



Teacher Training Session 8: Grammar Games and Activities

Here are two ways of teaching grammar. What is the difference? What are the pros and cons of both ways of teaching?

Present Verb Tenses – Grammar Table	Vs.	Present Verb Tenses – Communicative Approach
I go – I am going You go – you are going He/she goes – he/she is going We go – We are going They go – They are going		Alice: Hi Fatima, where are you going ? Fatima: I'm going to school right now. I go to school every day. Where are you going ? Alice: Me, I'm going to the football field. I play football on Saturdays.

What is the **communicative approach**? _____

Read the dialogues. What grammar is being taught with the communicative approach?

Dialogue 1 teaches: _____	Dialogue 2 teaches: _____
Kelsey: Excuse me, could I see that necklace? Karim: Which one, this one? Kelsey: No, that one over there. The gold one. Karim: This one? Kelsey: Yes. Hmm...this is nice. How much is it? Karim: That one is \$100. It comes with those earrings. Kelsey: These earrings? They're beautiful! I'll take them! Karim: Okay! This necklace and these earrings will look very nice!	Hadidja: Help! I just saw a thief! Jess: Where? I can barely see. It's very dark outside. Hadidja: I saw him walking slowly by the window! Jess: Are you sure? I'm listening carefully and I can't hear anything... Hadidja: I'm pretty sure. Well, I'm almost sure. Jess: Look closely! Fortunately there is no thief. It's just a shadow in a tree!

Grammar Games: What are some grammar games you've played before? How do we use games to teach grammar to students?

Practice: Create a game or a dialogue using the grammar function given to you by the teacher. Remember, try to teach the grammar using the communicative approach!