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EDUCATIONAL DICTATION AND ITS ORGANIZATION IN PRIMARY GRADES

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ABSTRACT

This article discusses the study of the concept of educational dictation, its organization, implementation, and highlights the effective aspects that it presents to young students in elementary grades.

Educational dictation is a crucial practice implemented in primary grades to enhance students' reading and writing skills. Dictation exercises involve the teacher reading out a passage, while students listen attentively and write down what they hear. This process serves as a fundamental tool for promoting language acquisition, spelling, punctuation, and listening comprehension. In the primary grades, educational dictation is organized in a structured manner to optimize learning outcomes and engage students effectively in the learning process. The first step in organizing educational dictation in primary grades is selecting appropriate texts. These texts should align with the students' proficiency level, while also introducing new vocabulary and sentence structures to expand students' linguistic competence. Teachers often choose age-appropriate storybooks or short passages that cover a wide range of topics.

This variety ensures that students are exposed to diverse subject matters, enabling them to build a broader knowledge base and vocabulary repertoire. Once suitable texts are chosen, teachers focus on the presentation of the dictation exercise. In primary grades, it is important to break down the process into clear, manageable steps. Teachers start by pre-teaching vocabulary and providing context to ensure students understand the overall meaning of the passage. Additionally, teachers reinforce important grammar concepts to facilitate accurate sentence construction during the dictation. During dictation exercises, it is essential to encourage students' active listening and focus. Strategies such as repeating the passage multiple times, highlighting keywords, and providing visual cues can support students in accurately transcribing the spoken information. Teachers must promote an inclusive and safe learning environment where students feel comfortable asking questions and seeking clarification when necessary. After completing the dictation, teachers move on to the correction stage. Here, the teacher reads out the text again while students compare their written version with the original. This step allows students to self-assess their work, identify errors, and learn from their mistakes.



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The teacher, meanwhile, provides immediate feedback and guidance to address any misconceptions, reinforce correct grammar and spelling patterns, and encourage students' progress. To optimize engagement, educational dictation exercises can be complemented with interactive activities. These activities can include peer sharing, group discussions, and collaborative proofreading sessions. Such activities foster a sense of community and enable students to further enhance their reading and writing skills through constructive peer interactions. While educational dictation primarily focuses on improving spelling and linguistic proficiency, teachers can also incorporate critical thinking elements into the dictation process. By selecting texts with thought-provoking content and asking open-ended questions, students are encouraged to analyze, infer, and interpret information. These activities help students develop a deeper understanding of the text and foster higher-order thinking skills. In the organization of educational dictation in primary grades, it is important to establish a regular schedule.

Consistency in dictation exercises allows students to become familiar with the process and develop a routine that aids in their language acquisition. Moreover, teachers can strategically plan dictation exercises according to the students' individual needs, building on previously learned skills to gradually increase the complexity and challenge of the dictation passages. To reinforce the importance of educational dictation, teachers can also provide incentives and celebrate students' progress. Acknowledging students' achievements, such as improvement in spelling accuracy or stronger listening comprehension, fosters a sense of accomplishment and motivation. Teachers can utilize bulletin boards or reward systems to publicly recognize students' efforts and growth.

In conclusion, the organization of educational dictation in primary grades plays a pivotal role in enhancing students' reading and writing skills. By carefully selecting appropriate texts, breaking down the process into manageable steps, encouraging active listening, providing feedback, incorporating interactive activities, fostering critical thinking, establishing a regular schedule, and acknowledging students' achievements, teachers can optimize learning outcomes and engage students effectively in the dictation process. Educational dictation serves as a valuable tool for developing fundamental language skills, empowering students to become confident and proficient readers and writers.

Educational dictation plays a crucial role in the organization and development of primary grade curriculums. It serves as an effective tool for enhancing students' literacy skills, cognitive abilities, and overall academic progress. To begin with, educational dictation can be defined as the act of orally presenting a passage or set of words for students to transcribe. This pedagogical approach is often employed in primary grades to improve students' handwriting, spelling, and listening skills. The organization of dictation exercises is typically based on the gradual increase in difficulty, ensuring that students are not overwhelmed while exposing them to new vocabulary and grammatical patterns. In terms of implementation, educational dictation sessions are usually scheduled at regular intervals to ensure consistent practice. Teachers may choose to focus on various language aspects such as phonetics, punctuation, grammar rules, or vocabulary expansion. Additionally, dictation exercises can be kept short and concise to maintain students' engagement. This approach encourages students



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to actively listen and carefully transcribe the provided text, promoting their concentration and attention to detail.

The organization of dictation in primary grades also involves considering the appropriate difficulty level for each age group. Initially, simple sentences with familiar vocabulary are introduced to help students establish a foundation in dictation. As their skills progress, teachers gradually increase the complexity of the material by introducing more challenging vocabulary, sentence structures, and lengthier texts. This organized progression allows students to gradually sharpen their listening and writing abilities. Several benefits arise from the organization of educational dictation in primary grades. Firstly, it enhances students' learning process by providing hands-on practice in writing and spelling. Regular dictation exercises enable students to reinforce their understanding of phonics, sentence construction, and grammatical rules.

This continuous engagement contributes to their cognitive development and fosters overall literacy growth. Secondly, educational dictation builds strong listening skills. Since students must listen attentively to the dictated passages, they become increasingly proficient in deciphering spoken language and identifying key information. This skill is not only essential for academic success but also enhances communication and comprehension in various contexts. Moreover, dictation exercises promote a sense of rhythm and fluency in writing. By transcribing dictated text accurately and efficiently, students develop a natural flow in their penmanship. This flow eventually translates into improved writing skills and allows students to express their ideas more coherently and effortlessly. The organization of dictation in primary grades also instills independence and self-confidence in students. As they become more proficient in transcription, students gradually rely less on the teacher's guidance and instructions. This gradual shift toward autonomy fosters a sense of accomplishment and self-assurance in their academic abilities, motivating students to tackle more challenging tasks. Furthermore, educational dictation contributes to vocabulary expansion. By encountering new words and sentence structures in dictation exercises, students develop a broader lexicon. This exposure facilitates their understanding of texts, improves reading comprehension, and enables more effective communication.

In conclusion, educational dictation is an essential component of primary grade curriculums. Its organization ensures a gradual increase in difficulty, allowing students to develop effective listening, writing, spelling, and overall literacy skills. By implementing dictation exercises, educators contribute to the cognitive growth, linguistic proficiency, and self-confidence of their students. With its numerous benefits, educational dictation undoubtedly plays a vital role in the educational journey of young learners.

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