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Learning to Plan and Planning to Learn

A Practical Guide to Lesson Planning and Classroom Management

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In today's presentation we will.....

- explore the advantages and disadvantages of planning with the course book
- look at how to become more autonomous when planning
- examine how classroom management and lesson planning are connected
- devise a practical lesson plan





The worst lesson ever! What is your idea of a nightmare English lesson?





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Think of your own teaching experience

What components are needed to make a good Primary English lesson?









A good English lesson.....

- has clear learning aims/objectives/outcomes
- has a variety of activities and materials
- has a variety of interaction patterns
- caters for different learning styles and difficulties so includes everybody
- is appropriately challenging
- is flexible and adaptable
- is interesting and engages all the students
- is well timed





A good lesson is well prepared and planned in advance!





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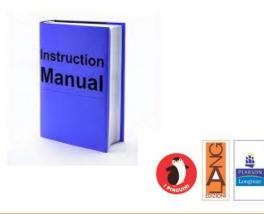
If you have a course book to follow, why do you have to plan in advance?

Imagine doing a parachute jump for the first time



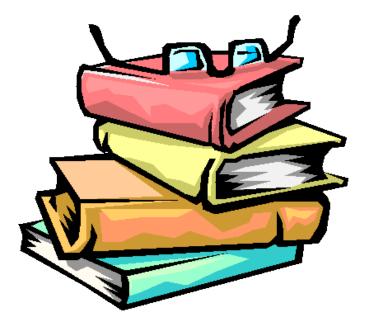
Would you jump <u>first</u>.....

...... and then read the instruction manual?





Doesn't a good course book and teacher's guide do all the planning for you?





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A Good Course Book and Teacher's Book

- ✓ Divided into levels, clear syllabus
- ✓ Structured into lessons and units
- ✓ Subjects and content familiar and interesting to children
- ✓ Units and lessons that practice all skills, vocabulary and grammar
- ✓ Indication of interaction patterns for activities
- Material for testing, remedial work and challenging fast learners



No Course Book is Perfect

- Designed for general audience or target
- All teaching situations, classes and students are different, special and unique
- Teachers must address the individual needs of students to allow them to learn best
- It is not the course book but HOW materials are used that is important
- It is not the course book that does the teaching but the TEACHER



A Course Book is an Aid to Teaching AND

'should be used as a menu from which you choose, rather than a recipe which you follow rigidly'. Brewster and Ellis 2002



Benefits of Personalised Lesson Plans, Formats or Models

- Teacher becomes more confident
- Provide a systematic outline or reference
- Teacher can easily select and choose materials and activities and slot them into model
- Provide a basis for future planning
- Teacher can cater for different types of students
- Give a sense of direction in relation to syllabus
- Teacher has an opportunity to self evaluate performance
- Teacher is free to give full attention to students



Benefits for the Student

- A set format represents the basis of a routine
- Young learners feel safe, secure and happy
- Older learners will learn what to expect, concentrate and not disrupt







'A lesson is a carefully managed event which needs a framework: a beginning, a middle and an end.'

Rivers 1981



The Lesson Framework

BEGINNING

Warm up Presentation

MIDDLE

END

Practice Production

Round up

Review



Purpose of Lesson Stages

Warm Up :

• to focus students on lesson

Song, chant, ryhme

Game to review language from previous lesson

Give aims and objectives of lesson



Songs and Ryhmes From Top Secret 1

MY HAND SAYS HELLO! MY HAND SAYS HELLO! HELLO MY FRIEND! HELLO! MY HAND SAYS HELLO!

HELLO BOYS AND GIRLS! HOW ARE YOU TODAY? HELLO BOYS AND GIRLS! LET'S HAVE FUN ALL DAY!



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Presentation

• introduce new language and focus of lesson

Flashcards games

Pictures

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Purpose of Lesson Stages

Practice

• to practice language closely controlled by the teacher, concentrating on form, accuracy and pronunciation

Written exercises

Controlled dialogues across the class or in pairs



Example of Controlled Practice Dialogue

In pairs ask and answer about the family members **BIG SISTER** BABY SISTER **BIG BROTHER BABY BROTHER** AUNTY Yes, I Have you have. got a BIG UNCLE SISTER? COUSIN No, I haven't.



