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*I would recommend "adding the word " grade" and replacing "" students with pupils" so that the title would be :*

*The effect of using the flipped learning strategy on developing primary stage fourth graders' English comprehension skills in Kuwait.*

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*The study followed the procedures of the quasi-experimental design with its two-group design following a pre and posting procedure. Replace the word "stability" with reliability". A description for piloting, validation comments and reliability values should be included. The study lacks an important instrument which is "reading comprehension questionnaire" to identify the important reading skills for the participants. There is less description for the independent variable; what the two groups received is not clear, especially the experimental group.*

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| <b>5. The results are clear and do not contain errors.</b> | <b>3</b> |
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*Results need more descriptive analysis as they lack the quantitative input. Feedback from the participants can be included. A description of the studies that are different from this study can also be included next to those who agree with the results. Following ANCOVA, this may require adding Effect Size to the results. Discussion of the different reading comprehension skills and areas developed should be included in the results.*

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*The summary is accurate and could describe the obtained results effectively. Recommendations of the study could be more prescriptive rather than descriptive. A recommendation about AI tools and their use in language learning could be included. Inclusion classes can be integrated in the recommendations as well.*

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| <i>References are well written and followed correct APA7 format, although, newer and updated references could be included.</i> |          |

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- *The study lacks the description of what the independent variable is and what you experimented.*
- *Check the statistical values, effect size, reliability value, and ANCOVA values.*
- *A description of the reading sub-skills should be included.*
- *A description of the row scores, pre and post testing procedure, and piloting should be included.*
- *The only dependent variable (reading comprehension) should be clearly described.*

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| <b>4. The study methods are explained clearly.</b>  | <b>4</b>                                       |

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| <i>(The Research Questions have not been clearly mentioned. So, it has made methodology quite confusing)</i>                |          |
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