faced by students, namely a) learning difficulties related to difficulty applying concepts; b) learning difficulties related to visualizing geometric objects; c) learning difficulties related to difficulties in determining principles; d) learning difficulties related to understanding problems and e) related difficulties in a mathematical proof.

   c. Needs Analysis

   This needs analysis is done based on the results of field surveys. Based on the results of the survey obtained results that at the time of the learning process is needed a learning medium that can increase student activity so that learning is more meaningful.

2. Design Stage

   After the analysis, the next stage is the media design stage. In the learning media based on virtual basic application, quadrilateral material is provided several tool parameters consisting of length, width, area, circumference, images, magnification, and much more. Figure 1 is a look at the learning media that has been designed.
This learning medium can help students find and understand the concept of roving and spacious flat wakes, besides students can calculate the area and circumference of flat builds of different sizes and shapes so that learning becomes more fun and meaningful.

3. Development Stage

The next stage is the development stage of virtual basic application-based learning media, where at this stage an assessment of the validity and practicality of the learning media is carried out. The validity assessment was conducted by two experts, namely experts in the field of mathematics and media education while practicality was assessed by teachers and students.

a. Validity

The learning media that has been designed will then be assessed its validity by using a validity questionnaire given to material experts and media experts.

Table 3. Percentage of Expert Validation

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<td>I. Didactic Aspects</td>
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<td>a. VBA-based learning media has an attractive design</td>
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<td>b. VBA-based learning media is conformed to flat build materials</td>
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<td>II. Content Aspects</td>
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<td>a. Materials in VBA-based learning media by Basic Competencies</td>
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<td>b. Materials in VBA-based learning media following learning objectives</td>
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<td>c. Images displayed on VBA-based learning media according to flat build material</td>
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<td>d. The results of the answers to the problems displayed in the learning media are appropriate</td>
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<td>III. Display Aspects</td>
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<td>a. Buttons on VBA-based learning media can be used properly</td>
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<td>b. The letters used can be seen</td>
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<tr>
<td>c. Animated images/sounds/posts are presented interestingly</td>
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<td>d. Images in VBA-based learning media can be moved/rotated easily</td>
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<td>Percentage Validity</td>
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In Table 3, obtained validity percentage of 87.5% so based on Table 1. Then the validity score is included in the "Very Valid" criteria. The input of validator 1 is to add tools for results from the area and circumference as well as tools to check the correctness of the answers that students give. While validator 2 does not provide input on learning media based on virtual basic application. Figure 2 is learning media for the before and figure 3 is learning media after revised.

**Figure 2. Triangular learning media before revision**

**Figure 3. Triangular learning media after revision**

Based on the input validator, then as seen in figure 3, several additional tools are answer sheets consisting of the area of the triangle and check so that when the child enters the answer of the area of the triangle according to the base and height that has been entered before, it will appear √ if the answer is correct and × if the answer is wrong. Similarly, learning media for rectangles, given additional tools according to the input of the validator. Figure 4 and 5 are picture of the quadrilateral learning media before and after revision.

**Figure 4. Quadrilateral learning media before revision**
b. Practicality

The practicality of learning media is assessed by two teachers and 30 students. Here are the results of the percentage of the practicality of learning media

Table 4. Percentage of Practicality of Learning

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<td>Teacher</td>
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<td>Students</td>
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Based on Table 4, obtained the average percentage of the practicality of learning media by 82.14% and 86.19% so that it falls into the criteria of "Very Practical". Therefore, learning media based on virtual basic application is according to teachers and students as validators are considered practical in their use and can help students in understanding the concept of the flat building. The aspects assessed include: a) VBA-based learning media has an attractive look, b) VBA-based learning media is easy to use, c) VBA-based learning media can be used quickly, d) the presentation of materials with VBA learning media is more practical, e) the use of writing/images on this learning medium is very effective, f) VBA-based learning media can be used anytime and anywhere, g) VBA-based learning media can be used as a source of learning to build flat.

This learning medium was developed using the use of the virtual basic application in Microsoft excel. The development of this learning media through several stages including the definition stage, the design stage, and the development stage. The definition stage consists of curriculum analysis, student analysis, and needs analysis. The learning media is adapted to the curriculum used today, namely the revised 2013 curriculum, wherein this curriculum students are built competencies and their characters so that students can have smart, critical, creative, innovative skills, curiosity, productivity, and reflection (Harosid, 2018).

Learning media can be developed by teachers according to the needs of students. Learning media has an important role in the learning process. This virtual basic application-based learning media can increase students’ interest and activities in the learning process so that learning in the classroom is more fun and more meaningful. One of the studies conducted by (Fang & Tajvidi, 2018) explains that students who learn by utilizing computer-based technology can significantly increase student activity, in line with Bloom (Fang & Tajvidi, 2018) that students’
activities in learning can increase significantly by further building students in the ability to understand, apply, analyze and vaccinate the problems faced by.

CONCLUSION

Learning media based on Virtual Basic Application is developed through 3 stages including define, design, development (Develop). Based on the trials obtained the following conclusions (1) based on the validity test of VBA-based learning media that has been conducted by 2 experts in the field of mathematics education and learning media, the results were obtained that the designed learning media is valid, and (2) based on the practicality test that has been done, the VBA-based learning media on flat building material is stated to be practical.

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