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Yabancı dil öğretimi programlarında kelime öğretime gereken önem verilmemektedir. Ders saatleri içerisinde de gereken zaman kelime öğretimi için ayrılmamaktadır. Bu durum göz önüne alınarak öncelikle bu alanla ilgili literatür incelemesi yapılmıştır.

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## ABSTRACT

This thesis is an attempt to make a general survey in vocabulary teaching and to follow systematized techniques in the area of vocabulary teaching and learning with the helping students who have learned a little English, but need to make a fresh start.

Chapter I is an introduction which presents the scope of the thesis.

Chapter II includes a berief review of the emphasis given to vocabulary by different methods and researchers.

Chapter III deals with vocabulary learning and prob-  
lems in learning meaning.

Chapter IV presents vocabulary teaching and catego-  
rize lexical items into two different groups, productive  
vocabulary and receptive vocabulary.

Chapter V involves in the techniques followed in  
the experimental group and the control group and this  
chapter is an t-test analysis based on the data collected  
from the vocabulary tests which were given to the students  
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## CHAPTER I

### INTRODUCTION

For many years, programs in ELT gave little attention to techniques for helping students learn vocabulary. Pronunciation and grammar were emphasized but there was little or no emphasis on vocabulary instruction. The situation is not much different among the teachers in the Faculty of Engineering. The main purpose of this study is to draw attention to the importance of vocabulary development for the freshmen students of the Faculty of Engineering.

#### 1.1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

From the point of English as a foreign language, the aim of the Department of English in the Faculty of Engineering is to teach the students enough English in a four-year program to enable them to follow the academic studies in their own fields. The order of priority of language skills can be listed as the development of reading, speaking, writing and listening. The importance of vocabulary has been realized and research has been



done to some extent concerning the vocabulary needs of the students of different fields.

Last year colleagues spent considerable time and effort to the development of material to meet these needs and one booklet, aimed at presenting the essential vocabulary items of the textbook Encounters to the freshmen students through crossword puzzles and word games, were prepared.

In addition to these efforts in material development when colleagues came together for the discussions of lexical problems, such questions were raised:

- i. Which English words do the freshmen students need to learn?
- ii. How can so many needed words be taught in two years
- iii. Why are some words easier than others to learn?
- iv. Which aids to vocabulary teaching are available?
- v. How can we encourage the freshmen students for their own vocabulary learning?
- vi. What are some good ways to find out how much vocabulary the students have actually learnt?

Despite the booklet for vocabulary development, the freshmen students seem to be insufficient in vocabulary

because of several reasons. Firstly there is a strong belief in most colleagues that vocabulary must be learnt rather than taught. The second reason, some teachers believe that words should not be taught before their students mastered the grammar. Especially when there is a time constraint, the teacher usually gives priority to the teaching of grammar structures or to the practice of certain skills and expects the students to handle the new vocabulary items himself. Finally, some teachers are not usually disposed to spending any class time to activities aimed at vocabulary development.

In the light of these facts and taking the needs of our students, the time constraints and the problems of the teachers into consideration, the purpose of this study is to make a general survey and follow a systematized technique in vocabulary instruction.

The thesis also hopes to attract the attention of the teachers who have doubts about whether the students can be helped in their difficult task of vocabulary learning

As mentioned before, the chief purpose of the English Department in the Faculty of Engineering is the development of the reading and speaking skills. This means that emphasis should be on the development

of both their receptive and productive vocabulary

The scope of the study is limited in certain respects. The lexical items considered in this study are the ones given in vocabulary list in their textbook Encounters. From the point of English level of the students, they have little English and need fresh start. In other words, they are 'false beginners'.

This study does not deal with the psychological factors such as the age of learning or motivation.

Idioms and technical words were left out of the scope of this study, mainly because the purpose of the department is limited.

## CHAPTER II

### REVIEW OF LITERATURE

The goal of the first part of this chapter is to analyze how different methods emphasize vocabulary teaching. The results of this analysis will be compared with the results of the research findings.

#### 2.1. GRAMMAR - TRANSLATION METHOD

Grammar- translation usually consists of the following activities :

- I. Explanation of a grammar rule, with example sentences.
2. Vocabulary is presented in the form of a bilingual list.
3. A reading selection, emphasizing the rule presented in (I) above and the vocabulary presented in (2).
4. Exercises are designed to provide practice on the grammar and vocabulary of the lesson. These exercises emphasize the conscious control of structure and include translation in both directions, from native language to the target language and from the target language to the native language.

