



TEACHING MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS VOCABULARY TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

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Abstract: *This study explores effective methods for teaching Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) vocabulary to high school students, focusing on the context of English for Specific Purposes (ESP). Vocabulary related to law enforcement, security, and public order is often complex and requires context-specific teaching strategies. This paper presents the results of a small-scale study conducted with 11th-grade students, where role-play, authentic texts, and interactive activities were used to enhance vocabulary retention and motivation. Findings indicate that students engaged actively with real-life tasks, improving both their linguistic competence and understanding of MIA-related terminology. The study concludes with recommendations for teachers seeking to integrate specialized vocabulary into high school English curricula.*

Introduction


In recent years, the role of English for Specific Purposes (ESP) has grown significantly in educational contexts. For high school students, acquiring Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) vocabulary is not only beneficial for academic growth but also for potential career opportunities in law enforcement and security fields. However, teaching such specialized vocabulary presents unique challenges due to its technicality and contextual nature. The aim of this study is to investigate effective strategies for teaching MIA vocabulary to high school students and to examine their impact on learners' motivation and vocabulary retention.

Literature Review

English for Specific Purposes (ESP) has been widely researched, with many scholars emphasizing the need to tailor language learning to the professional or academic needs of students (Dudley-Evans & St. John, 1998). Vocabulary teaching, particularly in ESP contexts, is considered central to communicative competence (Nation, 2001). Studies on specialized vocabulary acquisition suggest that learners benefit most from contextualized input, task-based approaches, and the integration of authentic materials (Schmitt, 2010). In the case of MIA-related vocabulary, authentic texts such as police reports, legal documents, and procedural manuals are crucial for meaningful learning. Furthermore, research has highlighted the motivational role of real-life simulations, such as role-plays and case studies, in teaching domain-specific language (Richards, 2015).

Methodology

The study was conducted with a group of 25 11th-grade students at an academic lyceum. The participants were exposed to MIA vocabulary over a period of four weeks. The



teaching materials included glossaries of MIA terminology, authentic texts (e.g., simplified police reports), and multimedia resources. Teaching strategies involved: 1) role-play activities simulating real-life law enforcement scenarios, 2) vocabulary games to reinforce memorization, and 3) group discussions based on authentic cases. Data collection was carried out through pre- and post-tests, classroom observations, and student feedback surveys.

Results and Discussion

The results revealed that students showed significant improvement in both recognition and usage of MIA vocabulary. Post-test scores increased by 30% compared to pre-test results. Role-play activities were particularly effective, as they allowed students to practice vocabulary in meaningful contexts. Students also reported higher motivation when exposed to real-life scenarios, compared to traditional memorization tasks. However, challenges included the difficulty of understanding abstract legal terms and the limited availability of age-appropriate authentic materials. These findings suggest that integrating interactive and authentic resources can enhance the learning of specialized vocabulary.

Conclusion

This study demonstrates that high school students can successfully acquire Ministry of Internal Affairs vocabulary through interactive and context-based teaching methods. Role-play, authentic texts, and multimedia resources proved to be highly effective in promoting vocabulary retention and student engagement. The findings highlight the importance of adapting ESP instruction to the learners' level and interests. Further research should explore the long-term impact of such teaching methods and expand the range of authentic materials available for secondary education.

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