

THE IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING VOCABULARY IN LANGUAGE LEARNING AND WAYS OF TEACHING VOCABULARY

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Abstract: *It is well known issue that so as to build learners knowledge in terms of the English language, vocabulary plays a great role. Therefore, in this article, the importance of vocabulary is discussed by giving exact explanations. What is more, the review examines why vocabulary is essential in school period, and then provides different crucial ways, which a teacher can implement into the classroom.*

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In last decades, learning English as a second or foreign language has become more vital in education system. Consequently, educating students in an efficient way and finding useful techniques are important for teachers. It is obviously known that vocabulary stands at the highest priority to the English language. This is due to the fact that without sufficient vocabulary, it is unfeasible for students to have in touch with others. Moreover, they may face some difficulties when it comes to express their own ideas as well as thoughts in English. If learners want to learn IELTS, CEFR or others, vocabulary is vital for them in order to get good target band score. Firstly, to achieve success in learning foreign language, learners must know the true definition of vocabulary. English vocabulary is complicated including three main aspects related to form, meaning, and use of it, as well as layers of meaning relevant to the roots. Teaching vocabulary is not just about words but also it includes lexical phrases and knowledge of English vocabulary. Scientists say that vocabulary is a list of words with

their meaning or it is a stock of words used for communication. Vocabulary can be defined as the words we educate in the foreign language. Despite the fact that, a new item of vocabulary can be more than just a single word: for instance, fire brigade, and sister-in-law, which are made from two or three words but define a single idea. An important convention is to cover all such cases by talking about vocabulary "items" than "words. From these definitions, it can be summarized that vocabulary is the total number of words that are needed to communicate ideas and express the speakers' thoughts. That is the reason why it is crucial to sharpen vocabulary. So as to that learners acquire good results in learning vocabulary, students should understand the benefits of it. Commonly, there are several effective techniques concerning the teaching of vocabulary. However, all ways of learning vocabulary demand pupils a great deal of patient and practice.

One of the most useful techniques is that learners should learn words like a chain not to forget. For instance, if you learn a word namely an apple, you should learn all vocabulary relevant to this item such as red, eatable, delicious. In this case, knowing how to use them in context is important. Therefore, learners not only should remember a word but also should know how to use them in context. Another strategy is utilizing objects. It can be said that it is the best way to help students to learn by heart and retain the new words they are introduced to is to connect it with an object in the real world. This technique may include the use of realia, visual aids, and other demonstrations. They can function to help learners in remembering vocabulary efficiently, for our memory for objects and pictures is very reliable and visual techniques can act as cues for learning by heart words without forgetting. In addition, Gairn and Redman state that real objects technique is appropriately employed for beginners or young learners and when presenting concrete vocabulary. Of course, objects can be acceptable to show meanings when vocabulary consists of concrete nouns. Introducing a new word by showing the real object often render learners to memorize the word through visualization and it is very appropriate for young

learners. Next one is pictures. Pictures are interesting and useful for young learners to improve their knowledge. Pictures tend to connect students prior knowledge to a new story, and meanwhile; they help students learn new words. There are lots of vocabulary that can be introduced by using illustrations, as well as pictures. They are brilliant means of making the meaning of unknown words clearer. They should be used as often as possible in the classroom to make lessons more interesting. The list of pictures includes many items such as posters, flashcards, wall charts, magazine pictures, board drawings, stick figures and photographs. Apart from those drawn by the teacher or students, there are sets of colorful pictures that are designed for schools. Pictures that are cut out of newspapers and magazines are very interesting as well. Currently, there are plenty of vocabulary books and course books that contain a number of attention grabbing pictures that present the meaning of basic words on internet and costs of them is affordable or totally free. The teacher can also utilize learning materials provided by the school. Furthermore, they can also make their own visual aids or used pictures from magazines or colorful paper. Visual aids help learners to catch up the meaning and helps to make the word more memorable. To sum up, to speak in a foreign language, knowing a stock of words is vital. Because, vocabulary is the core of learning languages effectively. It is impossible to socialize with others without sufficient vocabulary. Therefore, it is essential to find more effective and useful ways of teaching vocabulary including visual aids, pictures, real things. Teachers should provide their learners with opportunities to master an understanding of new vocabulary in context. By enhancing learners vocabulary skills, teacher can lead their students to bright future

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