

Communication Skills – July – 2023

Effective communication is 20% what you know and 80% how you feel about what you know." – Jim Rohn

A language is not fully learned until it can be comprehended (Listening and Reading) and expressed (Speaking and Writing) proficiently. This month, different activities were carried out to practice vocabulary, stimulate thinking skills and practice reading in a fun way.

Weekly New Word – Synonym - Antonym

Every week a new word along with its synonym and antonym is introduced grade wise. The definition of the unfamiliar word, its synonym and antonym is explained to the class and the students are encouraged to adapt the new words in their daily conversations which is beneficial in their vocabulary upgradation.

Dear Students, The word for this week is "PIQUANT" which refers to food that has an appetizing flavor and is tasty. Synonym - Zesty Antonym - Bland

Dear Students, The word for this week is "DAUNTLESS" which refers to being fearless and determined. Synonym - Brave Antonym - Fearful

Vertical Word Vocabulary

Students of grade II and III had their vocabulary reviewed with a fun vocabulary game. The words were vertically written on the board and the students had to form words with the respective letters of the main word, sometimes bound to a particular category. Points were awarded to groups that came up with difficult and long words. The activity helped students recall words that they were familiar with.



Vocabulary Race

Grade I had their vocabulary reviewed with Vocabulary Race. The class was divided into groups of two – Boys and Girls, and each team had to alternatively state words starting with the last letter of the previous word. The students were highly engaged in this fun vocabulary revision.



Vocabulary Train

Word association was practiced in grade I to III with the Vocabulary Train game. The class was divided into different groups, and a word was written on the board to which the students had to give words associated to the previous word. Each group had to give a word after the completion of one round of the train, this helped in working up their brain and coming up with related vocabulary stimulating their thinking skills.

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Rainbow Words

In this delightful activity for grade IV and V, the class was divided into groups of two, where the groups alternatively had to decide on the color and different categories. They had to name things based on the decided color-category for as long as possible. This activity fostered their creativity in coming up with vocabulary confined to specific categories.





Meaning Decode

Grade VI to VIII were introduced to new vocabulary through a challenging activity. A few unfamiliar words were written on the board and the students, in groups, had to interpret and write the meaning of those words. The students then had to read out their definition to the class, to which the class had to consider the meaning and vote. Later, the original definitions were explained to them. This facilitates the discovery of new words enhancing the students' vocabulary skills.

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Anagram Words

Continued from the previous month for grades IV and V.

Word Association

Continued from the previous month for grades VI to VIII.

Read Aloud

In the Read Aloud activity for grade II to VIII, emphasis was placed on oral reading skills. Students were taught the main skills that are predominant while reading aloud, starting with correct pronunciation to fluency and vocal expressions. Different and often confusing words were written on the board for the students to practice their pronunciation, along with it, different sentences relating to emotions (Happy and Sad) were also written up for the students to read expressively. This helps in shaping students' oratory skills and make them better speakers.

Students of grade I were encouraged to read short stories and sentences to build their reading skills.



Tongue Twister Cards

Students of grade II to VIII practiced Tongue Twisters which is beneficial in improving pronunciation, speech clarity and enunciation skills.

