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- How children learn
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How children learn

- Different learning styles
- H. Gardner's Multiple Intelligences Theory
- Born with all the intelligences, but in various progresses
- Provide with variety, options and choices in our class

Teaching Creatively

- Motivate students
- Creativity is not genetic and it is not hereditary
- Everyone is potentially creative
- Creativity is not a fixed trait, can be learned, can be developed
- Involve risk taking, breaking rules, and divergent thinking
- Allow time for students to be creative
- Encourage students' positive creative achievements

Giving clear instruction

The guidance for giving instructions:

- Get all students' attention before you start giving instructions.
- - Stand still at the front where all students can see you.
- Decide whether to move students before or after instructions.
- - Use simple language.
- - Don't explain more than one step at a time.
- Sequence the steps in a logical order.
- - Pause to give students time to understand/process.
- - Check students have understood by eliciting an example and/or asking a question
- - Demonstrate with a good student if possible.
- Use mime/gesture when possible.
- - Make groupings clear.
- Give out the worksheet after the instructions.

Giving clear instruction

The guidance for checking understanding of instructions:

- Identify key steps or possible confusion for students and make questions for these issues.
- Avoid open questions (e.g. What are you going to do?).
- Ask closed questions and give choices, e.g. 'Is student A speaking first or listening first?'
- Don't ask, 'Do you understand?' They might think they understand, but the question doesn't actually check understanding.

Why games?

- Children like games
- Willing to participate
- Provide language practice opportunity
- Review of language lessons
- Encourage students to interact and communicate

- Grammar auction
- Guess who?
- Snakes and ladders
- Sentence charades
- Ostrich game
- Forehead game

Grammar auction:

- A worksheet with sentences, some of the sentences are grammatically correct while others are grammatically incorrect.
- Set a limit on how much the bids can be raised each time.
- Bid for the right sentences.
- The team with the most money outbidding the other teams wins the bid.
- Win the money they bid if they are right, and lose that money if they buy the wrong sentence.



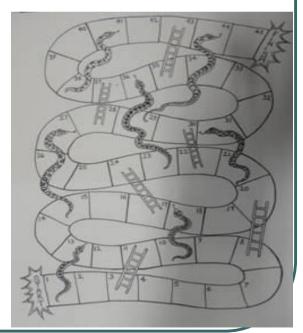
Guess who?

- A question and answer game
- Several faces on the board/paper
- Choose a mystery person for their opponent to guess.
- "Has he/she got _____?"
- Yes/no questions
- Skills of observation and memory.



Snakes and ladders:

- A board game
- A number of ladders and snakes are pictured on the board
- Answer questions correctly, get a chance to roll the dice.
- Land at the bottom of the ladder, go up.
- Land at the mouth of a snake, go down.



Sentence charades:

• One student choose a sentence and act it out without speaking or noises, the others take a guess.

Ostrich game:

- Two students face each other in a pair.
- Stick a card to the back of each student.
- Players are not allowed to touch others with hands.
- Dance like an ostrich (with background music) and try to see what the card is on the opponent's back.
- Peek at the card, then shout it out.



Forehead game:

- Write a profession or the name of famous people
- Stick one on each student's forehead, so they don't see the name but everyone else does.
- Ask yes/no questions
- Go around and try to figure out



Children with learning difficulties

- Be consistent in the language of instruction
- Take small steps towards your goal
- - Change the way you test and monitor the student's output
- Help your students notice connections, similarities and differences between Ll and L2

Children with learning difficulties

- Define basic vocabulary
- Use plenty of visuals
- - Use hands-on activities
- Use lots of repetition
- Model activities
- Allocate different students different tasks to promote self esteem
- - Use different teaching aids
- Give clear instructions one at a time
- Speak slowly, clearly, and naturally
- Face your students and avoid putting your hand in front of your face
- Alert your students when something is important
- Lower the level of background noise
- Allow a long pause between your questions and your students' answers
- Focus on key vocabulary
- - Give plenty of opportunity to practice
- Use or adapt readily available games and activities

Conclusion



- Refresher course, topic workshop and plenary talk
- Cultural visits
- Cultural exchange and talk
- Culture shock
- A significant and precious journey and a memorable
 - experience
- Appreciation

