AVALON Registration

Please sign up here for an AVALON course. Welcome to AVALON!

You are about to sign up for an AVALON course.

AVALON is an EU funded project which explores language learning in Second Life. We are several partners from England, Germany, Sweden, Italy, Norway and Austria, who are exploring how Second Life can be used in language learning. Some of the questions are designed to assist us in our development.

Registration will take about 15 minutes to complete.

Thank you very much in advance!

Your AVALON Team.
There are 22 questions in this survey

Basic Questions

Some general information about you

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1 Which course would you like to sign up for? *
Please choose only one of the following:
German for beginners North Sami course Business English course 01 & 02 Italian for beginners Debating course AVALON Language Teacher Training Course FCE Speaking Skills Course Business English Course 03 Reserved Entry 3 Reserved Entry 4 Reserved Entry 5 Reserved Entry 6 Reserved Entry 7 Other
2 What is your email address? *
Please write your answer here:
We need your email adress to sent further information to you and invite you for the technical check in.
3 What is your gender? *
Please choose only one of the following:
□Female □Male

Please write your answer here:
5 If you already have been in Second Life, what is your SL name?
Please write your answer here:
6 Where do you come from?
Please write your answer here:
7 What is your occupation? Are you studying?
Please write your answer here:
Examples: university programme, vocational training, informal leaning, etc.
8 What is your mother tongue? *
Please write your answer here:
Second Life
Please tell us about your second life experience. You can skip this page after if you had no experience with Second Life!
9 Have you been in Second Life already? *
Please choose only one of the following:
Please choose only one of the following: Yes No
Yes
Yes No
Yes No
Yes No
Yes No

Examples: Teacher helped me, a friend helped me, I did it myself, online resources, \dots

12 How difficult was it for you to get started in Second Life?
Please choose only one of the following:
□1 □2
\square 3
□4 □5
1=easy; 5=almost impossible
1-easy, 5-aimost impossible
13 In your opinion, do you think that Second Life is an appropriate environment for learning? Why? Why not?
Please write your answer here:
14 You are about to experience learning in Second Life. How does this make you feel?
Please choose all that apply:
excited
□hard to say □happy
comfortable
indifferent
□ anxious □ full of expectations
confused
motivated
curious
scared sceptical
frustrated
15 What have you heard about Second Life? What is it generally used for?
Please write your answer here:

Technical Aspects

Please tell us about your technical experiences.

16 Live Online Environment *

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	I am a designer, moderator, etc.	I am an experienced user.	I have some, but not a great deal of experience.	I have no significant experience.
I have experience in a live online environment (web conference/video conference/web cast/ webinar)				
I have experience using an instant messenger (Skype, MSN, Yahoo! etc)				
I have experienced learning languages in a live online environment.				
I have experience learning languages using an instant messenger (Skype, MSN, Yahoo! etc)				

17 Virtual Learning Environment

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	I am a designer moderator, etc.	, I am an experienced user.	I have some, but not a great deal o experience.	
I have experience using a digital selft-learning software (asynchonous)				
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I have experience of using a Learning Management System (LMS) such as Moodle WebCT or Blackbo I have experience	,			
using software for interactive exercises such as multiple-choice, gab filling exercises, crosswords.				
I have experience using translatiopn software and/or vocabulary trainers, spell checkers and/or using a thesaurus				

18 ICT skills

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	I am a designer, moderator, etc.	I am an experienced user.	not a great deal or experience.	f significant experience.
I am comfortable using			•	,
various browsers				
(Firefox, Internet				
Explorer, Safari, etc.)				
I use email frequently				
as a means of				
communication.				
I am familiar with the				
range of functions				
provided by email software.				
I know what spam is				
and how to create filters				
to block it.	'			
I am able to obtain				
(download) software				
and install it.				
I know how to obtian				
(download) videos.				
I understand what anti-				
virus software is and				
how to install it.				
I understand what a				
computer virus is and				
how it might be				
transmitted.				
I know what a firewall is				
and what is does. I know how to publish				
on the web (blogs,				
wikis, forums, etc.)				
I know how to search				
for information on the				
web using search				
engines.				
I know how to question				
the source of				
information on the				
internet.				
I have designed				
materials for online				
delivery. I know how to				
create/edit images and	_	_	_	
save them in different				
file formats.				
I know how to				
record/edit audio and				
video files and save				
them in different file				
formats.				

Language Background

Some Questions about your language background:

19 If English is not your first language, how comfortable do you feel communicating in English?
Please choose only one of the following:
□ beginner □ intermediate □ fluent
20 How often do you use English? *
Please choose only one of the following:
every day regularly sometimes hardly ever never
21 How would you describe your English? *
Please choose only one of the following:
basic satisfactory good excellent
Informed Consent
Informations about the research data collection in AVALON
22 AVALON is a project funded by the European Commission and is concerned with developing our understanding of how languages can be learned in Second Life. As a part of this project, we are running a number of pilot activities. These activities involve both research and the creation of material for use both as a part of the project and for other teachers to use when the project has finished. In order to conduct the research and create the material we will audio and video record some of the lessons, take pictures, save the text and audio conversations and ask you to fill in questionnaires or to be interviewed about this experience. By signing up to this pilot language course you are agreeing that the project can make use of the recordings, pictures, text and audio chat and questionnaire data for the purposes both of research and the presentation of the finding at conferences and the creation of teaching and learning materials. Responses to questionnaires and interviews will be confidential, however, some of the recordings or the text chat that we use in the materials creation will inevitably show your Avatar name (your name in the virtual world). Please click "Yes" to say that you understand what this project involves and that you agree to us using the data that are collected in the ways described above. *
Please choose only one of the following:
□Yes □No
Submit your survey. Thank you for completing this survey.