



THE EFFECT OF READING ON IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUNICATION SKILLS

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Abstract

Foreign language learning without reading is difficult, because reading provides learners with a good opportunity to understand the written texts. Through better comprehension, learners stand for a better chance of having a good command of language. There is an increasingly high relationship between reading and communication skills. There is no question that people who attain grammar and vocabulary knowledge through reading tend to develop accuracy and fluency in communication. Word knowledge, which is considered as essential in foreign language learning process, plays a facilitating role in improvement of communication skills. Therefore, fostering vocabulary and grammar knowledge through reading will lead to speaking skills. This study focuses on how written words contribute to speech.

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