

DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF SPEAKING SKILLS IN THE PROCESS OF TEACHING ENGLISH

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Annotation: *the theme of developing and improving speaking skills in the process of teaching English emphasizes the importance of creating a supportive and interactive learning environment for students. It highlights the need for regular speaking practice, pronunciation focus, active participation, and constructive feedback to help students gain confidence and fluency in speaking English. The theme also emphasizes the integration of speaking activities into all language skills, the use of authentic materials, technology, and peer feedback to enhance students' speaking abilities. Overall, the theme underscores the significance of effective teaching strategies in supporting the development and improvement of students' speaking skills in the context of learning English as a second language.*

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One of the most crucial abilities to hone in order to communicate effectively is speaking. One of the hardest parts of learning a language is said to be speaking. It might be challenging for many language learners to express themselves orally. Generally speaking, they struggle to successfully communicate in a foreign language. They cease communicating due to psychological barriers or a lack of appropriate words and phrases. In today's world of mass media and communication, fluency in spoken English is essential. This essay seeks to demonstrate the importance of concentrating on the variables influencing language learners' proficiency in speaking English.

Around the world, significant changes have been occurring in this period of globalization. Extreme vicissitudes like this happen to those who are driven to succeed. When people articulate their thoughts clearly, their aspirations are satisfied and views with other people. To achieve their aspirations, wants, and goals, people must so acquire communication abilities. Effective communication is essential in today's society, and mastering these abilities is necessary to succeed in one's chosen area. Therefore, of all of our language abilities, speaking is the most crucial for effective communication in modern global society. Speaking in other languages has long been regarded as the most important talent to acquire for a number of reasons.

Similarly, other authors such as Anne Lazaraton suggest that oral communication is based on four dimensions or competences: grammatical competence (phonology, vocabulary, word and sentence formation...); sociolinguistic competence (rules for interaction, social meanings); discourse competence (cohesion and how sentences are linked together); and finally, strategic competence (compensatory strategies to use in difficult situations), (Lazaraton, 2001: 104). According to Lazaraton learners should develop all these abilities to acquire a high oral level of the foreign language, but she adds that in recent years, with the influence of the communicative approach, more importance is given to fluency, trying to achieve a balance with the traditional accuracy.

To improve speech skills, it is necessary to pay attention to some important aspects. They are:

- the pronunciation of some words in the English language,
- the amount of vocabulary,
- to have studied grammar correctly
- get into poetry
- speak to strangers.
- The pronunciation of some words in the English language

Speaking a word correctly is known as pronunciation. Many English words are not pronounced exactly as they are spelled for a number of reasons, and several sounds can be represented by more than one letter combination. For example, note that the terms do, was, and fuzz are all rhyming.

- The amount of vocabulary

Focusing on vocabulary is useful for developing knowledge and skills in many areas of language and literacy. This includes help with decoding (phoneme awareness and sound), comprehension as well as fluency.

- To have studied grammar correctly

Using incorrect grammar can lead to sentences being meaningless and the message unclear, which in turn can lead to misinterpretation by a communication partner. Using correct grammar makes listening and reading easier for others to understand and can make the communication process more enjoyable. Taking grammar lessons will teach you how to form complete sentences using correct grammar. They also improve your writing skills and vocabulary. The more you practice writing and reading, the better you will understand grammar in text and speech to form sentences.

- Get into poetry

Many of us have preconceived notions about poetry that can prevent us from truly enjoying and understanding it. Unlike a book or an essay, poetry is meant to be read aloud, just as song lyrics are. Understanding the mechanics of what a good poem is will help you to speak fluently about it. If you're interested in learning more about creative writing and poetry, the University of Newcastle Australia has a six-hour course on

‘Creative Writing and Poetics’. It’s spread out over three weeks. If you’re also interested in learning how to read a poem, the University of York has a course on ‘How to Read a Poem’.

□ Speak to strangers.

The best way to speak effectively is to think about the person you're speaking to. If you want to get better, you'll need to speak to as many people as you can. That means speaking to people from all walks of life whenever you can. It's possible that you'll have plenty of opportunities to speak to lots of different people if you're willing to go for them.

In conclusion, teachers can and should help students develop their speaking abilities and communication strategies. All they have to do is organize their lessons around two primary goals: what they want to teach and which specific speaking skills they want to help students develop, as well as how they want to teach it.

Access to spoken English enables to transform our ideas, views, opinions, thoughts, emotions, to obtain information from others and to solve problems and issues.

Spoken English is a gateway to improve and achieve success in career of the students.

Hence English occupies a prominent place in the education system too. It is taught compulsorily in almost all the states so that it can be means of communication of people belonging to different states as well as countries.

The present study is an attempt to study the needs of the students to use English as the medium of communication and explore the ways of helping the students to speak fluently and confidently which is useful for them in seeking employment and achieve success in their career. The use of correct pronunciation and intonation, speaking coherently on a topic are the objectives of this study.

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