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It assumes that all instruction will be done inEnglish and the class knows no English at all, i.e. the class are all complete beginners.BackgroundIt is generally accepted that usingEnglish only in the classroom (known as full immersion) is one of the more effective ways of teaching, however some teachers find this difficult in a very first lesson when the students know little or no English.But this shouldnt be the case.Even with no previous knowledge of English, students can be interacting in English by the end of the very first lesson. It is great for their confidence and can provide an excellent start to their journey learning English.This lesson here is based around a few very basic phrases which all speakers of English will need to know so it is ideal whether you are teaching business people or small children or anybody else for that matter.A new TEFL teacher taking this lesson will not go far wrong!IntroductionIn most lesson plans you will find an introduction at the beginning where the teacher introduces what the lesson is all about. In the case of the very first lesson this is impossible so you just have to launch right in.Speaking gently and quietly and as little as possible, get the class into the room and settled down. Use plenty of gestures here e.g. point to where you would like someone to sit or perhaps guide them gently to the right place.The class are probably a little bewildered and maybe slightly unsure at this stage so above all be encouraging and full of smiles. Learning English should be a pleasure from the first word!HelloBegin the lesson by going up to the very first student in the front row and shaking their hand and saying, Hello, nice and clearly and with a smile. They will probably not respond so keep shaking in a friendly way and gesture to them (use your hands to point to them then yourself) to say, Hello, back. Keep saying, Hello, to them with a smile and a laugh until they respond.When the first student has said, Hello, back to you give a little cheer and show that youre pleased and that theyve made the right answer. Then move on to the next student, shake their hand and say, Hello, and wait for their response. This should come a lot quicker. Then to the next student until you have gone around the entire class.Now guide two students to face each other and get them to shake hands and say, Hello, to each other. Then guide the next pair to do the same and then the rest of the class. If you can at this stage, get everyone standing up and walking round the class shaking hands and saying, Hello!By doing this you are following one the most basic principles of TEFL teaching. You introduce a language item, give plenty of examples where it is used, get the students to begin producing it and then give the students plenty of practice in using it. Here we are introducing a single word but the same principle applies even if it were some obscure point of advanced grammar.NamesWhen the class has had plenty of practice with, Hello, get them back to their seats and all sitting quietly ready for the next step.With the class sitting and watching you, stand at the front and say clearly your name. Say it several times, gesturing to yourself as you do so.Now go up to a different first student and gesture to yourself and say your name, then gesture to them and look enquiringly. It may take a few gestures to get it (and may help if you have the register handy with their names) but you will soon get the student to give their name.Go round several students like this (not the whole class) practicing the gesture and the names. Make sure that the students understand that when you gesture to them, they need to respond with their name.Then get the class up and into pairs and saying their name to each other.Hello, NameWhen the class have understood about giving their names, bring back the first word you taught. Go to another student, give your own name and gesture for them to give you their name. When they do that, shake their hand and say, Hello, [name].As before, practice this a few times with different students but then get students practicing it together amongst themselves while you go around the class helping out and encouraging.Again, this uses a basic principle of teaching. You introduce a language item, practice it, then introduce a second language item and then go back and practice both together.My name is XThe next step is to get the students back in their seats with you at the front. Stand and say clearly, My name is [your name]. Repeat it several times clearly and slowly.By this time you may have identified someone in the class who perhaps either knows a little bit of English or maybe is picking up the language a little quicker or maybe is less shy at speaking. Go to them and gesture to yourself saying, My name is [your name]. Gesture to them to repeat (obviously substituting their name!).Once the student has responded correctly, move on to the next. As with the Hello by the end of this activity you should have the whole class walking around telling each other their names.Gestures & StyleIt is obvious here that gestures are the key. Make them simple and bold and above all, keep calm, patient and friendly throughout. If a student doesnt quite get what you are saying, it is not their fault. They are in a completely new environment and this is understandable.If you notice that one of the students picks up the phrases quickly, then by all means use that student first as you progress. In this day and age it is unlikely that the students will have no knowledge of English whatsoever, so the reason many might not speak immediately is due to lack of confidence rather than inability.For this reason use the more confident and knowledgeable students first so that the others can hear more and see what they are supposed to do.ContentThe students are by now familiar with two basic phrases:hellomy name is Other basic phrases can be taught in exactly the same way but building on those above. For example, with a simple gesture one can turn, My name is X into, Your name is Y and then onto, His/Her name is Z.Give the students plenty of practice to give them confidence in speaking. If they are good students and have mastered these phrases easily, by all means using the same techniques of gesture, repetition and practice then move on to further phrases they will find useful:I am from London.He is from America.and so on.However, bear in mind that in teaching English the main emphasis is on quality rather than quantity. It is much better to have your students spend 45 minutes practicing 2 or 3 phrases well rather than skimming over 10 or 15 phrases.So this means presenting, practicing and then practicing some more which is the foundation of TEFL teaching.ConclusionThis is quite a lot of content for the first lesson so there needs to be plenty of practice. It is not a matter of going straight through to the end, but of:presenting new content to the classpracticing new content with the classallowing the class to practice new content with each otherThen move on to another piece of content but always make sure to go back and repeat and revise previous content as you do so. For example, half way through the lesson suddenly turn to a student and shake their hands and say, Hello and wait for them to respond.Above all, keep calm, speak slowly and never try to rush things through. Let the students practice and then practice some more so that they are supremely confident with these