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ABSTRACT
This article examines the need for learning English grammar to enhance the language learning process. Learning grammar rules helps us to make our communication coherent and logical. Understanding the use of noun, verbs, adverb, adjective, phrase or clause helps us to write English better. Good grammarians have the chance of becoming the next great poet, journalist, novelist, or orator. Better grammar knowledge makes learning additional languages easier. Personal enrichment is increased through grammar. We can comprehend many of the great classics of the English language. No one can deny that studying English grammar is beneficial for taking college entrance exams and competitive exams. Learning grammar is an important endeavor. It is an enjoyable process of learning with many benefits.

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When we start learning a language, it is important to learn some basic grammar. This is very much necessary to understand the structure of a language. Learning grammar gives knowledge to put words together in a sensible order and add the right endings. Grammar helps a lot in better communication. For example, when we talk about details of ‘qualification’ while expressing in a job interview as a fresher; we can express it in “the present perfect tense”; “I have completed my PG course in ABC college of Arts and science” “I have received my M.Phil degree from “the University of ABC”

When we talk about ourselves, we apply “the present simple tense” to express about our routine life and regular habits;
“Usually I get up at 5’o clock in the morning”
“Regularly I take this medicine”

Learning grammar rules helps us to make our communication coherent and logical. Understanding the use of noun, verb, adverb, adjective, phrase or clause helps us to write English better. When we write a letter, we need to know the rule of sentence structure and the customs in letter writing. Basic grammar helps
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a lot to understand literature better. News, stories or poems have a lot of long sentences. By analyzing the grammar of sentences and paragraphs, the readers can enjoy their reading with clarity.

Comprehending grammar intricacies enhances student’s writing. It gives good command over speaking also. People, who are well-versed in grammar, can be better professionals. They are able to know to put right words to give catchy talks.

We need basic English grammar in day to day life situations like writing an email and drafting a long memo. Having strong English skills will help to write a research paper in a science or sociology class. Grammar empowers language skills. College students should take at least an introductory English course that includes writing and grammar. They can also take additional classes to meet their requirements to have better writing and communication skills. Grammar gives a feeling of comfort in writing and reading.

According to developmental psychologist John Holt in his classic text, “How Children Fail.” Holt emphasizes, “However, that classes that focus on repetitive drilling and that fail to make the material relevant to everyday life can actually cause students to dislike reading and English. Choosing a course taught by an expert teacher can help to avoid this problem”.

Learning English grammar and syntax will increase proficiency particularly in written English. Understanding grammatical terminology makes the students competent and confident. Researchers agree that it is more effective to teach punctuation, sentence variety, and usage in the context of writing than to approach the topic by teaching isolated skills (Calkins, 1980; DiStefano and Killion, 1984; Harris, 1962).

Sometimes a grammar teacher is considered as a “boring professor” by some students. But there are many different ways of making grammar a little more interesting. A variety of different games can be done in grammar classes. The Internet is a great source for designing different types of activities. Repetition is the best key to acquire grammar skills. “http://www.musicalenglishlessons.org/ is a good source to make students sing grammar topics for remembering grammar rules faster and deeper.

There is no doubt that playing games will make learning a lot easier. Everyone loves games. The class may be divided into two or more groups. By turning it into a competition, everyone will become a lot more active and motivated.

Story telling is done by almost all the English classes. Students are instructed to form a “story stick” whereby everyone contributes a line to the overall story. If there are any grammar mistakes in this, then leave it until the end. When the entire story is finished and written out on the board, get a student to come up to it and make the appropriate corrections. The corrections will be recorded in their mind effectively.

Print out of simple crossword puzzles can be given to the students in the class room. It will help them to learn more synonyms, antonyms and enrich their vocabulary.

List of words can be given and students will write their all possible parts of speech for that word. For example, if “beautify” is given, they will write adjective, adverb and noun form of the given word.

Role plays, discussions and other group activities will both keep students interested in grammar classes and keep them to participate and give their best. By giving proper appreciation for their tasks will make learning more enjoyable.

An English teacher should assign written grammar activities and exercises for homework and use classroom time for more interactive and communicative activities.

Variety is the spice of life. Doing different types of activities with every few grammatical concepts will give a healthy atmosphere in the class. For example, a student is instructed to act for a word, other students will find out that word. Playing a video clipping and asking a question regarding the clipping is a good method to enhance listening and speaking skills. Visual learners will absolutely enjoy learning with videos.

Quality grammar will open doors of opportunity, and may even allow to create verbal and written masterpieces. Good grammarians have the chance of becoming the next great poet, journalist, novelist or orator. Better grammar knowledge makes learning additional languages easier. We can recognize patterns and words with the association of grammar skills. Personal enrichment is increased through grammar. We can comprehend many of the great classics of the English language. No one can deny that studying English
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