

**THE TEACHING OF FOREIGN  
LANGUAGES.  
HOW CAN TEACHERS  
MOTIVATE THEIR LEARNERS?**

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# Student Motivation

❖ INTRINSIC

❖ EXTRINSIC

❖ NEEDS DRIVEN

❖ FUN

In class

- ✓ Practical and relevant
  - ✓ Varied
- ✓ Active participation
  - ✓ Novelty
  - ✓ Challenge
- ✓ A sense of accomplishment
  - ✓ Positive reinforcement

## Linguistic input

- ✓ Comprehensible to the students & adequate to their needs, levels of attainment and age
  - ✓ Short texts
    - ✓ Variety in choice of topics & medium
  - ✓ Engage with emotions, feelings, needs
    - ✓ Self chosen material
  - ✓ Computer-assisted language learning

• The most crucial aspect of all to motivate students

# Teacher self- motivation

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- Attitude, charisma, professional preparedness and CPD, availability to students
- Students' perceptions of teachers' behaviour in the classroom
- A highly motivated and enthusiastic teacher in class is the most powerful and influential tool in motivating students. The teachers' projection of enthusiasm, a strong interest in the subject matter and the amount of effort exerted in teaching, have a very strong impact on the students' motivational dispositions.

