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ABSTRACT

The present study entitled **Learning Strategies Adopted by Majhi Learners** in Learning English Language is carried out to find out the different strategies adopted by Majhi students while learning the English language. A qualitative research design was used to carry out this research. In this study, three Majhi students were selected purposively as a sample and sampling population. Observation checklist and keeping diary were used as research tools. The data collection observation checklist and keeping diary were analyzed descriptively using simple statistical tools. From the analysis and interpretations of the results, it was found that Majhi students adopted the learning strategies repeatedly and continuously to learn English. Sometime the Majhi students became confuse and hesitate to adopt learning strategies in communicating process. The Majhi students often like to involve in group and pair work discussion rather than self doing activities, but in that learning activities it was found that all the Majhi students mostly influenced of their mother tongue in uttering dialogue and reading English text.

This study consists of five chapters. The first chapter deals about general introduction and background of the study, statement of the problems, objectives of the study, research questions, significance of the study, delimitations of the study and operational definitions of the key terms. The second chapter deals with review of the related theoretical and empirical literature, implications of the review for the study and conceptual framework. Chapter three consists of design and methodology of the study, population, sample and sampling strategies, sources of data, data collection tools and techniques and data collection procedures. Chapter four includes analysis and interpretation of the result and findings of the results. The final chapter deals with conclusion and recommendations for policy related, practice related and further research related level and it has followed the references and appendixes.

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LIST OF THE SYMBOL AND ABBREVIATIONS

EFL = English as a foreign language

L2 = Second language

e.g. = Example

etc. = Etcetera

Freq. = Frequency

% = Percentage

i.e. = That is

ibid = Taken from the same place

No. = Number

p. = Page

R1. = Respondent one, Majhi student

R2. = Respondent two, Majhi student

R3. = Respondent three, Majhi student