

The Challenges and Strategies of Teaching Non-native English Speaking Students- A Personal Perspective and Teaching Experience

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Outline

- Challenges with local Taiwanese and International students
- Strategies to overcome challenges



Local Students VS Foreign Students

Local Students

- Afraid to answer questions because some of them thought their answers could be wrong and others could laugh at them.
- Language barrier, could not speak fluently.
- Since the foreign students always answer, just let them answer.

Foreign Students

- Dare to answer questions regardless right or wrong answers.
- No language barrier.
- Since local students always dislike or don't answer, then we have to answer.

Strategies to Overcome

1. Never judge each group of students they are the same!
2. Observe, collect evidence, evaluate, test, re-evaluate, re-test.
3. Change approaches if the earlier approaches failed.
4. Encourage students to answer BUT how???
 - Give them time to discuss in a group of 2-3 persons, go around, listen and talk to them.
 - Be an intermediate person, “bridge” between the local and foreign students.
 - Remember each of their name and call them by name to answer.



Thank you for your attention!!



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