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ABSTRACT

This study entitled "Activities Used in Teaching Speaking Skill in Mixed Ability Class" is an attempt to find out activities used by secondary level English teachers to teach speaking skill in mixed ability classroom. In order to achieve this objective, observation diary and interview were used as data collection tools. Four secondary level English teachers of Tanahun district selected through purposive judgmental sampling procedure. One teacher from each school was selected and their forty classes were observed and on the last day of the classroom observation, took the interview with those teachers whose classes were observed. The finding of the study showed that pair work, group work, describing pictures, story telling, and discussion were the most used activities while teaching speaking skill in mixed ability classroom and all the teachers used the techniques of teaching speaking in good way. However, they lacked proper materials. Therefore, they need to equip with sufficient ELT materials, which can applied in the classroom.

The thesis consists of five chapters. The first chapter deals with general background, statement of the problem, objectives of the study, research questions, significance of the study, delimitations of the study and operational definition of the key terms. Similarly, chapter two deals with review of related theoretical literature, empirical literatures, implication of review for the study and conceptual framework. Chapter three deals with design of the study, population and sample size, sampling procedure, research tools, sources of data, data collection procedure, data analysis procedure and ethical considerations. Similarly, chapter four consists of results and discussion. Chapter five deals summary, conclusions and implication of the study.

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LIST OF ABBERVIATIONS

B.A - Bachelor in Arts

Dr. - Doctor

EFL - English as a Foreign Language

e.g. - for example

ELT - English Language Teacher

Et.al - and other

Etc. - Etcetera

Ibid - ibiden (Latin), in the same book or piece of writing.

i.e. - That is

M.A - Master in Arts

Med. - Master in Education

NELTA - Nepal English Language Teacher Association.

Stu - Students

T - Teacher

T.U. - Tribhuvan University