few phrases. Smile a lot as well; this is fun and if you can get your students to enjoy English they will learn so much more!See AlsoTeaching Beginners ideas and strategies for teaching beginnersTrain to Teach English an online course to teach you how to teach Welcome to the first lesson in our ESL course, designed especially for adults who are just embarking on their English learning journey. This foundational lesson aims to provide students with the essential language to start a basic conversation in English. By the end of this session, students will have mastered the basics of greetings, introducing themselves, and sharing simple personal details.The lesson starts with sample boardwork that highlights a practical way to express the lesson's target language. Following this, we have included several low-resource classroom activities where students get hands-on practice with the alphabet and introduce themselves to their classmates. To encourage learning at home, we suggest a homework task that aligns with the lesson's objectives. Lastly, we conclude the lesson with a classroom game idea. If you find our free materials helpful and wish to access all our teaching resources, we recommendbecoming a member. Additionally, we advise exploring theTEFL Handbook app. It's tailored for classroom use and offers teachersoffline accessto all our lesson plans. The students learn to say hello, introduce themselves and give some simple personal information.Start by adding the target language for this lesson to the board. If you don't have a translator in the classroom, learn the expressions in the students' native language beforehand, along with the command 'repeat after me'. Step through each line and have the class repeat it back to you. Add the L1 translations as you go to make sure that students are following the lesson.Next, complete the dialogue on the right-hand side of the board with the help of your students. Add the speech bubbles first, then use gestures to indicate that you want them to suggest the correct phrase for each bubble. For this activity, everyone will get a chance to introduce themselves to the class using the target language for the lesson.If you have worked through the board work for this lesson, you can now do this follow-on speaking activity. The class will take turns, acting out the rehearsed dialogue contained in the board work.As the teacher, you will kick things off with a student positioned close to you. That student will then take your role when they practise with another student. Repeat this until the entire class has had a chance to practise both scenarios. For this activity, the students will have to listen to and repeat the English alphabet.There may be students who are already familiar with the alphabet, so it may be possible to elicit the majority of this. You might even be able to move through this quickly. For example, by stepping through the entire alphabet initially, and having the students repeat each letter after you. The following instructions will suit a group with little to no knowledge of the alphabet.Before we begin, we might want to add the phrases below along with translations in the students' first language (their L1):Repeat after me.Repeat with me.Make sure the students know the difference before moving on.Now we can start by adding the first three letters of the alphabet to the board. After that, attempt to elicit the next four (D-G) and add these on the same line. Say to the students "Repeat after me" and recite the first seven letters of the alphabet. Do this as many times as you feel is necessary for the level of the class. Don't forget to move your finger along the board as they say the letters.Add the next four letters (H-K) on a new line and have the students repeat those back to you in a similar fashion. When you are happy with the pronunciation, ask the class to repeat A through K along with you. Say "Repeat with me" and lead the class through the letters pointing to each on the board as you go.You can repeat this process for the entire alphabet. There is a suggestion of how to break this up in the board work for this lesson. The students will learn to spell some simple vocabulary related to things they see in the classroom.Start by adding the phrase "How do you spell desk?" to the top of the board. If you don't have a translator in the class, look up the L1 translation and add it to the board underneath.Next, draw a picture of a desk in the top left corner of the board and mark four blank spaces underneath, one for each letter. Elicit the correct spelling by gesturing to the question above. After you have added the correct spelling to the board, have the students repeat the spelling and the word after you.Teacher: Repeat after me. D-E-S-K, desk. Students: D-E-S-K, desk.Repeat this as many times as you feel is necessary before moving on to a new word. You can repeat this process for the following vocabulary.chairpencilpennotebookbagboard/whiteboardteacher Give the class a video suggestion to practice the alphabet and spelling.If you have a way to share videos with the group digitally, share the following video with the students so they can practise at home.If possible, demo the video with the students, pausing where necessary to repeat the letters. You could even do this on your phone or tablet. Players have to draw images of the newly learned vocabulary on the board while their teammates guess what they are.This modified version of Pictionary can be played with absolute beginners. However, if you don't have a translator available and have no knowledge of the students' L1, it may be tricky to organise. Therefore we recommend having a good look at the instructions beforehand and decide if it will work for your group.Start by splitting the class into two teams and dividing the whiteboard into three even sections. In the top corner of each section, add three short vertical lines to represent three lives. These will be the number of guesses each team has per item.On each turn, give a list of three classroom objects to one of the students. They must then represent each on the board using only images and symbols. Their teammates earn 5 points when they guess it correctly.Notebooks should be closed for this and teams have only three guesses per item. When a player makes an incorrect guess, mark it as a lost life. If they use all of their lives, they must move on to the next item. Set a time limit of one minute for each round.Count up the scores at the end and remove a point for each incorrect guess. The team with the most points in the end wins.Use the vocabulary from the Spelling bee activity:deskchairpencilpennotebookbagboard/whiteboardteacher ESL Pals has a huge range of beginner ESL lesson plans. All our A1-A2 lesson plans cover fun, engaging topics; covering essential vocabulary and grammar. What is an A1 ESL student? An A1 ESL student can understand and use frequently-used everyday expressions as well as simple phrases. They can introduce themselves and can ask and answer questions about personal details, and they can interact in a simple way if spoken to slowly and clearly. All beginner ESL lesson plans from ESL Pals factor in the aforementioned abilities of an A1 student, making the lesson plans achievable for learners while allowing them to progress by learning new aspects of the language. Do ESL Pals have an A1 ESL curriculum? Yes, there is an A1 ESL curriculum on eslpals.com available right now to all members. 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