



USE OF POWERPOINT TECHNOLOGY TO INTERPRET AND TEACH POETRY AT THE SECONDARY LEVEL

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ABSTRACT

Education is the process of start, stimulate and sustain to become an educated person. It is the skill of learning to learn. In educational process, Educator should use modern tools in to a classroom. It helps to gain better result from modern learners. The use of PowerPoint presentation in English language classroom is an effective modern educational aid. It assists tutor to select and create authentic material to use in a classroom. Use of PowerPoint presentation helps to bring change in a language teaching and learning traditional pedagogic classroom. It helps to facilitate learner for language acquisition through multimedia. PowerPoint presentation tool (material) helps teachers to make their learners interested in study. These are the aim and object to present paper first bring (PowerPoint) technology and multimedia in a classroom for teaching and learning purpose, second to become familiar with poetic terms, third to bring extensive reading in a classroom forth learn language with poetry, forth use of PowerPoint presentation to learn language with poetry.

1) INTRODUCTION

PowerPoint presentation helps learner to develop sustainable learning process. It assists tutor to create interaction with various technological tool to learn poem effectively in a classroom. According to a statement made by, Sam Pitroda, (advisor to the Prime Minister on public information infrastructure and innovation) “The old model of education has to be replaced by a new model through which teachers can be mentors, and children can learn from each other and not only through teacher” (21—23). In this study PowerPoint aid supports teachers to give immediate feedback, and self-pace to learners in their study. The present paper is concerned with the use of PowerPoint presentation to interpret and teach poetry effectively.

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Today's educators are needed to use effective modern tools to deliver effective communication in a classroom. It helps to get effective result in case of the learners.

PowerPoint presentation becomes an important educational aid in the modern world. In a poem, the poet uses every word carefully and effectively. These words have colours, meanings, images, ideas, expression, feelings, and emotional sense. Readers should feel it to understand poem effectively. PowerPoint technology helps to create sensitive environment with pictures, colours, video clips and motion pictures to learn poem effectively for pupils in a classroom. It helps to read poem extensive way in a classroom. It is an effective tool of visual communication. This paper helps teacher trainers and teacher to prepare effective teaching plan and lesson plan to interpret and teach poetry with PowerPoint aid. It helps students to understand poem in enthusiastic and effective way in a classroom.

In Indian education, teaching poem is a difficult task for teachers. The foreign backgrounds and cultures of most English poems are unfamiliar to Indian pupils. Teachers' interest in poetry is also an important in teaching poetry. The students, especially from rural area have fear in their minds about English language and English poetry. Crowded classroom is an additional obstacle in a teaching process in India. Thus, in this situation the use of PowerPoint presentation helps teachers to create interactive, friendly environment to interpret and teach poetry in a contextual way in India.

Imitation, representation, interpretation and creation are the main aims of poetry teaching. Use of PowerPoint presentation for interpretation of poetry creates enjoyable environment in a classroom. According to Frederick R. Barnard, "One picture is worth ten thousand words". PowerPoint helps teacher to explain a poem in an effective way in a classroom. It provides visual communication between learners and their own study. In poetry, PowerPoint supports teacher to explain foreign background and images in a non-native classroom. PowerPoint tool creates environment to engage the learner in a communication process. It provides various opportunities to learn things in different way with group activity in a large classroom. It helps teacher to integrate audio-visual aid. It helps to produce text based effective audio-visual educational material. PowerPoint aid makes visualisation effect on learners' minds' to learn poem and language skills easily in life context.

2. Using PowerPoint Tool to Develop Language Skills through literature (Poem):

Literary text can become an effective pedagogic tool use with PowerPoint aid. According to Noam Chomsky, "The truth of the matter is that about 99% percent of Teaching is making the students feel interested in material."(50) PowerPoint provides teacher an opportunity to explain textbook with audio-visual way. It makes magnitude sense in learners' mind to

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understand language and literature. Thus PowerPoint multimedia tool helps to engage learners' both sides of the brain at the same time in learning process. It also provides information quickly, accurately and permanently to learn language. Literature or poetry provides various opportunities to develop language skills, vocabulary, comprehension skills in effective way. Thus, literature is a substance of language. It provides stage to use and learn language in effective way.

Presenter has done investigation carefully on problem of English poetry and language learning at non-native context. Paper presenter has used pilot project and multimedia approach to understand problem faced by teacher as well as learner. Presenter has used discussion method, interview methods, and classroom observation to take an action faced by teachers as well as learners at non native context.

3. Guidelines to Design the Use of PowerPoint Tool to Interpret and Teach a Poem:

The following guidelines help teacher to prepare a lesson plan to Interpret and Teach Poem with PowerPoint Technology.

3.1 Preparation of the Questionnaires:

Literature is the best use of language. Poetry is not an exception to this. The teacher should read and understand the poem carefully. He should give oral interpretation using the following questions

- 1) What is poem about?
- 2) What elements of poem are important to performer in poem?
- 3) Who is a speaker or narrator in a poem?
- 4) What is a central idea in the poetry?
- 5) How can this poem be communicated to the audience?
- 6) How can we start poem's introduction with proper commentary in effective way?

