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ABSTRACT

The present study entitled "The Effectiveness of Dramatization Technique in Teaching Language Functions" endeavors to find out the efficacy of dramatization technique in teaching language functions at secondary level and aims at suggesting some pedagogical implications. To this end, I purposively selected a private school, Salbas Sunrise Higher Secondary School from Nawalparasi district. In order to collect data, both, the primary and the secondary sources, were used. Thirty-three students of Grade IX, who were selected using simple random sampling procedure, were involved in this study. The students were divided into two groups, an experimental group and a controlled group. The main tools for data collection were tests items. A pre-test was administered before students were divided into two groups. Both the groups were taught for 24 days (the experimental group was taught using dramatization technique and the controlled group was taught as usual classroom techniques). After the treatment, the post-test was administered, by using the same sets of test items that were administered in the pre-test. After analysis and interpretation of the data the experimental group which was taught through drama technique excelled the controlled group by 21.64% holistically. Thus, I can say that the dramatization technique was more effective, interactive and interesting than usual classroom techniques like discussion and lecture.

The thesis has been divided into four chapters. The first chapter consists of the background of the study, review of the related literature and objectives of the study. Chapter two deals with the methodology adopted for the study under which the sources of data, sampling procedures, tools for data collection, process of data collection and limitation of the study are presented. Likewise, chapter three presents the analysis and interpretation of the data. In this section, both the statistical as well as descriptive approaches have been used. Finally, the present research summarizes the whole study by presenting findings and suggesting some recommendations.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

% : Percent

ALM : Audio Lingual Method

Av. : Average

CG : Controlled Group

CLT : Communicative Language Teaching

CM : Communicative Method

D : Difference

DM : Direct Method

EG : Experimental Group

ELT : English Language Teaching

GT : Grammar Translation

NELTA: Nepal English Language Teachers' Association

NESP : National Educational System Planning

No. /no. : Number

Pre-T: Pre-test

Post-T: Post-test

S.N. : Serial Number

SR : Stimulus Response

TPR : Total Physical Response

T.U. : Tribhuvan University

Viz. : Namely

Vol. : Volume

WWW: World Wide Web