Methods of Teaching Foreign Languages to Young Children

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Abstract: in this article you will be given the number of methods in order to teach foreign languages. Moreover, you will be found the responses of questions and additionally you will gain information about importance of foreign languages. Finally, you will be explained on the role of social media in the learning foreign languages.

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The Direct Method

In this method, the teaching is done entirely in the language being learned. The learner is not allowed to use his or her original language. Grammar rules are avoided and there is an emphasis on good pronunciation.

Grammar-Translation

In this method, learning is largely by translation to and from the target language. Grammar rules are to be memorized and long lists of vocabulary learned by heart. There is little or no emphasis placed on developing oral ability. This method is most commonly used in secondary education.

Audio-Lingual

The theory behind this method is that learning a language means acquiring habits. There is much practice of dialogues in every situation. New language is first heard and extensively drilled before being seen in its written form.

The Structural Approach

This method sees language as a complex of grammatical rules which are to be learned one at a time in a set order. So for example the verb "to be" is introduced and practiced before the present continuous tense which uses "to be" as an auxiliary. This method of learning is common in language learning apps.

Total Physical Response (TPR)

TPR works by having the learner respond to simple commands such as "Stand up", "Close your book", "Go to the window and open it." The method stresses the importance of aural comprehension and the importance of kinesthetic learning.

Communicative Language Teaching (CLT)

The focus of this method is to enable the learner to communicate effectively and appropriately in the various situations she would be likely to find herself in. The content of CLT courses are functions such as inviting, suggesting, complaining, or notions such as the expression of time, quantity, location. Much like The Structural Approach, this method is commonly used in language learning apps.

Task-based language learning

The focus of the teaching is on the completion of a task which in itself is interesting to the learners. Learners use the language they already have to complete the task and there is little correction of errors. The aim here is to highlight the importance of learning the language by making it vital to task completion.

These methods are really important and useful to learn languages. For example, one class use TPR

methods to learn new languages.

How can we use TPR method?

This method is that teacher starts by saying a word ('jump') or a phrase ('look at the board') and demonstrating an action. The teacher then says the command and the students all do the action. After repeating a few times it is possible to extend this by asking the students to repeat the word as they do the action. When they feel confident with the word or phrase you can then ask the students to direct each other or the whole class. There are 30 students in this class. They try to learn new language by using this method. The main part of this group learn new language by this method. It is more effective if the students are standing in a circle around the teacher and you can even encourage them to walk around as they do the action.

In our today's world learning new languages play crucial role in our lifestyle. Learning a language strengthens the area of the brain which is responsible for memory, speech and sensory perception. Bilingual people are better at retaining lists, sequences, names and directions. They are also more creative, perceptive and can concentrate for longer. Furthermore, people find better job or profession by learning new language. Learning a new language nurtures curiosity and openness in children. They become aware of new cultures, and develop a greater understanding and appreciation of other people and customs that are different to their own. As they develop their language fluency, they increase their ability to communicate across cultures and interact positively with people from other countries.

Nowadays, you will learn new languages by social medias easily like apps and so on. To be honestly, we do not imagine our life without them. They are significant to learn new language with effective way. Learning with app helps us to improve all skill together and also you communicate with native speakers by apps. Most importantly, this is necessary to make friends and change information with foreigners.

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