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UNIT TEST - 1
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PART - A

I.

1. Explain about the method of teaching English and give your suggestion on best method.

Method of Teaching English:-

The term 'METHOD' is very ambiguous and it refers to the overall plan for the orderly presentations of language material, no part of which contradicts and all of which is based on selected approach and procedure.

A method includes three components namely Approach, Design and procedures,

Approach: * An account of the nature of the language proficiency.

* An account of the basic units of language structure.

* An account of the psycholinguistics and cognitive process involved in language learning

* An account of the conditions that allow for successful use of these process

Design: Design concerns itself with

* The general and specific objectives of the course.

* A Syllabus model.

* Types of learning and learning tasks

* Roles of learners and teachers

* Role of learning materials.

Procedure : procedure is concerned with,

The actual happenings in the classroom
classroom techniques, practices and behaviors.

* The term 'Method' is sometimes compared with the term 'Approach'. According to Yardi, "Method is rigid while Approach is flexible". pointing out the different views often held in less informed circle of teachers about the importance of method. He further asserts: 'what matters is the man (the teacher) not the method.'

* Yardi further explains the connotational difference between the terms 'method', 'methodology', and 'methodics'. These are often used in English language teaching pedagogy. Each one of them carries a different shade of meaning. 'Method' in his opinion is used in the context of language teaching methods like 'Direct method', 'The grammar-translation method' or 'The Bilingual method'.

* 'Method' is not strictly speaking a 'technical term'. It is a popular one, and means 'a way of doing something'. It is often used loosely as a substitute for 'methodology'.

* 'Methodology', according to Yardi, 'is a technical term which refers to a body of principles and techniques of teaching'.

* 'Methodics' means 'a framework of organization for language teaching which relates linguistic theory to pedagogical principles and techniques'.

In teaching of English, we would discuss following methods and approaches:

- * Grammar Translation method
- * Direct method
- * Bilingual method
- * The structural approach
- * Integrated approach
- * The communicative approach
- * Situational Approach

By the above methods, direct method is the best method.

Suggestions:-

* Direct method is the result of failure of Grammar Translation Method vis-a-vis in making the students to have practical command over English.

* If a language is taught directly where immediate association between experience and expression in words, phrase and meaning is possible, then there are all possibilities for learning the language.

* The basic aim of Direct method is to teach any foreign language through conversation, discussion and reading in the target language by associating the experience and expression without using the students mother tongue.

* And also, direct method is concern, it consists with some of the principles.

* By using the direct method, it gives more importance to speech. English is taught through English only. Students are given sufficient practice in listening to the language and then speaking it. Oral practice helps the students to associate with the objects and ideas for which they stand.

* The students are taught by showing the real objects or performing actions or by suitable illustration in context. This makes them to think in English and they learn to respond in English.

* No single word in English has a single meaning. All the words have connotative meanings. In Direct method meanings are taught contextually.

* Inductive method of teaching grammar is always good for the learners, as it makes the learners to frame the rules from the language they learn. So, they are able to comprehend the language well and frame the rules of the language better.

* New words are chosen after careful selection and graduation and they are taught at definite stages through spoken language. So, the students learn more vocabulary.

* By the above principles of Direct method, I conclude that it is the Best method in the methods of teaching English.

2. What is eclectic method? why is it called the best of teaching?

Eclectic method:-

- * Eclectic approach is a method of language education that combines various approaches and methodologies to teach language depending on the aims of the lesson and the abilities of the learners.

- * Different teaching methods are borrowed and adapted to suit the requirement of the learners.

- * The term "eclectic approach" refers to a teaching approach that is not based on a single method but that draws on several different method principles that are made use of in practice.

- * An eclectic approach is one which draws from many theories, including complementary, competing or even contradictory theories, depending upon the situation and client need.

- * John Dunning's Eclectic Model, introduced in 1976, and refined by him several times since then (1988, 1993), is a key contribution to the separation of international business (IBS) from international economics and trade theory and to the development of global strategy.

- * In the move away from teachers following one specific methodology, the eclectic approach is the label given to a teacher's use of techniques and activities from a range of language teaching approaches and methodologies.

Eclectic method is the best of teaching:-

According to Rivers, an eclectic approach allows language teachers "to absorb the best techniques of all the well-known language-teaching methods into their classroom procedures, using them for the purposes for which they are most appropriate".

Eclectic counselling approach:-

As its name indicates, eclectic therapy is a therapeutic approach that incorporates a variety of therapeutic principles and philosophies in order to create the ideal treatment program to meet the specific needs of the patient or client. Eclectics use techniques from all schools of therapy.

