

Chapter 2-3 Questions

1. What is the difference between an approach and a method?
2. Are there any best approaches or methods that work in every teaching situation?
3. Who was Francois Gouin, and what influence did his 'Series Method' have on second language learning/teaching?
4. Describe the key features of these:
 - Grammar Translation Method
 - The Direct Method
 - The Audio Lingual Method
 - Cognitive Code Learning
 - The Notional-Functional Syllabus

The Designer Methods:

- 1) Community Language Learning
 - 2) Suggestopedia
 - 3) The Silent Way
 - 4) Total Physical Response (TPR)
 - 5) The Natural Approach
5. Why does the Grammar Translation Method continue to be popular today?
 6. Define enlightened approach. Describe the advantages and disadvantages of an enlightened approach to teaching language.
 7. Look at the chart of page 49. Review the list of features for the Communicative Approach. Do you agree with all of them?
 8. Here is a description of Communicative Language Teaching (CLT). Describe the meaning of each part.
 1. Communicative competence;
 2. Pragmatic, authentic, functional use of language for meaningful purposes;
 3. Fluency and accuracy;
 4. Spontaneous use of language;
 5. Students given opportunities to focus on their own learning process through understanding their own styles of learning and learning strategies;
 6. The role of teacher as facilitator and guide.