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Production

to allow students to experiment with new language through freer activities

Pair work and group work

Surveys

Information exchanges

Project work



Purpose of Lesson Stages

Round up and Review

• to summarise lesson, confirm lesson aims and review students performance (informally)

Ask students what they did in the lesson and why

Ask students a question relating to lesson before they leave

Give homework





 TIME OF LESSON:1 hour
 CLASS LEVEL: 2
 NO. OF STUDENTS: 24

 LESSON OBJECTIVES:
 MATERIALS NEEDED: PHOTOS, PHOTOCOPIES OF SURVEY

TIMING	PROCEDURE	INTERACTION	PERSONAL NOTES





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	Practice From book -students complete sentences with have got		
	Production Class survey about sisters and brothers		
	Round up and Review Ask results of survey		



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TROUBLE –SHOOTING Pair work or Group work Problems and Solutions

When I try to set up pair or group work the class degenerates into chaos'

- Short simple clear instructions
- Do a demonstration with stronger students
- Keep activity short
- Have clear learning outcomes

'The children use a lot of Italian and misbehave'

• Have a competition element and reward system

'In my school the desks are fixed and the students can't run around the class'

- Work with the students nearest to desk
- Use coloured markers or flags to make groupings clear



Games to Introduce Pair work and Group Work

Work it together

• Teacher gives these instructions :'Face your partner! Say hello! Shake hands! Do a high five!Swap places!'

Matching Pairs

- Choose a lexical set, e.g. animals
- Make 2 identical pictures of things from that set, eg 2 cats, 2 dogs
- Distribute randomly to children
- Each child must find his/her matching pair

Fruit Salad

- Point to the children in turn saying 'apple, orange, banana, pear' until every child has been designated one of the 4 fruits
- Check they remember their fruit, e.g. say 'apple' and all the 'apples' stand up.(Say 'fruit salad' and everyone stands up)
- The children find their fruit and this is their group to work in.



Let's make a lesson plan!

From Top Secret Level 5 Unit 3

What is the language objective? What stage of the lesson is this? (warmer, presentation, production?)







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Let's make a lesson plan!

From Top Secret Level 5 Unit 3

What came before:students have studied words for shops e.g. butcher, baker

What comes after: students will learn how to say directions

What would you do as a warmer and presentation?



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Warmer and Presentation

Warmer

- Ask students where you go to buy certain items to re-elicit shop names.
 E.g. I want some sausages. Which shop do I go to? Where can I buy bread?
- Presentation
- Choose 3 or 4 confident students to come to the front of the class
- Give them a flashcard with a picture of a shop on it e.g butcher's , baker's chemist, toyshop. Tell them to hold the card in front of them
- Put two students next to each other and introduce the preposition E.g the butcher's is next to the baker's. And so on
- Encourage the class to repeat
- Move the students at the front and re-elicit the words from the class



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What would you do for the production stage?



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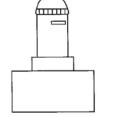


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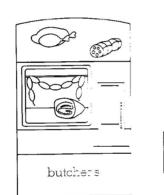
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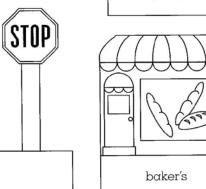
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Production Stage

- Get the students to cut out and colour the shops (could do for homework in previous lesson to save time)
- Put the students in pairs with a partition between them
- Student A arranges his/her shops but doesn't show Student B. She/he describes the arrangement using prepositions of place to Student B
- Student B listens and arranges his/her shops according to student A's instructions
- They then remove the partition and compare



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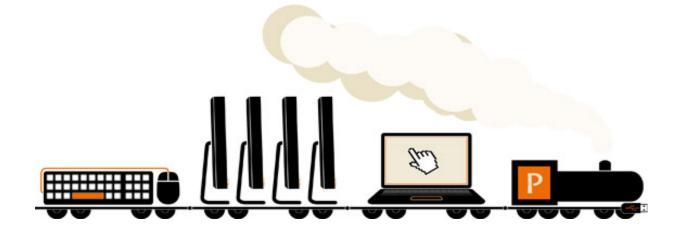
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- Gli attestati di partecipazione vi saranno inviati via e-mail
- Nella medesima email troverete anche le istruzioni per scaricare, dal sito Pearson, i materiali presentati oggi







Prossimi appuntamenti:

7 novembre

A come... accompagnare gli apprendimenti e valorizzare le differenze in classe

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