The grammar- translation approach emphasizes the study of grammar by the use of long explanations given in the mother tongue. In this approach translation is the major purpose and vocabulary is taught at great length. Thus, textbooks include long lists and vocabulary and learners have to memorize these lists along with their equivalents in their native language. Besides that, they have to spend a long time looking up words in the dictionary. Learners are assumed to learn the language if they succeed in translation.

## 2.2. AUDIO - LINGUAL METHOD

Audio- lingual language teaching was firmly grounded in descriptive linguistics affected by the learning theories of behavioristic psychology. Behaviorism maintains that the learner shows an active response to stimuli selected by external factors, and if the proper reinforcement is given, behavior will change. Leonard Bloomfield (1942) and Charles Fries (1945) were among the advocates of the descriptive school.

Fries (1945) claims that the main problem in language learning is not that of learning vocabulary items, but it is, first, the mastery of the sound system. He states that only after the sound system has been achieved, the learner should concentrate on the features of arrangement that constitute the structure of the language until they become automatic habits. Fries offers the following conclusion :

"Of course these things can not be learned in a vacuum. There must be sufficient vocabulary to operate the structure and represent the sound system in actual use. A person has 'learned' a foreign language when he has thus first, within limited vocabulary mastered the sound system, and has, second, made the structural devices matters of automatic habit ....The extension of his control of cotent vocabulary will then occur and with increasing ease. "

(I945:3)

Lado (I945) notes that audio-lingual pattern drills focus the students' attention away from the new structure. For example, the student may think he is learning vocabulary an exercise such as :

That is a ..... (key, knife, pencil, etc.)

(cued by pictures, as in Lado and Fries, I958)

but in reality, according to audio -lingual theory, the student is making the pattern automatic.

In audio-lingual textbooks, dialogues are used to introduce new structures and new vocabulary. Vocabulary is strictly controlled in the elementary stages as more emphasis is given to learning the sounds and the intonation patterns. While students study the dialogues by mimicking the model the teacher or the tape provides, they also learn the vocabulary and the new structures. Thus, vocabulary is learned in context as opposed to the traditional approaches where the words are presented in the form of lists. The same vocabulary items appear in the drills which follow the dialogues.

### 2.3. COGNITIVE CODE

Cognitive psychologists emphasize the role of the mind as an active agent in learning, as opposed to behaviorists who claim that learning is a process of acquiring new behaviors through conditioning and reinforcement, giving much emphasis to the role of the environment.

The influence of cognitive psychology on linguistics led to the development of a new school referred to as transformational-generative linguistics. Chomsky had an important role in the foundation of this school. The purpose of transformational generative linguistics is an understanding of the total language process.

As cognitive teaching emphasizes understanding and not habit formation, the format of cognitive textbooks is different from that of audio-lingual ones. In order to enable the students to comprehend the concepts involved, priority is given to conscious learning. There is renewed interest in teaching vocabulary. New vocabulary is presented in context. Visual aids, definitions, explanations are used to teach meaning. Using the native language to convey meaning of new vocabulary items is also permissible.

#### 2.4. CURRENT VIEWS ON VOCABULARY TEACHING

As it can be seen, for many years, methods gave little attention to techniques for helping students learn vocabulary. Something else accounts for today's concern with the learning and teaching of vocabulary. That is the fact that scholars are taking a new interest in the study of learning and teaching of vocabulary, such as :

Wilkins (1972) is against the delay of vocabulary teaching except when the aim of the course is to give mastery of the language in the long run. He does not accept the idea that vocabulary would be initially less important than grammar in cases where there is a social need to use the language. He emphasizes the fact that while without grammar very little can be conveyed, without vocabulary nothing can be conveyed. Therefore, Wilkins suggests that considerable consideration should be given to vocabulary from the beginning.

Judd (1978) argues that massive vocabulary teaching should begin as soon possible, and the status of lexical knowledge should be given greater emphasis, especially at the university level. He disagrees with that vocabulary would be an extra burden in the earlier stages and claims that there is no incompatibility between vocabulary instructions and grammar teaching.



## CHAPTER III

### LEARNING VOCABULARY

#### 3.1. KINDS OF WORDS

It seems useful to write about distinction between different kinds of words before going into a discussion of vocabulary learning in a foreign language. Researchers divided words into different categories:

Fries (1945) divided words into four categories:

Content words: are the words that function as symbols for things, for actions and for qualities, that is; nouns, verbs, adjectives

things: book, door, chair

actions : go, read, play

qualities: good, calm, rainy

Function words: are the words that show grammatical relationships, that is; articles, prepositions

articles : a, an, the

prepositions : in, on, at, from and so on.

Substitute words: are the words that can substitute

personal pronouns : I, you, he, she, it, we, they

possessive pronouns : mine, yours, his, hers, its, ours, theirs

relative pronouns : which, that, who, and so on.

