Testing Vocabulary (The second part).

5-Forming Sentences:

This technique is a **productive** one as the students are asked to **use** certain words in meaningful sentences or to **show** the differences in meaning between pairs of words by using them in different sentences.

6-Gap Filling:

This technique is of two types: **1-discrete -point test** which is based on unrelated set of single sentences and it is commonly used by the teachers because it can test a large number of the lexical items which the students have studied during the course .**2- Contextualized test** which is based on a connected text and because the teachers are restricted by the text, they are not free to test the words they intend to assess .Therefore ,this type is not preferable by many teachers .

7-Cloze Test:

There are **six** types of this technique:

A-Typical Cloze test in which the students are given a **text with deleted words** and they have to fill them with suitable ones:

B-Cloze Test with Deleted words and Blanks.

In this test the **blanks of the given text are deleted** and the students are asked to **mark** the **place** of the deleted words and write them .

C-MC Cloze Tests:

This technique is combined with multiple -choice and at each gap, instead of having a blank, three or four choices could be supplied and only one of these choices or options will suitably fill the gap. The options could appear between brackets after each blank space given at the bottom of the text.

D-cloze test with pictures.

In this technique the **pictures** are used instead of the blanks spaces and it is most suitable with **beginners**.

E-C -test:

It is another alternative of cloze test and as its name suggests ,every **second word** in a text is partially deleted but this technique may be **irritating** for the students because they have to process heavily broken texts .

F-Cloze Elide:

In this technique ,words which **do not belong** to a text are inserted and the students have to indicate where insertions have been made .This technique is also known as the **intrusive word** technique .

8- Grid :

It is a technique in which the students are required to show their understanding of the material presented in **the boxes** and respond by selecting the boxes they think are appropriate to their answers and presenting them as a number or sets of numbers. This technique is often used with **testing** collocations.

9-Integrated test.

In this technique ,the vocabulary Items can be tested as part of the **integrated skills i**n the comprehension questions ,for example ,asking the students to read a certain passage and answer the questions given below it .

Good luck.

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