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ABSTRACT

The present research work entitled **A Study on the Use of Audio-tape for Listening Comprehension** was carried out to explore the use of audio-tape or other supporting materials while teaching listening at the secondary level. In this research, I used random sampling procedure and took the sample of five English teachers of the selected schools and sixty students of grade nine from five secondary schools of Achham district. Two types of research tools were used for data collection i.e. two sets of questionnaire, checklist forms and fifteen open-ended and close-ended questions for teachers and students. On the completion of all studies, I came to conclude that the teachers were not found giving listening test in the final examinations. It was said that even in the district level examination, there was not listening test except SLC board examination.

This thesis consists of four chapters. Chapter one introduces the study with general background of the study, teaching language skills, importance of listening, the components of listening and techniques of teaching listening, review of literature, objectives and significance of the study. Chapter two deals with the procedures adopted to carryout the research. It contains the sources of data, sampling procedure, research tools, process of data collection and limitations of the study. Chapter three consists of analysis and interpretation of the data. Chapter four deals with the major findings of the study derived on the basis of the analysis and interpretation of the data. This chapter also deals with recommendations made on the basis of findings of the study. Finally, the references and appendices are also included.

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SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

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A - Available

AD - Achhami Dialect

AL - Achhami Language

B.S. - Bikram Sambat

BSS - Bishwa Jyoti Secondary School

GSS - Gyan Mandir Secondary School

HSS - Higher Secondary School

KHSS - Kalika Highe rSecondary School

MSS - Manakamana Secondary School

MT - Mother Tongue

NA - Not Available

NL - Nepali Language

No. - Number

S.N. - Serial Number

SLC - School Leaving Certificate

SS - Secondary School

SSS - Shisu Sudhar Secondary School

T.V. - Television

TL - Target Language

X - Wrong

% - Percentage