Words distributed in use according to grammatical matters:

auxiliaries : can, have, is, does and so on  
 connectors : and, but, so, if etc.  
 adverbs of time : since, after, until etc.  
 adverbs of purpose : in order that, so that etc.  
 adverbs of cause : for, because, since etc.  
 question words : when, where, whose etc.  
 intensifiers : enough, very, some etc.

Wallace (1982) categorized words into two groups:

Structure words : are the words that primarily operate as a means of expressing grammatical relations and are almost "empty" of meaning when they are considered in isolation. Modal verbs (e.g. may, can, do etc.), pronouns, conjunctions, prepositions and certain adverbs (e.g. very, rather etc.)

Content words : are the words that function as symbols for the phenomena of the real world. They include nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs formed from adjectives (e.g. beautifully).

Although the research mentioned above have divided words into different categories, they all gave the name "content words" to the big group of words containing nouns, verbs, adjectives. Words which are used to express grammatical relations are called "structure words" or "function words". The number of content words in any language is usually much larger than the function

words that show grammatical relationships. As noted before, content words are unlimited in number. When a new idea or concept is developed, a new word is formed to express it. These words also show difference in meaning according to the contexts in which they occur.

### 3.2. PROBLEMS IN LEARNING MEANING

Learner has some difficulties in vocabulary learning because of the false assumptions and beliefs and also because of the nature of vocabulary itself.

Fries (1945) summarizes the basic false assumptions as follows:

- a. Words of different languages are simply different sets of symbols of the same things. Therefore, all that is necessary is to learn a new name for each item. (This may be true only for highly technical words.)
- b. A word is a signal meaning unit.
- c. There is only one real or basic meaning for each word, all others are figurative or illegitimate.

Wilkins (1972) mentions the same kind of fallacy of the nonlinguist. He points out that foreign language learning is sometimes considered as a matter of learning a new set of words and their inflectional characteristics. Such an assumption, Wilkins continues, identifies vocabulary learning with the task of remembering which of the forms in the new language correspond to the concepts the learner already possesses. The belief that for every word in the native language there is an exact equivalent in the foreign language originates from the common view that all languages have vocabulary systems composed of

different words which refer to reality in the same way. Thus, the learner tries to substitute new words for those which he knows. This strategy, resulting from the belief mentioned above, is an oversimplification of the complex task of vocabulary acquisition and leads to failure in foreign language learning.

Vocabulary learning is a difficult process and causes problems to the learner because it involves learning the denotative, connotative meanings of words and finally the semantic relationships between words.

### 3.2.1. DENOTATIVE MEANINGS OF WORDS

Denotation refers to the arbitrary relationship between words and the classes of objects or concepts (Wilkins, 1972). Some words have a clear concrete denotation and, therefore, do not pose much difficulty to the learner. For instance: technical words.

1. Television
2. Hair-dryer
3. Telephone

Words, including those which seem to have straightforward meanings, can have a wide range of denotations according to the context. Tadwell (1980) explains the phenomenon of polysemy (many-meaningness) by quoting the slogan "Words do not have meanings; people have meanings for words." and then expanding it to "People do not have a meaning for a word; people have meanings for words." To support his slogan Twaddell gives two different meanings of the noun table in two sentences:

4. She looked at the table and decided it would not go well with her other furniture.
5. She looked at the table and quickly found the square root.

Wallace(1982) quotes five different meanings of the noun table from the Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English and gives an example for each.

Twaddell(1980) states that memorizing pair of words in two languages diminishes vocabulary development due to the phenomenon of heterosemy (lack of one-to-one correspondance between the meanings that speakers of language A have for one of their words and the meanings that speakers of language B have for one of theirs.) An example can be given from the language pair English and Turkish to clarify this point. There is a Turkish word oyunak and there is an English word play (a game) but that word in English is also applied to the playing of an instrument.

Words which have the same pronunciation and/or spelling but different meanings are called homonyms. Wilkins(1972) claims that homonyms may not cause much difficulty to the learner as long as they have clearly different denotations as can be seen in the use of well:

6. He brought some water from the well.
7. He speaks English well.

According to Wilkins a problem arises from the learner when differences of meaning are not so clear-cut. The same lexical item may be used to denote very different types of objects and yet be considered by the native speaker to be obviously logical extensions of the "basic meaning". The following are given to

illustrate his point:

8. kapıyı kapamak	close the door
ışıǵı kapamak	turn off the radio
yolu kapamak	block the road
yüzünü kapamak	cover one's face
perdeyi kapamak	draw the curtain
çukuru kapamak	fill up a hole
zarfı kapamak	paste up an envelope
sözü kapamak	conclude speech

The danger for the Turkish learner here is that he will learn the word close to mean kapamak and he will assume that it can be used in all other cases where kapamak is used in Turkish.

