



TEACHING OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE THROUGH ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

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ABSTRACT

Today's world is advanced with various technologies. The world is ahead with globalization and Information Technology. It is necessary for everyone to be in touch with technology. In educational field, it is necessary to use such latest technological development. English is considered as global, international and business language. English language plays very important role for survival. To become successful, students must learn English language properly. The role of teacher is important. Through digital classrooms and with the help of language lab, students learn the English language.

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In the Era of globalization and Information Technology, it is essential to introduce the use of modern technology in the field of education. Especially in English language teaching process, we can use various devices to facilitate teaching. Since language is one of the means of communication, it plays vital role in communication. Language learning is the primary instinct of every human being which helps in the process of development and socialization of an individual. So it has wide significance at the disciplinary level. English is the global language on the window of the world. English language is considered as International language. Also it is recognized as business/corporate language worldwide. Around the world, near about 375 million people speak English. It is officially used in 54 countries. 1/3 of the total world's population speaks English. It reaches to every corner of the world. So it is called as a link language. In the modern era of

science and technology, it is a must language because 90% of research papers are written in English language. Multinational companies want the candidate with efficient English communication skills and knowledge. Technology is controlled by English Language. English language is influenced by all. It is known as library language. All the good literature from various languages is translated in English language.

At the beginning of the 21st century, there is tremendous change in technology and its use in education field. We can't imagine the education without the use of technology in the classrooms. Communication is not related to language only but it adds the study of different soft skills. The methods and the mediums of teaching have been changed. Various ranges of technologies are available in the market. The concept of digital classrooms are developed everywhere. Computer based teaching is

prime in digital classrooms. The use of computer and advance technology in English Teaching is marked as effective tool. The emerging media's in language teaching are language labs, PPT, study movies, Presentation videos, Group discussion, Debate, Interviews, Picture perception, i-books, Google books, online classes/ courses, Video conferencing, Online lectures, online grammar test, CD's, software's, mobile dictionary, moodle, online dictionary, Wi-Fi, talking pens and stickers, laptop, projectors, Skype, virtual conferencing rooms, emails, digital audio and video recorders, etc. With the help of all these mediums, students are able to learn English Language.

The present research paper proposes to study the role of advanced technology in English Language teaching. The main objective is to develop students' communication skills and send them for campus placements/ recruitment. It will help not only for the rural and regional medium background students but also English medium students to improve their communication skills. Many students are in hesitation and taking stress to come on the dais to present a paper or to perform any activity in English.

In India, English is considered as second language. India has accepted English language mandatorily in business, education and corporate world. Due to its vast spread, it is recognized to be prestigious language. As everyone knows the rising graph of English communication, it is must to use in day-to-day life compulsorily. Education policies in India have focused on the language formula where English is got important as one of the significant languages. Everywhere the number of English learners is increasing, simultaneously its methods are increasing to make more effectiveness in teaching. The teachers at the earlier time only use chalk-board and book methods but in the last twenty years, there is marvellous transformation in the use of technology in education. Teachers use these various aid in the classrooms. Due to these uses, interactive sessions are performed between teacher-student. These modern methods surpass the old methods of teaching and proved to be successful. The task of teacher has increased and

gives them challenge in their duty. About this Graddol states:

Technology lies at the heart of the globalization process; affecting education work and culture. The use of English language has increased rapidly after 1960. At present the role and status of English is that it is the language of social context, political, sociocultural, business, education, industries, media, library, communication across borders, and key subject in curriculum and language of imparting education.(2)

The number of English learners is rapidly growing in our country; the various techniques are implementing to get good results. The use of multimedia is the best effective tool for creating interest among the students to perform interactive sessions. Throughout all over the world, English speakers are increasing and so the demand of its learners. English language plays important role in every field like politics, business, media, organizations, and society. For this improvement, technology provides many opportunities to enhance teaching methods. There are many ways of teaching-learning through advanced technology. Here, the focus is on language lab. In today's world, every job seeker needs good communication skills, and language lab polished their English skills. Following things are considered to be effective in English language teaching.

