

The Role of Discourse Analysis in Education

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ABSTRACT

In this article, the importance of the science of Discourse Analysis in Education, how to increase critical thinking skills of young people through this science, to develop oral speech in English, and most importantly, the teaching methodology, to make students more interested in Education with interesting topics of the science have been widely explained through many examples.

Introduction:

Discourse plays an important role in communication. With the help of discourse, we can easily connect with people who are in one discourse with us. If we analyze the term “Discourse”, it comes from Latin language “Discursus” which means conversation and speech between individuals. Also, it would be verbal and written discourse. In addition, this field is extremely important in Education. Because it gives a chance people to express their ideas, opinions and thoughts, also to figure out complex problems in education. We know that discourse is defined as the theory like “language beyond the sentence”.

Therefore, without discourse, there would no such things like education, because ideas, opinions must be shared with someone and explored for learning to happen. Because of discourse professors and teachers can connect with their students in many easy ways which is related to academic subject materials in education. Students listen them and try to understand all tasks which were given by their educators; as a result, they are able to answer the questions. When learners face some difficult exercises, they may write and analyze them. These can be verbal and written form of discourse in learning. Besides, it will be useful while students are communicating with their peers. I believe that discourse is main part of our life.

How can discourse help students to increase their critical thinking skills and develop oral speech in English?

Critical thinking skill is essential for everyone, especially students.

“Critical thinking is the ability to apply reasoning and logic to new or unfamiliar ideas, opinions, and

situations. Thinking critically involves seeing things in an open-minded way and examining an ideas or concept from many angles as possible”, Margo Upson said. We know that this skill is crucial to understand people’s notion easily. With discourse, students can increase their critical thinking skill which helps them to create new possibilities in problem solving.

People who have best critical thinking can tackle any issues in everywhere. By discourse analysis , students have enough knowledge and critical thinking skills which help to gain academic success. Developing skills in discourse will also aid learners in their life and future career path. Furthermore, this field has some specific strategies to increase our speaking section in English. Many tasks are given by teachers which are related to speaking.

For example, in Fergana State University Discourse Analysis is chosen by students who are studying in Philology and teaching foreign language (English). In discourse analysis, we have full of information which was given by our teacher. There are several ways to improve our speaking in discourse analysis which we learnt from our teacher. She gives many topics which we usually use in communication. We prepare for every tasks and also learn new vocabularies which are related to topics. The most important thing is that while we preparing for tasks , we can enhance our vocabulary point. Besides, we watch English movies which help to grow our pronunciation. After that, we will hold a conversation on the given tasks. These help to make our speaking point very high and also make our speech colourful.

Themes of Discourse Analysis and Teaching Methodology ...

Students can learn many specific themes with the help of discourse analysis. These are vital for our study. They include “Grammar and discourse, cohesion and coherence, communication, speech act, newspaper articles and etc.” By learning these themes students have been improving their English language day by day. If we take communication as an example, while students are learning it , they have information regarding it’s types, how is it important in our life, also how can we socialize with individuals. Without any doubt, students gain high knowledge and can broaden their horizon.

Moving into details about methodology in discourse, it can be interesting and satisfied for students. Because it has many motivated and wonderful ways to encourage students. Contrasting with other subjects, discourse has more teaching strategies. Full of educational games are clear example of it.

To conclude, Discourse analysis can help students to learn more and more things which will be profitable for their English and education. With the help of it, learners will be motivated and they choose their future without any difficulties. I believe that it leads everyone to have full of amazing lectures and games in education.

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