In some cases the word may sound known to the learner just because he knows a word which is phonetically similar to the one he has heard. That is to say, there are pairs of words in English which are similar in sound (not identical as in the case of homonyms) but different in meaning.

9. Ship - Sheep
10. Major - Mayor
11. Application - Implication - Complication
12. Comprehensive - Comprehensible

Laufer(1981) suggests that these words should be referred to as synophones and she claims that these are difficult for the learner because they would lead to misunderstandings resulting from the confusion of sound patterns.

Some synophones differ in a single phoneme (9) If one of the phonemes of the pair does not exist in the native language it becomes difficult for the learner

to distinguish the meaning. In cases where the pair of phonemes is distinguishable the learner confuses the lesser known of the pair with its better known counterpart (10).

Other synophones differ in more than one phoneme (11). These are words with the same root of Latin origin with various prefixes, but the word without the prefix does not have a meaning in English. There are also words with a root more than one meaning and a suffix with a familiar function (12).

These and many other words cause confusion even when they appear in context. As Laufer notes:

For all the validity of context as an aid to the comprehension of unknown words. It seems that its importance should not be overestimated in the case of words which seem familiar to the student. He may try to guess a completely unknown word by context but when he is sure about the meaning of the word, the context often takes a back seat. (1981:198)

### 3.2.2. CONNOTATIVE MEANINGS OF WORDS

In addition to the denotative meanings of words, it is essential to learn their connotations: the meaning which conveys a feeling or judgement. In other words, connotation is concerned with the attitudes, such as approval or disapproval, of the language user. Here are the examples to clarify the term connotation:

13. Skinny - Siska
14. Jean is a communist  
(Communist has favourable and unfavourable connotations in the Soviet Union and the United States respectively.)
15. Are wives invited to the party?
16. Partiyeye karılar davetlimi?  
(Are the broads invited to the party?)

Some words may have similar denotations and connotations in the learner's own and foreign languages. In that case they are relatively easy to learn (13). The difficult ones are those that have similar denotations, but widely different connotations. Examples can be provided from the language of politics (14).

Lado (1972) mentions a group of words which are especially difficult to learn: words which are harmless in connotation in the foreign language but are offensive in the native language and vice versa. Lado states that learners avoid using the words which have bad connotations in their first language even if they are harmless in the foreign language for fear of setting off the same reactions they produce in their native tongue. For example, a Turkish student learning English might avoid the use of the word wife without a possessive adjective like "my" or "his" in a context where it would be perfectly appropriate (15). Because the literal translation into Turkish would sound vulgar (16). Conversely, the learner will use the words which are harmless in his native language without realizing their effect in the foreign language. For instance, an American who is learning Turkish might use the word karı without a possessive adjective if he is unaware of its bad connotation in Turkish (16).



### 3.2.3. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WORDS

Words can be related to each other in terms of their meanings. Since words are not comprehensible solely in terms of their referents, it is important to study these semantic relationships. Only two of these semantic relationship, synonyms and antonyms, will be studied here since they are the most frequently used relationships when teaching meaning and vocabulary expansion.

A:Synonymy: Words which sound different but have the same or nearly the same meanings are called synonyms. It has been said that there are no perfect synonyms. Fromkin and Rodman (1978) state that the degree of semantic similarity depends to a great extent on the number of semantic properties they share. Sofa and Couch, for instance, are almost perfect synonyms. Some words on the other hand, share many semantic properties but cannot be considered synonyms or near synonyms because the additional feature of one of them makes it different from the other. For example, woman and girl are not synonymous because girl has the property of youth.

The difficulty for the learner, as far as synonymy is concerned, is doublefold. Firstly he should not conclude that words which are synonymous can be substituted for each other in all contexts. The verbs begin and start can be substituted for each other in the context "It started/began to rain." However, in the context, "He started the car." the substitution of

began would lead to an incorrect sentence.