Application:-

Eclectic approach to teaching language: The eclectic approach is the label given to a teacher's use of techniques and activities from a range of language teaching approaches and methodologies. The teacher decides what methodology or approach to use depending on the aims of the lesson and the learners in the group.

Eclectic research:-

Intensive research is a strategy used to demonstrate that the findings from a study are reliable. Eclectic research is a strategy that tries to demonstrate that the findings from a study have construct validity.

PART-B

3. what is CAI? Give brief notes on it?

Computer Assisted Instruction (CAI):-

A self-learning technique, usually offline/online, involving interaction of the student with programmed instructional materials. Computer-assisted instruction (CAI) is an interactive instructional technique whereby a computer is used to present the instructional material and monitor the learning that takes place.

CAI provides:-

- * Text or multimedia content
- * Multiple-choice questions
- * problems
- * Immediate feedback
- * Notes on incorrect responses
- * Summarizes students performance
- * Exercises of practice
- * worksheets and tests

Types of computer Assisted Instruction:-

Drill and practice: Drill and practice provide opportunities for students to repeatedly practice the skills that have previously been presented and that further practice is necessary for mastery.

Tutorial: Tutorial activity includes both the presentation of information and its extension into different forms of work, including drill and practice, games and simulation.

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Games: Game software often creates a contest to achieve the highest score and either beat others or beat the computer.

Simulation: Simulation software can provide an approximation of reality that does not require the expense of real life or its risks.

Discovery: Discovery approach provides a large database of information specific to a course or content area and challenges the learner to analyse, compare, infer and evaluate based on their data.

Advantages of CAI:-

- * One-to-one interaction
- * Great motivator
- * Freedom to experiment with different options.
- * Self-pacing - allow students to proceed at their own pace.
- * privacy helps the shy and slow learners to learn
- * Individual attention.
- * Learn more and more rapidly.
- * Multimedia helps to understand difficult concepts through multi-sensory approach

Disadvantages of CAI:-

- * May feel overwhelmed by the information and resources available.
- * Over use of multimedia may divert the attention from the content
- * Learning becomes too mechanical
- * Non-availability of good CAI packages
- * Lack of infrastructure

4. write down the demerits of direct and bilingual method?

Disadvantages of Direct method :-

- * It is not a complete method : The direct Method gives much importance to speech. It almost neglects reading and writing. It fails to give a balanced language development in the students. So, it is an incomplete method.

- * It requires competent teachers : Teachers should be very competent in using English to the level of the students.

- * It demands linguistically qualitative students :- As the discussion and teaching are all there in English, it demands highly linguistically interested qualitative students. Otherwise, the efforts of the teacher will be futile.

- * Non-availability of proper aids :- we don't have enough facilities that can support our teaching in making a direct bond between the objects and the ideas that they stand for.

- * Over crowded class : Individual attention at every stage of teaching is required in this method. Small classes are advisable to this method. Unfortunately, all the Indian classes are over-crowded.

- * Difficult Verbal explanation : In most of the cases, teachers are forced to rely on verbal explanation. Apart from it being difficult, it leads to boredom as verbal is a perennial villain in the classroom.

Disadvantages of Bilingual method:-

- * This method is still in an experimental stage
- * It is not so useful in teaching secondary and senior secondary classes
- * It is sometimes rather impossible to provide a correct mother tongue equivalent.
- * It may create confusion among students due to the contrast between the features of two languages
- * Students are likely to develop an undesirable habit of language.

PART - C

III

5. What is method?

The term 'METHOD' is very ambiguous, and refers to the overall plan for the orderly presentations of language material, no part of which contradicts and all of which is based on selected approach and procedure.

6. Give two merits of ICT in language teaching.

- * Communication: Speed/ time - money can be saved because it's much quicker to move information around.
- * Globalization: Video conferencing saves money on flights and accommodation.

7. Give some principles of CAI method.

CAI is a self learning and interactive instructional technique including association of the students with programmed instructional materials whereby a computer is utilized to exhibit the instructional material and monitor the learning that happens.

8. What is CALT method?

CALT - Computer Assisted Language Teaching

An increasingly used electronic device in education today is a computer. Computer has become both a language medium and an aid to instruction. CAI is a form of programmed instruction.

9. What is story method?

Storytelling can be used as a method to teach ethics, values and cultural norms and differences.

Learning is most effective when it takes place in social environments that provide authentic social cues about how knowledge is to be applied.