

CHAPTER 6

The Effect of Project-based Teaching on Language Learners' Success in Social Environments

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INTRODUCTION

A language is learned through auditory, visual or kinesthetic means. However, all information students acquire through learning become meaningful to the extent that they are used for communication purposes in social settings. Whereas, in the last 10 years, we are all aware that rapid technological developments that have led to the differentiation of learning paths have encouraged individual learning in many areas, including language education. Besides, the pandemic process we have been experiencing nowadays isolated students from their peers or communities are even more. These developments and mandatory changes clearly show that there should be some changes in the roles of teachers and students. Here, it is important for the teacher to manage the whole teaching/learning process well and for the students to plan the work to be done individually, to discover new learning areas and ways, and to carry their language gains into social settings.

Learning in human life begins at birth and continues throughout life. At a very young age they develop many abilities and skills such as seeing, hearing, moving, touching and feeling, crying, laughing, understanding, noticing the differences/similarities between objects and in more advanced stages thinking, questioning, analyzing and interpreting. Learning also includes communication and interaction with other people as well as individual capabilities. This means that during learning learners also need social settings where they can meet other people.

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while raising analytically and critically thinking problem solvers who can make research, make decisions, take responsibility, work collaboratively and become actual successful language learners in social environments.

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