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English for Communication at School

Classroom communication in language teaching plays an important role and is necessary for successful teaching. A teacher should be proficient in all four modes of communication- listening, speaking, reading and writing- and should know how to utilise this proficiency effectively in a school environment. It can be used to expose everyday language before the learners. The following expressions can be used according to the needs to control the class and to get the students focused before beginning any session-

Getting the Students Focused	
• Please come in.	• Come here, Open the window.
• Take your seats, please.	• Settle down.
• Please be quite!	• No noise, please.
• Stop chatting! Stop speaking!	• Stop whispering, Hemlata.
• Don't shout, Arun.	• Use the equipments properly.
• Share your ideas with the whole class.	• Be quiet when the teacher is talking.
• Keep your table tidy.	• Help keep the classroom tidy and clean.
• Listen to me.	• Stay in your seats.
• Cooperate with the monitor.	• Don't come out of your place/seat.
• Roaming in classroom is forbidden.	• Be in time.
• Accelerate your writing speed.	• Line up neatly and quietly.
• We won't start until everyone is quiet.	• Ok, that's enough.
• No vandalism is allowed in the classroom.	• Wait for your turn.
• Don't ever try to distract the class during lesson.	• Don't hurt others.
• No sleeping/yawning in the classroom.	• No name calling.
• Listen to the instructions first and then follow.	• No name calling.
• Don't interrupt in-between and value other's view.	• Listen please!
• Calm down!	• Sit properly/still.
• Respect and listen to your classmates.	• Concentrate on your own work.
• Don't try to peep into others notebook during tests.	• Be prepared for the class tests.
• Go out.	• Go back to your place/seat.
• Stand by your notebook/pencil/work/assignment/file etc.	
• Don't peep out of the window.	• Do try to hurry up.
• If you don't be quiet, you can.....	• Be quiet and sit down.
• Just sit down and be quiet.	• Just put that book away.
• Just pass me that book, Avdhesh.	• Just turn the lights and fans off.
• Lower down your voices.	

Expressions showing annoyance

• I am very upset by your performance in the class test/unit test/exam....
• I am livid right now.
• Don't make me lose my temper by asking pity things over and over again. You just can't crash other child's notebook. See all her work disappeared.
• Just take care of these silly mistakes. I may go off on you if same repeated.
• Stop arguing.
• Both of you come here. I saw you having a heated argument in the ground/hall/lunch break. * What's the matter?
• I am tired of your excuses.
• I am fed up with you/your excuses.....

Greetings in the classroom

• Good morning, class.
• Good afternoon, everybody/boys and girls/children.
• Hello, everyone.
• Hello there, Diksha.
• What a lovely/rainy day/pleasant morning!
• How nice to see you all back.

How are you?

• How are you today, Surender?
• How are you getting on?
• How are you doing?
• How's life?
• How're things with you, Mahesh?
• Are you feeling better today, Deepak?
• Hope you've recovered from your cold, Chitra.
• I hope you are all feeling well.
• I hope you are all feeling fit today.
• I hope you all had a nice/good weekend/holiday.
• How about you, Abhishek? What did you do during.....

Introductions

• Let me introduce myself.
• My name is Mr/Mrs/Miss Manju/Mahesh and I'm your new English teacher.
• I'll be teaching you English this year.
• I'm a teacher trainee and I'll be teaching you today. I've got ten lessons with you.
• I want to welcome Manish to our class.
• Welcome back to school/class after your holidays. Hope you had a great/enjoyable vacations.
• Welcome back every one!

- Welcome to the new session. It's going to be a fantastic year full of learning and growing together.
- Happy first day of the school to everyone after a long/short break.
- I am so happy to see you back in the school/classes after lockdown/break.
- It's a great opportunity to be your teacher here in SBMPS. I am so excited/inspired by you.

Transition to work

- It's time to start now. • Let's start our (English) lesson now, shall we?
- Is everybody ready to start?
- I hope you are all ready for your English lesson.
- I think we can start now.
- Let's stop now and start today's topic.
- Are your desks tidy?
- Don't forget to bring your map/colours next time.
- Let's check the answer we did in last class.
- We haven't heard from you yet.
- Have you ever heard about.....
- You are almost to the answer....
- I didn't get it. Can you reframe your answer/rearrange your thought and say again.
- What makes you think that?
- I'm waiting to start.
- It is a test. You have 20 minutes to complete it.
- I'm waiting for you to be quiet.
- We won't start until everyone is quiet.
- Stop talking now so that we can start.
- Settle down now so that we can start.
- Put your things away.
- Pay attention, everybody.
- Listen to this tape/audio....
- Repeat after me.
- Again, please...
- You have five minutes to finish this.
- Today we will learn...
- Now we can get down to work.
- Are you ready?
- Who's next?
- Take out your stationery/colours/pen/pencil...
- You need fevicol/compass/ruler for this.
- Hold your compass/pen/ruler like this.
- I am repeating one more time, please.
- Are you following?
- Ok so far?
- Say it again, please.
- I don't get it.
- Is this ok?

• Are you with me?
• Do you understand?
• Have you understood?
• What did you say?
• Pardon, please.

Taking attendance

•Are you ready for attendance.
• Attendance, please.
• Attend your roll call.
• Ok, let me take attendance first and then we'll start lesson.
• It's time for roll call. Pay attention, please.
• Let's have a roll call first/now.
• I want you to pay attention to your roll call.
• Students, at the time of roll call, answer up to your name/roll numbers.
• Respond to your roll call else you will be marked absent for today.
• Students, come to class on time and don't keep away during the roll call.
• Why is class strength so thin today?
• Her attendance is already short. I am afraid if she could appear in exam.
• Who isn't here today?
•Who is absent today?
• I am calling out your names to mark your attendance in the register.
• Please, pay attention. • Girls/boys/students if you skip your name you will be marked absent so please be attentive.
• Why were you absent for last two days, Ankit?
• What's the matter with Soniya today?
•What's wrong with Puneet today?
• Who is missing?
• Who isn't here?
• Has anybody seen Vinod today?
• What's wrong with Ganesh?
• Has anybody any idea where Bhawani is today?
• Who was absent last time?
• Who wasn't here on Monday?
• Who missed last Wednesday's lesson?
• You weren't at/in the Lesson, Pawan.
• Where were you in class?
• I am really displeased with your Performance. I was expecting better.
• Why are you late?

Late comers

•What happened? Why are you late?
• Where have you been?
• Did you miss your bus?
• We started fifteen minutes ago.

• What have you been doing?
• Don't let it happen again.
• Please reach school in time.
• You should do something to resolve your snooze issue.
• Did you over sleep/miss your bus/van?

Appropriate replies

• I don't know/I've no idea.
• I haven't seen him today.
• He wasn't here yesterday, either.
• He's ill/not well.
• He wasn't feeling well, so he went home.
• He's gone to the doctor/dentist.
• He's gone for an X-ray/a medical examination/an interview.
• He has probably missed the bus.
• He has got the flu/a cold/a temperature.
• He is in bed with the flu/a cold/a temperature.
• I've been sick.
• It was my birthday/parents birthday/celebration at home yesterday so I overslept in the morning.
• My car didn't start for an hour.
• I witnessed an accident and helped the injured.
• I stuck in traffic.

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