

# ESL 154 Snapshot

## **Basic Concepts of Language Systems**

Phoneme: The smallest unit of sound in a language. Phonology: The study of the sound system of a language.

Morpheme: The smallest unit of meaning in a language (word or unit – prefix re in <u>re</u>do, s in cars). Syntax: The order in which words occur in a sentence.

Semantics: The meaning attached to a linguistic unit. Pragmatics: The proper use of a certain type of language for a given situation.

Lexicon: The vocabulary of an individual or topic. Discourse: Interchange of language between speakers.

#### **Basic Acronyms**

- ELL= English Language Learner
- L1= Native language
- L2= Second language
- M1= Monitored year one
- M2= Monitored year two
- LEP= Limited English Proficient
- EP = English Proficient
- **ESL**= English as a Second Language
- ESOL = English Speakers of Other
- Languages
- SI = Sheltered instruction

## **ESL Methods and Techniques**

Language Acquisition Device

Stimulus, Reponses, Reward

Iceberg theory/CUP and SUP

Comprehensible Input, Affective

Schema, Assimilation, Constructivism

**ZPD** Development

Audiolingual approach: Few minutes of repetition and practice to introduce language. Total Physical Response (TPR): Approach for beginners using physical movement. Total Response Signal (TRS): Tool to determine student understanding.

Natural Approach to ESL: Real-life communication.

Theorists

Cummins

Krashen

Piaget

Vygotsky

Chomsky

Skinner

Theory

**Realia:** Objects and material from everyday life as teaching aids.

Sheltered Instruction: Approach to teaching English language learners which integrates language and content instruction.

**Cognates:** Having the same linguistic derivation as another (i.e. science = ciencia).

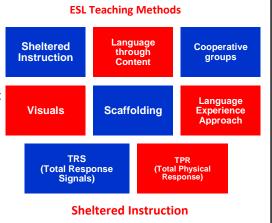
# **Effective Learning Activities**

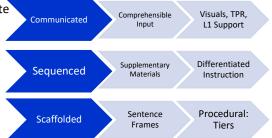
Paired Reading= Two students read together same text. Building Words= Develop phonemic awareness.

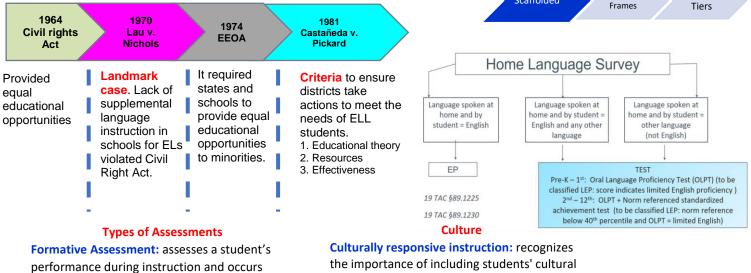
Minimal Pairs = pairs of words that differ in only one phonological element.

Reader's Theater= Combines reading practice and performance. Read Aloud= Access the material and develops students' skills as active listeners.

Scaffolding=Providing appropriate assistance to achieve the task. Cooperative Learning= Small teams, use a variety of learning activities to improve their understanding of a subject.







regularly.

Summative Assessment: Measures student's achievement at the end of instruction. Authentic Assessment: measuring knowledge in a significant and meaningful way.

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blending between cultures.

references in all aspects of learning.

Acculturation: process that stems from

Cultural Assimilation: culture comes to

resemble those of a dominant group.

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