

## OVERCOMING ONLINE LEARNING BARRIERS

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It's not always simple for learners to complete chores and activities at school. On the path, there may occasionally be obstacles or issues, but there are offered solutions for how to get past them. Some learning is still being done online given the state of our nation right now as a result of the pandemic. Along with the new standard of learning, there are also learning hurdles.

A learning barrier is anything that prevents students from becoming fully immersed in their studies. The majority of learners encounter numerous obstacles to learning during the learning process. Consider a student who has lost his connection due to an internet outage or a learner who is unable to complete their final online examination due to a busy workplace. These all have the potential to be considered learning barriers. Learners cannot be completely engaged in learning if they are unable to fully participate in a learning activity.

Examining the obstacles to online learning from the standpoint of the learner is the first step towards removing them. Here are some of the barriers to online learning and the possible solution we can give.

### 1. Lack of technical skills

Different adult learners have different levels of technological expertise and digital knowledge. Similar to how not every LMS is user-friendly, Learners spend time and effort that could be used for learning when they struggle to use the platform.

Making straightforward lessons or tutorials that show how to use the LMS will solve this problem. An in-person demonstration of the system or a webinar that has been recorded and can be viewed later is frequently appreciated by learners who dislike the idea of learning entirely online.

## 2. Isolation

Even if learners feel a sense of camaraderie at work, sitting by themselves in front of a computer screen can nevertheless make them feel lonely. In fact, when it comes to online learning, isolation is one of the most prevalent anxieties.

Make social features like discussions a crucial component of your course design plan to get through this learning barrier. Leaderboards, group projects, and team tournaments can all help to lessen loneliness.

## 3. Boredom

Although involvement does not equal entertainment, boredom can occasionally equal disengagement.

Understanding the demands of your training audience and the kinds of scenarios and content they find motivating can help you avoid having disengaged learners. Make sure that the tests' level of difficulty is just right so that most students can complete or pass them—challenging enough to minimize boredom, but not too hard.

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