

English Language students learning key linguistic theories



A Level English Language students have been finding new and innovative ways of learning key linguistic theories for their studies. They have added kinaesthetic methods of revision to their language repertoire. This has included the adaptation of the game of Twister, where the names of theorists have replaced the colours on the mat. Students must place a hand on the theorist and name their area of study and findings. This has proved to be highly successful as an examination strategy.

The students are currently learning about World Englishes and how language is used by people of diverse cultures. They are also exploring the ways in which English is used globally by specialist communities as the international language of finance, microbiology and air traffic control. The flexibility and fluidity of English means it is now accepted as a new international standard language used by global citizens. Students are evaluating the different views and approaches to the study of global English as an aspect of language change in the ever-evolving language of English.

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