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#### ABSTRACT

This research work entitled **"Effectiveness of cooperative learning in teaching writing"** is an attempt to find out the effectiveness of cooperative learning in teaching writing and aims to list some pedagogical implications. The study was conducted in Janasewa Higher Secondary School, Kirtipur, Kathmandu. The students of class ten of section 'B' were purposively selected as the sample of the study. A pre-test was administered before starting teaching. Then, the students were taught for a month using cooperative learning method. Three progressive tests were administered during the course of teaching and finally, a post-test was administered to determine the achievement of the students. And altogether five tests were administered and scores were compared with each other. The data were analyzed descriptively using statistical tools like average, percentage, mean and presented using Para orthographical tests such as tables, diagrams etc. After the interpretation and analysis of data, it was found that the cooperative learning method was effective in teaching writing skill at secondary level.

This thesis comprises four chapters. Chapter one deals with general background, review of the related literature, objectives of the study and significance of the study. Chapter two deals with the procedure adapted to carry out the research. It contains information on the sources of data, population of study, sampling procedure, tools, process of data collection and limitations of the study. The data obtained through the different tests are tabulated, analyzed and interpreted using statistical tools in the chapter three. Chapter four deals with the major findings of the study on the basis of the analysis and interpretation of the collected data. It also deals with some recommendations made, being based on the major findings of the study. Finally, chapter four is followed by the references and appendices.

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#### LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

%	 Percentage
&	 Ampersand
AVG	 Average
CDC	 Curriculum Development Centre
CL	 Cooperative Learning
CLL	 Cooperative Language Learning
CUP	 Cambridge University Press
D	 Difference
Dr.	 Doctor
ELT	 English Language Teaching
etc.	 etcetera
HOD	 Head of Department
i.e.	 that is
JEMC	 Janak Education Materials Centre
M.Ed.	 Master's of Education
NELTA	 Nepal English Language Teachers' Association
No.	 Number
OUP	 Oxford University Press
р.	 Page Number
Prof.	 Professor
R.N.	 Roll Number
S.N.	 Serial Number
T.U.	 Tribhuvan University
Vol	 Volume
ZPD	 Zone of Proximal Development