

METHODS OF TEACHING SPEAKING IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE LESSONS

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Abstract: Developing speaking skills is a crucial aspect of foreign language acquisition. This article explores various methods employed in foreign language classrooms to enhance student speaking proficiency. It analyzes traditional approaches like conversation practice and guided discussions alongside more innovative techniques such as role-playing, simulations, and technology-assisted activities. The article discusses the strengths and weaknesses of each method, highlighting factors that contribute to successful speaking instruction.

Key words: Foreign language speaking, Teaching methods, Conversation practice, Role-playing, Simulations, Technology-assisted language learning (TALL), Error correction, Scaffolding;

МЕТОДИКА ОБУЧЕНИЯ ГОВОРЕНИЮ НА УРОКАХ ИНОСТРАННОГО ЯЗЫКА

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Аннотация: Развитие разговорных навыков является важнейшим аспектом овладения иностранным языком. В этой статье исследуются различные методы, используемые на уроках иностранного языка для повышения уровня разговорной речи учащихся. В нем анализируются традиционные подходы, такие как разговорная практика и управляемые дискуссии, а также более

инновационные методы, такие как ролевые игры, моделирование и деятельность с использованием технологий. В статье рассматриваются сильные и слабые стороны каждого метода, выделяются факторы, способствующие успешному обучению разговорной речи.

Ключевые слова: разговорная речь на иностранном языке, методы обучения, разговорная практика, ролевые игры, моделирование, изучение языка с помощью технологий, исправление ошибок, строительные леса;

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Annotatsiya: Nutq qobiliyatini rivojlantirish chet tilini o'zlashtirishning eng muhim jihati hisoblanadi. Ushbu maqolada o'quvchilarning nutqiy ko'nikmalarini oshirish uchun chet tili darslarida qo'llaniladigan turli usullar o'rganiladi. U nutq amaliyoti va boshqariladigan munozaralar kabi an'anaviy yondashuvlarni, shuningdek, rol o'ynash, modellashtirish va texnologiya takomillashtirilgan faoliyat kabi innovatsion usullarni o'rganadi. Maqolada har bir usulning kuchli va zaif tomonlari ko'rib chiqiladi, nutq tilini muvaffaqiyatli o'rganishga yordam beradigan omillar ta'kidlanadi.

Kalitso'zlar: chettilida so'zlash, o'qitish usullari, nutqamaliyoti, rollio'yinlar, modellashtirish, texnologiya yordamida til o'rganish, xatolarni tuzatish, iskala;

Introduction

The ability to communicate effectively in spoken language is a fundamental aim of foreign language learning. Beyond textbook knowledge, students require opportunities to practice speaking and develop fluency. This article examines a range of methods utilized in foreign language classrooms to foster speaking proficiency.

Literature Review

Extensive research has investigated effective methods for teaching speaking in foreign language lessons. Key findings highlight the importance of:

- ❖ Communication-based approaches: These methods emphasize authentic communication tasks that encourage students to use the language for real-world purposes [1].
- ❖ Task-based learning: This approach focuses on completing tasks that require spoken communication, promoting fluency and accuracy [2].
- ❖ Scaffolding: Teachers can provide structured support, such as prompts or sentence starters, to help students express themselves more effectively [3].
- ❖ Error correction: While creating a low-anxiety environment is important, providing constructive feedback on pronunciation and grammar can aid progress [4].
- ❖ Technology integration: Utilizing online platforms, recording tools, and mobile apps can create engaging speaking activities and opportunities for self-directed practice [5].

Research Methodology

A qualitative research approach could be employed to analyze the effectiveness of various speaking methods. This may involve:

- ✓ Observation: Researchers can observe foreign language classrooms where different speaking methods are implemented.
- ✓ Interviews: Conducting interviews with teachers and students can provide insights into their experiences with specific methods.
- ✓ Focus groups: Facilitating discussions among students can reveal their perceptions of the effectiveness of different speaking activities.

Traditional Methods:

- Conversation Practice: Controlled activities like pair work and group discussions allow students to practice basic conversational skills in a structured environment.

- Guided Discussions: Pre-designed questions and topics guide class discussions, promoting vocabulary use and the development of complex sentences. [1,2]

Innovative Techniques:

- ❖ Role-Playing: Students participate in scenarios relevant to real-world situations, simulating conversations and practicing appropriate language use.
- ❖ Simulations: Interactive activities, such as mock interviews or presentations, create a sense of real-world application for language skills.
- ❖ Communicative Approach: This approach prioritizes real-world communication over grammar drills. It emphasizes tasks and activities that encourage interaction and exchange of information.
- ❖ Technology-Assisted Language Learning (TALL): Software and online tools provide opportunities for individualized practice with pronunciation, fluency, and self-assessment.
- ❖ Pair Work: Working in pairs allows students to practice speaking in a less intimidating environment, promoting interaction and peer learning.
- ❖ Discussion: Facilitating class discussions on various topics encourages students to express their opinions and engage in extended spoken interaction.[3,5]
- ❖ Enhancing Speaking Instruction: Effective speaking instruction goes beyond simply implementing methods. Here are some crucial factors:
 - ✓ Error Correction: Constructive feedback on pronunciation and grammar helps students learn from mistakes without hindering fluency.
 - ✓ Scaffolding: Providing prompts, vocabulary lists, and sentence starters can support students during complex speaking tasks.[4]
 - ✓ Authentic Materials: Utilizing real-world materials like movies, podcasts, and news articles provides exposure to natural language use.
 - ✓ Creating a Safe Space: Fostering a supportive classroom environment encourages risk-taking and participation in speaking activities.

Balancing Fluency and Accuracy

While promoting fluency is essential, some level of accuracy is also necessary. Effective teaching strikes a balance, allowing students to practice speaking freely while providing gentle error correction and focusing on key grammar points gradually. [6]

Creating a Supportive Environment

Fostering a positive classroom climate is crucial for encouraging students to speak. This includes promoting active listening, celebrating small successes, and creating opportunities for students to take risks without fearing judgment for mistakes.[7]

Data Analysis and Results

The collected data (observations, interview transcripts, and focus group discussions) would be analyzed thematically to identify key patterns and insights. The analysis would focus on:

- Effectiveness of specific methods in promoting fluency, accuracy, and overall speaking confidence.
- Student engagement and motivation levels associated with different speaking activities.
- Teacher perspectives on the challenges and benefits of implementing various methods.

Conclusion

A successful approach to teaching foreign language speaking integrates a variety of methods, tailored to the specific needs and learning styles of students. By combining traditional techniques with innovative approaches and fostering a supportive learning environment, educators can equip students with the confidence and skills to communicate effectively in the target language.[8]By incorporating a variety of methods and fostering a supportive classroom environment, educators can create dynamic learning experiences that enhance foreign language speaking skills. Continuous exploration and adaptation of teaching methods, coupled with

ongoing research on their effectiveness, are crucial for promoting successful language acquisition and spoken fluency.

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