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"A teacher is a compass that activates the magnets of curiosity, knowledge, and wisdom in pupils."

Ever Garrison

ABOUT THE BOOK

This book offers a range of answers to the question how to teach English as a foreign language. The answers are directed to trainees with some knowledge of general pedagogy, psychology, general methodology and developmental psychology. In other words it is a guide to methodology – to what might work in the English classroom.

The book will provide trainees with elementary guidelines how to approach presenting and practising basic areas of English as a foreign language in primary and secondary schools. However, it is not the source about the right and only way to teach. There does not exist anything such as an ideal teaching methodology and every teacher should be aware of as many options, approaches and techniques as possible.

The book comprises eight units each focusing on a different area of ELT methodology. Each unit enables trainees to get familiar with basic approaches and techniques of presenting and practising the target area such as vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation, receptive and productive skills and culture. Apart from general theoretical guidelines each unit offers example tasks and activities from current English course books, review questions which are linked to essential points in the text. Recommended literature provides trainees with an opportunity for self-study and deeper understanding of the theoretical base.

We hope trainees will integrate the knowledge into their teaching and the book will become "a spring board" on the path to becoming excellent teachers of English.

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