

RESOURCES THE EXPERIENCED TEACHER WILL USE IN THE COMMUNICATIVE APPROACH

- 1) Yourself-your experiences with children, life experiences in general
- 2) Your self-confidence in your competence in using English as a medium of communication
- 3) Other teachers
- 4) Student Textbooks-be sure to analyze these carefully
- 5) A functional thematic style approach
- 6) Materials to supplement your textbook teaching
- 7) Monthly English student magazines and digests (Studio Classroom, English Today, etc)
- 8) Realia-real clothes, food packets, fruit, classroom objects etc
- 9) Photographs and pictures
- 10) Picture Dictation Listening activities
- 11) Flashcards made to A4 size
- 12) Student pair work cards made to A7 or B7 size
- 13) Posters made to A2 or even A1 size for whole class introduction of topics, vocab & activities
- 14) Music and Songs on tape or CD, with or without lyrics
- 15) Movies and video clips
- 16) TV and DVD player or Video Projector and Screen
- 17) Student experiences and knowledge themselves are often limited, so the teacher has to create theirs for them, by creative visualization or extracurricular trips to the seashore, zoo, museum etc.
- 18) Student individual or small group class projects
- 19) Class newspapers
- 20) Reading corner
- 21) Puzzles and games corner-board games, crossword puzzles, word search, bingo etc.
- 22) Enrichment & extension tasks for more able or quicker students
- 23) Reward tasks and activities-independent story reading, games and puzzles
- 24) Partner activities-split information, closes etc.
- 25) Student dictionary
- 26) Short Review Tests
- 27) Student reader story book series
- 28) Homework tasks-TV documentaries on current themes being studied, or teacher copies and shows DVDF in class-lists key words on w/bd... e.g. when studying animals, use animal Discovery Channel programs, for animal names, questions about: Where do they live? What color are they? What do they eat? Food-kids have to find menus with foreign foods on them, or when they eat out with mum and dad at an a la carte restaurant, write down the English names from the menu for reporting back in class
- 29) Knowledge of Classroom Management Techniques
- 30) Knowledge of Discipline Techniques
- 31) Knowledge of projecting oneself as an English Salesperson
- 32) Knowledge of Children's Maturation & Development
- 33) Knowledge of basic principles of Behavioral Psychology
- 34) List of classroom rules and behaviors for the communicative English classroom, in simple English and Chinese
- 35) List of classroom phrases and instructions in English
- 36) Administration forms, Record-keeping forms for students, lesson plan blanks etc.