



From Traditional to Learner-Centered EFL Teaching: An Overview

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Handout

Webinar Objectives:

What will we do? We will discuss the transition from traditional to learner-centered language teaching methods, particularly focusing on modern techniques for engaging students in active acquisition scenarios.

Why is it important? There is a lot we can learn from traditional techniques but we know now that learning happens best when language is used as the medium of instruction rather than the object of instruction. We must engage our students in motivational activities to maximize learning.

How will we do it? We will review traditional methods, consider modern engaging methods, and relate how learning fits into target Competences in our daily society.

Breakout Room Discussion:

What types of learners do you encounter in your language classroom, and which methods work best to engage them in active learning scenarios?

Considering the information presented during this webinar, what concepts will you implement in your classroom? Are there other techniques you recommend we utilize for creating better learner-centered experiences?

Resources for Further Reading: (Tip: Google authors or titles for free information)

“Approaches and Methods in Language Teaching” by Richards, J. and Rodgers, T. (2001). Cambridge University Press.

“How to Teach English” by Jeremy Harmer (2007). Pearson.

“Teaching for Learning” by Major, Harris, and Zakrajsek (2015). Routledge.