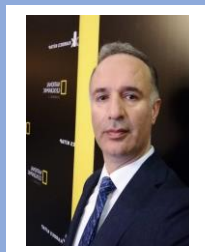


Amir Esmkhani Bio & Training Topic Menu



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Number	Topic (alphabetical)	Explanation
1	Assessment	The features of Learner Oriented Assessment which make it different from Testing.
2	Assessment (portfolio)	How to embrace the new assessment paradigm and use portfolios to collect data on student progress.
3	Autonomy	The definition of autonomy and the importance of growing autonomous students and suggested ways for that.
4	Blended Learning	Incorporation of technology in language teaching. How to use technology to enrich teaching and learning.
5	Bloom's Taxonomy	Framing the teaching of language by applying the six steps of Bloom's Taxonomy to have a full circle teaching.
6	Bullying	What is bullying and how can teachers intervene? Different types of bullying and their impacts.
7	Classroom management	All the techniques and tricks a teacher needs to employ to maximize students' learning in the classroom environment.
8	CLIL	Content and Language Integrated Learning. The principles and issues around CLIL.
9	Confident Communicators	In what ways can we help our students become more confident speakers?
10	Critical Thinking & Creativity	21st Century values to be addressed in education. Discovering how we can hone learners critical thinking.
11	Drama in ELT	The role of performative pedagogy in teaching languages. Differences between DIE & TIE.
12	Engagement	Maximizing students' engagement in language classes. Differentiating engagement, attendance, and participation.
13	Error Treatment	Differentiating the constructs and deciding when and how to correct students' mistakes.
14	Flipped Classroom	Saving time and engaging the learners through flipping the class.
15	Gamification	Exploring the potential of some games in teaching language.

16	Grammar	How to teach grammar. Different approaches to teaching grammar for various levels.
17	Input-based Language Teaching	Using Krashen's optimal input theory as well as Chomsky's LAD in language teaching.
18	Integration	Skills Integration. A holistic approach to language teaching. Introducing integrative tasks.
19	L1/L2	How much L1 are we allowed to use in language classes? Does L1 help or hinder second language learning?
20	Learning Styles	The different learner types (visual, aural, kinesthetic, RW) and how we should address them.
21	Lesson Planning	The fundamentals of lesson planning. The significance of it and the components.
22	Motivation	Different types of motivation and the significance of them in ELT. The do's and don'ts.
23	Observation	Peer Observation. Why and how we observe peers and how we benefit from it.
24	Principles	Teaching by Principles. The must know of teaching language for all English teachers.
25	Rapport	How to establish proper relationship with our students and why establishing rapport is a must for optimal learning.
26	Reading	How to Teach Reading. How to take full advantage of texts using reading skills.
27	Story	Stories in Education. How to use stories in learning languages.
28	TBLT	How to utilize Task Based Language Teaching? Definition of TBLT and techniques.
29	Vocabulary	How to teach vocabulary. How to maximize vocabulary retention based on works of Jeff McQuillan.
30	Writing	From paragraph writing to essay writing. The fundamentals of essay writing; what should an essay look like?

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