

Teaching Language through Literature

Literature plays an important role in teaching four basic language skills like reading, writing, listening and speaking. Literary texts provide wide scope to explore multi-dimensional use of the language. Literary texts especially stories can be used in the language classroom effectively for developing the major skills as well as different sub-skills of the learners. Literary texts are especially valuable, since they draw on resources of the language more fully. Literature teaching brings together the interconnected skills of advanced reading and writing, which are often separated, these related skills must be combined together.

Reading literature familiarizes students or learners with subtle vocabulary usage, new syntax, and contribute to the extension of language usage and linguistic knowledge. Another advantage of using literature in language classes is the promotion of language use in EFL settings.

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