

Driving Away the Monotony of Online Teaching & Learning in English Classes

Plan of the talk

I – Brainstorming

II – Content-Based Instruction

III – Reasons of Monotony in Online Classes

IV – How to Drive Away the Monotony

V – Questions

Brainstorming

1. What is your experience of teaching and learning online?
2. What do you understand by Content-based instruction?
3. How helpful is online learning for the students?
4. How helpful is online teaching for the teachers?
5. Do you find teaching and learning online monotonous?
6. Can you suggest some ways to drive away this monotony?
7. How doable are these in an actual online class?

Content-Based Instruction (CBI)

- integrating language and content
- language as medium
- syllabi varies; is derived from content areas
- authentic material used
- active student exchange of content
- based on CLT

Models of CBI

1. theme-based language instruction
2. sheltered content instruction
3. adjunct language instruction (language & content)
4. sustained- content language teaching

Role of Language in Content

1. Using note-taking
2. Recognizing the relevance of discourse markers
3. Using predicting as a listening strategy to determine the content of a topic
4. Using expressions to give an opinion/ ask for clarification

Ad content in CBI

- Vocabulary
- Structures
- Paragraphing
- Code mixing

Sample Ad Content

- Ready for some fun in the sun? Not without our oversized beach towels! Scott's Surf Shop has everything to cover you at the beach, including swimming apparel, sunblock, scuba gear, flip flops, and oversized beach towels made with shake-away technology that makes sure you leave the beach at the beach.
- Before you drive to the cottage, stop by Scott's Surf Shop to start your summer off right.

Analysis

- Ready for some fun in the sun? (**Rhetorical question**) Not without our oversized beach towels! (**Informality**) Scott's Surf Shop has everything to cover you at the beach, including swimming apparel, sunblock, scuba gear, flip flops, and oversized beach towels made with shake-away technology that makes sure you leave the beach at the beach. (**Complex sentence**)
- Before you drive to the cottage, stop by Scott's Surf Shop to start your summer off right. (**Complex sentence**)

Believer (C & C)

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Aebjmg_n0bw

Discussion

1. What appealed to you in the song?
2. What have you to say about the vocabulary used?
3. What have you to say about the structures used?
4. Do you find any language technicality associated with the song?
5. How effective can such songs be in the classroom?

Reasons of Monotony in Online Classes

1. One way lecturing
2. Limited teacher monitoring
3. Body language disconnect
4. Online restrictions
5. Time constraints
6. Technological challenges

