

TEACHER'S CORNER – APRIL 2015



CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT

“Classroom management” is a broad concept. It can encompass numerous topics such as:

- Classroom administration, logistics, and routines
- The EFL classroom’s physical layout
- Lesson planning
- Communication strategies
- Encouraging a positive atmosphere
- Maintaining discipline

While diverse, all of these topics relate to creating a classroom environment that fosters language learning, uses time and resources effectively, and ensures both teachers and students feel motivated and engaged.

This month in the Teacher’s Corner, we will take a closer look at classroom management topics related to establishing class routines, grouping students, and creating positive rapport with students. First, we will examine ways to involve students in classroom routines and processes to create time efficiencies and encourage student responsibility. Next, over the course of two weeks, we will explore several techniques for creating impromptu groups and pairs for collaborative activities or projects. Finally, we will think about ways to use positive language with students to create an atmosphere of mutual respect.