

EFFECTIVE TASK MANAGEMENT ACROSS LESSON STAGES

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Annotation: *In the realm of education, the effectiveness of a lesson hinges not just on the topic at hand, but also significantly on the structure and tasks assigned at various stages of the lesson. An organized approach to lesson planning can enhance student engagement, understanding, and retention of knowledge. This article delves into the tasks associated with different stages of a lesson and explores innovative methods that can be employed for maximum efficacy.*

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Task management is the process of overseeing a task through its lifecycle. It involves planning, testing, tracking, and reporting. Task management can help individuals achieve goals or enable groups of individuals to collaborate and share knowledge for the accomplishment of collective goals.[1,1] Tasks are also differentiated by complexity, from low to high [1,1]. Task management is an important part of project management and process management. It helps create a smooth workflow in an organization. Project managers who focus on managing tasks keep a clear and current project schedule. They are usually skilled at guiding team members and making sure the project progresses. According to the international study TALIS-2013 (Teaching and Learning International Survey), “The proportion of teachers under 29 years of age rate their training in school content as good (61.5%) and very good (23.38%). They evaluate their training in the field of teaching the subject as good (67,43%) and very good (20.38%). The proportion of teachers under the age of 29 rate their training in pedagogical practice in the subject as good (59.81%) and very good (24.33%) [2,100].

Pre-Lesson Preparation .Lesson preparing and planning It's helpful to know what you're going to do before starting a lesson. The more prepared you are, the more likely you will be able to deal with whatever happens. Planning expands your options and increases your chances of a successful lesson. Planning is visualizing the lesson before it occurs. A lesson plan is typically a one or two-page document divided into sections that describe what will happen in the classroom on each day [3,1]. The initial stage of any lesson is critical for setting the tone and laying the groundwork for student engagement. Pre-lesson





tasks should focus on activating prior knowledge and introducing the essential concepts. One effective method is utilizing concept maps. These visual tools allow students to make connections between what they already know and the new information they will encounter. Teachers can facilitate this by asking students to brainstorm in small groups before the lesson starts, thus creating an environment ripe for open discussion. Additionally, pre-lesson tasks can involve pre-assessment activities, such as quizzes or polls, which can inform the educator about students' existing knowledge levels. This data is invaluable for tailoring the lesson to meet the students' needs and ensuring that all learners are appropriately challenged.

During the Lesson. The core of the lesson is where the main instructional tasks take place. It is essential during this stage to employ a range of teaching methods to cater to diverse learning styles. For instance, a blend of direct instruction with interactive activities can maintain student engagement. One innovative approach here is the “flipped classroom” model. In this method, students learn new content at home through videos or readings and then spend classroom time engaging in problem-solving or collaborative projects. This promotes active learning and allows for deeper exploration of the material. Furthermore, integrating technology through the use of educational apps or interactive platforms encourages active participation. For instance, tools like Kahoot can transform routine quizzes into competitive games, enhancing motivation and retention of information. Another crucial task during this stage is fostering a supportive environment for questions and feedback. Regularly incorporating formative assessments, such as quick write-ups or think-pair-share activities, can provide insight into student comprehension. These methods not only promote peer learning but also allow teachers to adjust their instruction dynamically based on student responses.

Post-Lesson Reflection

The conclusion of a lesson serves as a vital moment for reflection and consolidation of learning. Post-lesson tasks should focus on reinforcing the material and assessing student understanding. A commonly utilized method is the “exit ticket,” where students are asked to write down a key takeaway or a question they still have before leaving the classroom. This not only reinforces learning but also provides the teacher with valuable feedback on areas that may require further clarification.

Error Correction Codes: Teachers usually correct the mistakes that students make. However, it might be better for students to fix their own errors. To make this happen, both students and teachers should agree on a simple way to mark mistakes. Use codes to indicate types of errors without completely rewriting students' work. **Encouragement:** Remind students that making mistakes is part of learning.





Assessing Learning Outcomes in the Audio-Lingual Method
Designing Effective Assessments .

Create assessments that align with ALM principles. Examples include:
Role-Playing Tests: Assess students' speaking skills through role-play scenarios.

Oral Exams: Require students to demonstrate their conversational abilities.

Interpreting Assessment Results

Analyzing assessment data helps track student progress. Consider these methods:
Performance Tracking: Keep records of scores to identify areas of improvement.

Feedback Surveys: Collect data on students' perceptions of their learning progress.

Adapting the Audio-Lingual Method for Diverse Learners

Catering to Different Learning Styles.

Every student learns differently.

Adapt ALM techniques to accommodate various learning styles:

Visual Learners: Incorporate images and visual aids in dialogues.

Auditory Learners:

Use songs and listening activities to reinforce learning.

Kinesthetic Learners: Integrate movements and role-playing to enhance engagement.
Addressing Learner Needs.

Understand the diverse backgrounds of your students.

Consider: Language Proficiency: Differentiate activities for beginners and advanced learners.
Cultural Relevance:

Use examples and scenarios familiar to students' cultural experiences.

Additionally, encouraging students to engage in self-assessment fosters a sense of ownership over their learning journey.

Reflection journals or discussion boards can facilitate this process, allowing students to articulate their thoughts on how they have progressed and what they might need to focus on moving forward.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the integration of well-structured tasks through various stages of a lesson is pivotal for effective teaching and learning.


By employing innovative methods, educators can cultivate engaging learning environments that cater to diverse needs, ultimately enhancing student success.

Through careful planning and adaptation, teachers can harness the full potential of each lesson, paving the way for transformative educational experience.

Implementing the Audio-Lingual Method can greatly enhance language learning.

It emphasizes repetition, immediate feedback, and immersive practices.





By adapting these techniques to cater to diverse learners, teachers can create an engaging environment that fosters language proficiency.

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