

UNEX Developing Written Skills



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Duration: 20-30 min

Description

This exercise is a summary of the whole UNEX T-YOU course. It helps to gather experiences related to exercises about the development of individual skills. Students have the opportunity to express their opinions about the exercises and how they influence the development of their competences. Creating a school magazine concerning the project will also be an interesting souvenir. In addition, this exercise helps to train the ability to write short articles.

Objectives

1. Development of writing skills.
2. Training the ability of creating short articles.
3. Practicing the ability of expressing student's opinion in writing.

Activity(ies) (Stages)

1. At any point in the UNEX T-YOU project, the teacher asks the students to write down their impressions of the activity. This exercise can take various forms. For example, the teacher after each type of the exercises can ask two students to describe their impressions, make an assessment of the exercise, ect. (as a homework). Or the teacher can ask all the students from time to time to describe in 20 minutes their impressions concerning the project and the exercises.
2. The teacher checks the articles and corrects mistakes – he discusses them with the students.

3. At the end of the year, the teacher and the students create a magazine with students' articles. The magazine can be divided into various sections, e.g. "general impressions", "what have I learned?", "my favourite exercise", "what would I correct?", ect.

Tips for trainers

- Try to explain to students how the short article in a magazine should look like. Give example phrases, show examples of texts.
- It is important to discuss with a student the text he wrote – identify and explain mistakes so that he will not make them in the future.

List of resources, materials etc.

- A computer and a printer – to create and print the magazine.

Evaluation/Feedback

A teacher answers the questions:

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| • Were students interested in the exercise? | Yes | No |
| • Does the exercise motivate students to develop writing skills? | Yes | No |
| • Is this exercise useful? | Yes | No |