

Teachers Notes on Module: Learning to Learn

Objectives:

The main objective of this module is to help learners acquire the vocabulary and language to describe their own educational experience and to identify their reasons for undertaking the course. A further aim is to focus learners on language difficulties and encourage them to devise strategies to accelerate their progress in English.

Suggested order of worksheets:

1. Expectations of Educational Systems:

To examine learners' previous educational experience and to contrast it with the Irish system. To outline their expectations of different educational establishments in Ireland.

2. Language Learning Guidelines:

To provide practical guidelines for language study. To help learners identify their areas of difficulty and to encourage autonomy by devising strategies to improve language capabilities with reference to the guidelines.

3. Targets and Outcomes:

To identify learners' targets and their reasons for undertaking the course.

4. Second Level Education:

To familiarise learners with the Irish education system and to help them to acquire functional language and vocabulary.

5. Learners and their Courses:

To focus learners on how courses are linked to jobs and careers by reading about four people who are studying for specific qualifications, each with a definite career target.

Language and Vocabulary

- Vocabulary to describe education, courses, educational establishments
- Vocabulary to describe qualifications, training
- Vocabulary to understand Irish systems