These all questions help to interpret oral presentation to teach poem with PowerPoint. It provides imaginative idea to teacher to arrange thing with PowerPoint.

3.2 Smooth Beginning and Pre-teaching Activity:

In classroom, learning poetry on the basis of listening is a weak source for students. Visualisation and observation are powerful, creatable and fruitful ways to learn thing effectively for student. At the beginning of a poem, teacher should show various pictures to

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identify poem's title and extensive ideas to students. Teacher can use pictures from various sources like newspaper, magazines and internet. Teachers arrange the headlines in order that makes sense or states a message. They should show images, pictures, graphs with context of lesson in a classroom. It helps students remember better. At the beginning of the poem, teacher should ask student something about favourite ideas related poetry topics. They can arrange the activity with the help of PowerPoint aid.

- 1) Would you like to become successful in your life?
- 2) What is your aim in your life?
- 3) What is your strength and weakness?
- 4) Would you like to suggest some successful persons' names in business?
- 5) What is the difference between success and failure?

In classroom, there must not be compulsion to student to give answer. Teacher can also start poem with video clips related to poem's topics. This activity makes awareness for student to interpret meaning of poem title creative way.

3.3 Background Information about the Poem and the Poet:

After the title introduction and pre learning activity teacher should provide task poem's background and author's life introduction in brief way in classroom. It helps to learner to develop ideas about poetry beyond in their study.

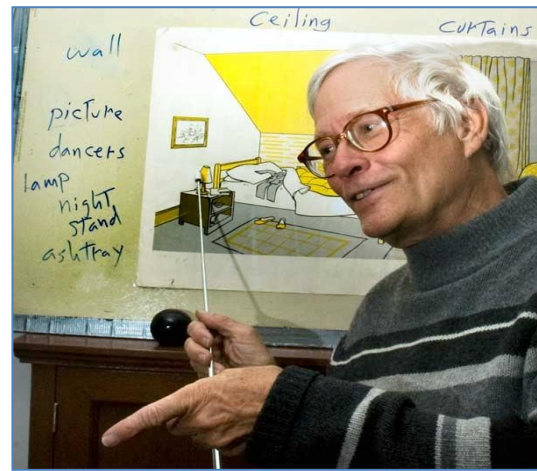
3.4 Focusing Attention on Extensive Reading of the Poem in Classroom:

Teacher should arrange poetic stanza in PowerPoint to bring extensive reading in a classroom. Teacher allows student to read poem loudly. This activity helps student to develop their confidence and language proficiency. The goal of extensive poem reading is to enlarge learner's vocabulary, to develop learners' reading comprehension skills and develop logical thinking ability to analyse poem. Extensive reading helps to understand poem musical sound effects a conscious expression. It also helps to develop imagery expression in effective way to understand poem. It gives experience to do logical thinking to understand and interpret poem. It gives experience to do logical thinking to understand and interpret poem. It gives motivation to reader.

3.5 Enhancing Vocabulary of the Students with the help of poem:

In poetry interpretation word has important role to enhance poem meaning with proper context. In poetry teaching, teacher gives support their students to understand difficult vocabulary at the time of poem reading. Teacher will arrange various activities to enhance ask poem vocabulary. Teacher collects some phrases, antonyms, synonyms, homophones related poetic stanza.

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In this picture teacher has arranged some words on power points with picture. It helps student to understand difficult words meaning with image context. It helps student to understand visual impact for a long time. Teacher should provide exercise on poem related vocabulary use with social, culture and traditions its importance in a classroom. This experiment helps the student to interpret poem in meaningful way. It also helps to understand vocabulary for the life purpose. Teacher should also explain use of expressions and poet's emotions attached with the words. It helps the student to bring creative ideas to explain the poem in effective way.

3.6 Developing Communication Skills:

Poetry is a best source to explain the stock of knowledge. In extensive poetry reading time teacher should provide various opportunities to student. This will encourage them to think about meaning and express their interpretation in their own way. Teacher should involve student poetry related topic discussion and debates. It develops communication skills in the classroom. Teacher should explain poem with polite conversation. They should give proper instructions to understand the poem with PowerPoint. PowerPoint helps student to interpret and discuss poem stanza with peer group. Teacher should encourage student to interpret poem on its understanding basis. It helps to express ideas coherently and logically.

3.7. Develop Comprehension skill, Assessment and Reinforcement

PowerPoint helps to develop comprehension skill effectively. The students will be able to defend on interpretation of poem of their choice in peer group with PowerPoint presentation. Student can analyse, express and interpret the poetry work through their performance of task poem. After poetry teaching, teacher should provide essay type questions for interpretation to be done individually on task poem by students. Teacher should involve student to learn from



the environment around in a classroom. They can arrange games, debate and motivations to develop confidence of the student for understanding the poem effectively.

4. CONCLUSION:

Thus, in this chapter the researcher has discussed on use of multimedia and Power Point to interpret and teach poem. We also discussed on oral interpretation of poetry technique with the help of PowerPoint. Teacher has to use Power Point aid to bring extensive reading in a classroom. It helps student to understand poem and language efficiency in a useful manner. In modern world, PowerPoint is an effective tool to interpret and teach poem effective way in Indian context to learn literature and language.

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