Language Lab: Language lab is the modern concept of teaching English language through computerized system. It is recognized by many names as multimedia language lab, digital language lab etc. It is installed with audio-visual system. Student consoles are fixed with teacher console through LAN connection. The purpose of language lab is to enhance the English knowledge of the students. Fluency in English communication is today's need. Student must aware of English language to get success in their career in all over the world. It is essential for every Indian student to aspire the English language. Language lab plays important role in learning process. There is lab related practical work for science students only. Lab for language learning is a new concept for Indian students.

There are many methods of teachings through language lab. Students come in language lab to boost their listening and speaking skills. For literature students, various CD's related to their study content are available. Through language lab, students have live literary contents which are useful for their understanding. For commerce students, business communication CD's are available to learn the business etiquettes. With the help of headphone, recording facility, microphone, student can listen and improve the tactics of phonetics. These are very helpful tools for improving English language. The main function of language lab is to improve student's pronunciation and language skills. The sample pronunciation is given and students repeat it. Another is, they listen and record their pronunciation and afterwards correct it. Students can do self evaluation of these recorded lessons. This individual listening of students with the help of headphone improves a lot in their pronunciation. Richards in his article *Approaches and Methods in Language Teaching* says:

The language laboratory exists to help one to use technology effectively to communicate. It is not merely for learning a single language, but can be used for teaching a number of languages efficiently. To acquire a sensibility for the sounds and rhythm of a language, one has to hear the best samples of a spoken language.

Language lab is installed with related study material as per the requirement of the students. Videos, images, text lessons can be easily perceived by the students. Teacher can add the study material as per need. Teacher can monitor, guide, communicate, capture the screen of every student through teacher console and instruct them, even can observe his activity through web cam. Students can communicate fearlessly with teacher. They can call the teacher during sessions and clarify the doubts. If any student is not performing the act of listening, for such shy student, alert option is there indicating on teacher console. If any difficult word comes across while listening, they can take the advantage of inbuilt dictionary in language software and find the meaning. Headphones block the outside disturbances and allow the students to

concentrate on listening with crystal clarity. The students involve actively and participate in language lab. The students directly connected to teacher through headphones. It helps in improving their pronunciation. Students listen to the native speakers and improve their English. The students can record their files and can show it to the teacher for evaluation. One most important factor is that the teacher can form a group for performing group discussion activity through headphones. Time to time teacher can instruct and guide them for improvement in language lab. It helps in teaching grammar and solving exercises. It also helps in improving their listening and speaking ability. It helps in creating confidence to stand boldly to face any activity related to English.

The English language can't be ignored because it is the only key of success in professional life. It is known as global language and those who have domination in this language, can easily become successful. Transparency and exactness in English gives good platform to the learner and increases confidence. Language lab fulfills the aim of teaching and develops the basic LSRW skills among apprentice. Along with language lab, students learn other things which are basic needs of recruitment like group discussion, debate, interview skills, reporting, e mails, presentation skills and presenting PPT's.

Except language lab, English is taught with other advanced technology in the classrooms. Arts students are taught literature through digital classrooms. PPT's of drama, poetry and novels are shown to the students. This is the best way of learning as it is interactive sessions. The students can read the literature online with internet facility in the library. Even they can collect notes through different websites and make use of it. They can give online tests, collect research articles, get the questions of assignments on moodle, and send the assignments clarify the difficulty through mail. They can use dictionary either online or offline to get the meaning of difficult English word. In this way students can learn and get information through advanced technology.

The overall purpose of teaching English language is to support students' interest in learning

and motivate them to become practical learner. Students should encourage communicating in English with each other. Students should avoid mother tongue while speaking English. In future, the advancement in technology will be faster and student-centric. By using such faster and less time consuming technology, students will definitely grasp English skills. The use of all these tools improves the quality of students as well as their practical knowledge about language which is a key to success for teaching-learning process. The positive way is the creation of new generation with good knowledge of English language which can survive better in this competitive world.

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