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PREFACE

Alhamdulillah, all praise to Allah SWT, the Almighty, the Most Merciful. May His blessings and blessings be endlessly poured out on the Prophet Muhammad SAW, who is a guide and inspiration for all mankind. This thesis raises the topic "Application of YouTube as a Media for Learning English Speaking: Perceptions of EFL Teachers and Students." In an increasingly connected world, mastery of the English language, especially speaking skills, has become essential for personal and professional growth. The emergence of digital technology such as YouTube has opened up vast avenues for language learning. This research explores the potential of YouTube as an educational tool and examines the perceptions of EFL teachers and students regarding its use to improve English speaking skills. The author realizes that there are still many shortcomings and far from perfection in the preparation of this thesis. Therefore, all suggestions and criticisms are expected and accepted with open arms. I really hope that this thesis can contribute to the field of English language education and offer valuable insights for educators, students, and anyone interested in the transformative power of technology in language learning.

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