How to Drive Away the Monotony

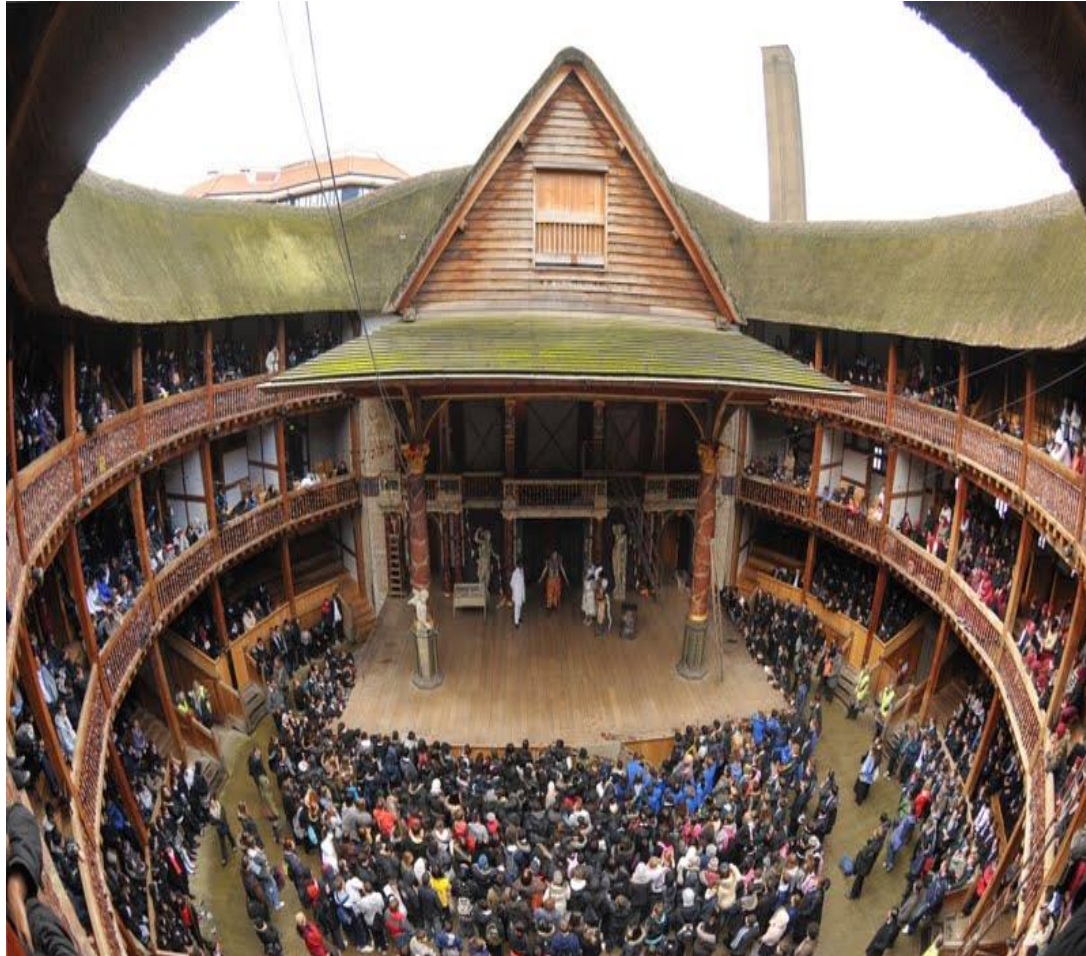
1. Brainstorming
2. Declaring the plan
3. Making slides attractive
4. Being relevant
5. Audience contextualization
6. Meaningful presentation
7. Judicious mix of audio, video and pictures
8. Chat box alertness
9. Review quiz
10. Questions during presentation

Brainstorming

Declaring the plan

Making slides attractive

Elizabethan Theatre



Being relevant

Student contextualization

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eE9tV1WGTgE>

Using Songs

- As sly as a fox, as strong as an ox
As fast as a hare, as brave as a bear
As free as a bird, as neat as a word
As quiet as a mouse, as big as a house
- All
I wanna be
All
I wanna be
Oh oh oh! All
I wanna be
Is everything
- As mean as a wolf, as sharp as a tooth
As deep as a bite, as dark as the night
As sweet as a song, as right as a wrong
As long as a road, as ugly as a toad
- As pretty as a picture hanging from a fixture
Strong like a family, strong as I wanna be
Bright as day, as light as play
As hard as nails, as grand as a whale

Using Songs

- All
I wanna be
Oh oh oh! All
I wanna be
Oh oh oh! All
I wanna be
Is everything
- Everything at once
Everything at once
Oh oh oh, everything at once
- As warm as the sun, as silly as fun
As cool as a tree, as scary as the sea
As hot as fire, cold as ice
Sweet as sugar and everything nice
- As old as time, as straight as a line
As royal as a queen, as buzzed as a bee
As stealth as a tiger, smooth as a glider
Pure as a melody, pure as I wanna be
- All
I wanna be
Oh oh oh! All
I wanna be
Oh oh oh! All
I wanna be
Is everything
Everything at once.

Some other ways

1. Making meaningful presentation
2. Judicious mix of audio-visuals
3. Chat box alertness
4. Questions during presentation
5. Review quiz

Thank you

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