

MATERIALS EVALUATION

 measuring the potential value of a set of learning materials by making judgments about the effect of the materials on learners using them





- The appeal of the materials to the learners
- The validity of the materials
- The ability of the materials to interest the learners and the teachers
- The ability of the materials to motivate the learners
- The potential learning value of the materials
- The assistance given to the teachers in terms of preparation, delivery and assessment
- The flexibility of the materials



PRINCIPLES OF MATERIALS EVALUATION

- The Evaluator's Theory of Learning and Teaching
- Learning Theories



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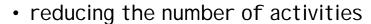
- Pre-Use Evaluation
- Whilst-Use Evaluation
- Post-Use Evaluation



MATERIALS ADAPTATION

 efforts to adapt learning materials in response to specific needs of learners, teachers, or situations





- shortening or lengthening an activity
- changing the order of activities
- · simplifying instructions of an activity



REASONS FOR ADAPTING MATERIALS

- The teaching environment (national, regional, institutional, cultural, etc.), e.g. the materials have not been designed for accommodating local cultural values.
- The learners' specific characteristics (age, language level, prior knowledge, learners' needs, learning styles, etc.), e.g. the complexity of learning materials must be adapted in accordance with learners' literacy level.



 Teachers' own preferences (personality, teaching styles, beliefs about language learning and teaching), e.g. the materials offer a lot of communicative activities but a teacher thinks that his students are not ready yet to carry out freeproduction communicative tasks.



- The course objectives (syllabus, curriculum, institutional policy, national policy, etc.), e.g. the materials provide input texts for teaching reading and a teacher intends to integrate it for teaching speaking.
- Materials (texts, tasks, activities), e.g. a teacher wants to modify the communicative activities s/he selected with one or two relevant games.



PRINCIPLES OF MATERIALS ADAPTATION

- Reception before production
- Start and end a lesson with learners' texts that are closely related to their learning environment
- Listening before speaking
- Listening before reading



