



Innovative Methods of Teaching

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Abstract

Teaching nowadays must include innovative communication methods that impart knowledge. Some innovative methods of teaching could be multimedia, the combination of various digital media types such as text, images, audio and video, into an integrated multi-sensory interactive application or presentation to convey information to an audience [1]. There are many multimedia technologies that are available for developers to create these innovative and interactive multimedia applications, such as *Adobe Photoshop and Premier, SoundForge and 3D Studio Max* etc. [2].

Another innovative teaching method is mind maps, which is a simple technique for drawing information in diagrams, instead of writing it in sentences. The diagrams always take the same basic format of a tree, with a single starting point in the middle that branches out and divides again and again. The tree is made up of words or short sentences connected by lines. The lines that connect the words are part of the meaning [3].

The sense of humor can also be an innovative teaching method. Students always like lively and delightful personalities and that's natural. If one teaches whatever he/she wants in a humorous, delightful and entertaining way, he/she can easily achieve target. There are many devices with the help of which one can teach effectively. This method involves learning through delight. E.g. the games like word-antakshari, Spin-a-yarn, Role-Plays etc. are very effective in developing their linguistic competence. If this method is used properly, language-learning becomes more interesting and easy [4].

Moreover, role playing and scenario analysis is an innovative method of teaching. Science and engineering courses have practical but in support of those practical if students are given a scenario and other options to solve a particular issue, then the students are exposed to decision making in a given environment. For example, in teaching accounting the role of accountant can be explained by role playing technique. Invoice and bills can be given to students and asked them to assume the role of accountant. Here the real entries pertaining to transactions are made by the student and this is more practical approach to teaching where theory is supplemented by proper practical knowledge. Similar kind of technique can be applied in management, engineering and science courses [5].

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