Fromkin and Rodman (1978) point to the second type of difficulty for the learner:

Words which appear to be synonymous may differ in appropriateness, which is also part of meaning. Croak in one of its senses means "die", as does "pass on", but your kindly Great Aunt Thereza "passes on", although her crotchety neighbor may "croak". (1978:172)

**B: Antonymy:** Words which are opposite in meaning are often called antonyms. Two words are antonyms if they share all but one property. That is, they are semantically very similar. Fromkin and Rodman suggest three kinds of antonyms: complementarity, gradable pairs and relational opposites.

i. Complementarity: Two words are called complementary pairs when the contrast between them is absolute (alive/dead). For such pairs of words the negation of one asserts the truth of the other (not alive: dead) and (not dead: alive).

ii. Gradable Pairs: Some antonym pairs such as rich/poor, old/young, large/small etc. are called gradable pairs because there seems to be a scale running between two extremes. Negating one member of the pair does not necessitate the truth of the other. For a child of eight, a 35 year old woman may not be young. This does not mean that she is old. With gradable pairs more of one is less of the other. For instance, wider means less narrow. Another characteristic of many gradable pairs is that one is unmarked(17)

and the other is marked (18). For questions of degree the unmarked member is used and not the marked one.

17. How high is it?  
How old are you?

18. How low is it?  
How young are you?

iii. Relational opposites: Pairs of words like give/receive, buy/sell, teacher/pupil involve a symmetry in meaning but a contrast of direction (19).

19. Mary sold a book to Bill: Bill bought a book from Mary.

### 3.3. PSYCHOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE OF VOCABULARY LEARNING

#### 3.3.1. MEMORY

Wardough (1978) defines memory as, "active learning and remembering" and explains the kinds of memory as follows: Memory consists of the sensory information store, the short-term memory and the long-term memory. The sensory information store allows information which is gathered by the senses to be retained very briefly. The short-term memory is a store of limited capacity. Information is retained in the short-term memory for about 20 seconds, a period during which messages are processed. The capacity of short-term memory is limited to about seven unrelated items called chunks. These items drop out of short-term memory unless they are rehearsed. Long-term memory is fairly permanent. Its storage capacity seems unlimited and input that is processed in the short-term memory is stored

here. Converting short-term memories into long-term memories may be one of the problems of learning.

Stewick (1976), after referring to various memory experiments, concludes that any verbal input to the learner's eyes or ears may remain in short-term memory for some time and be available for reexamination and manipulation. For this reason, the learner will have a few seconds to recall the new input, that is the new vocabulary item, if it is not disturbed or replaced by further new inputs during that time. The learner examines this material in his short-term memory, selects appropriate material from his long-term memory, and combines the two sets of information. This kind of organization enables him to retrieve and recognize the material in the future.

### 3.3.2. MNEMONICS

The learner might make use of some learning strategies to make the task of learning new words easy for him. Mnemonic strategies have received considerable attention in cognitive psychology and are believed to have implications for verbal learning.

A mnemonic device connects the new item to be remembered with an item which already exists in memory. The goal of all mnemonic devices is to implant an unfamiliar object, idea or word form into memory through an association with a familiar object. This is done by logical connection, similarity, contrast or simultaneous occurrence (Keller 1978:7)

Learners might make use of mnemonic devices especially at the early stages of development. A phonetic association between the foreign language word and a word in the native language can be formed and the native language word can form a visual image in the learner's mind which would facilitate

the recall of the foreign language word. For example, a Turkish speaker learning English might make an association between the English word dish and the Turkish word diş due to their phonetic similarity and form a striking image such as picturing himself eating an exotic dish offered in a restaurant with his teeth.

Direct borrowings and cognates are two types of mnemonic correspondance suggested by Keller (1978). Words which are similar in form and meaning are called cognates. Etymological similarities between the native language and the foreign language can facilitate the learning of vocabulary items especially at the elementary stage.

Cognates, whatever the cause of the similarity, constitute the least difficult words for the learner (Lado, 1972). Although Turkish and English belong to different language families, they have cognates mostly due to the fact that Turkish has borrowed a lot of words from French, words which have English cognates. These words are similar with only one or two different sounds (20).

20. Music : Müzik  
 Football: Futbol  
 Telephone: Telefon

The task of students learning English for academic purposes is especially easy as far as technical terms are concerned since a lot of these words in Turkish are direct borrowings (21).

21. Electricity : Elektrik  
 Atom : Atom  
 Machine : Makina

The main advantage of using cognates and direct

borrowings is that as students acquire an appreciation of sound changes and phonetic correspondences, they begin to recognize the relationships on their own (Keller 1978:9)

The trap for the learner in using cognates as mnemonic devices lies in pairs of words that are known as deceptive cognates. These are words that have similar forms in the native and foreign language but different meanings. Turkish and English, for instance, borrowed the word artist from French. That is, the form of the word in Turkish is similar to English but the meaning is only partly similar. English uses this word for a person who practices fine arts, especially painting whereas in Turkish, in addition to this meaning, artist is used for actor/actress or showgirl. Therefore, Turkish learners quite often say "Jane Fonda is a well-known artist."

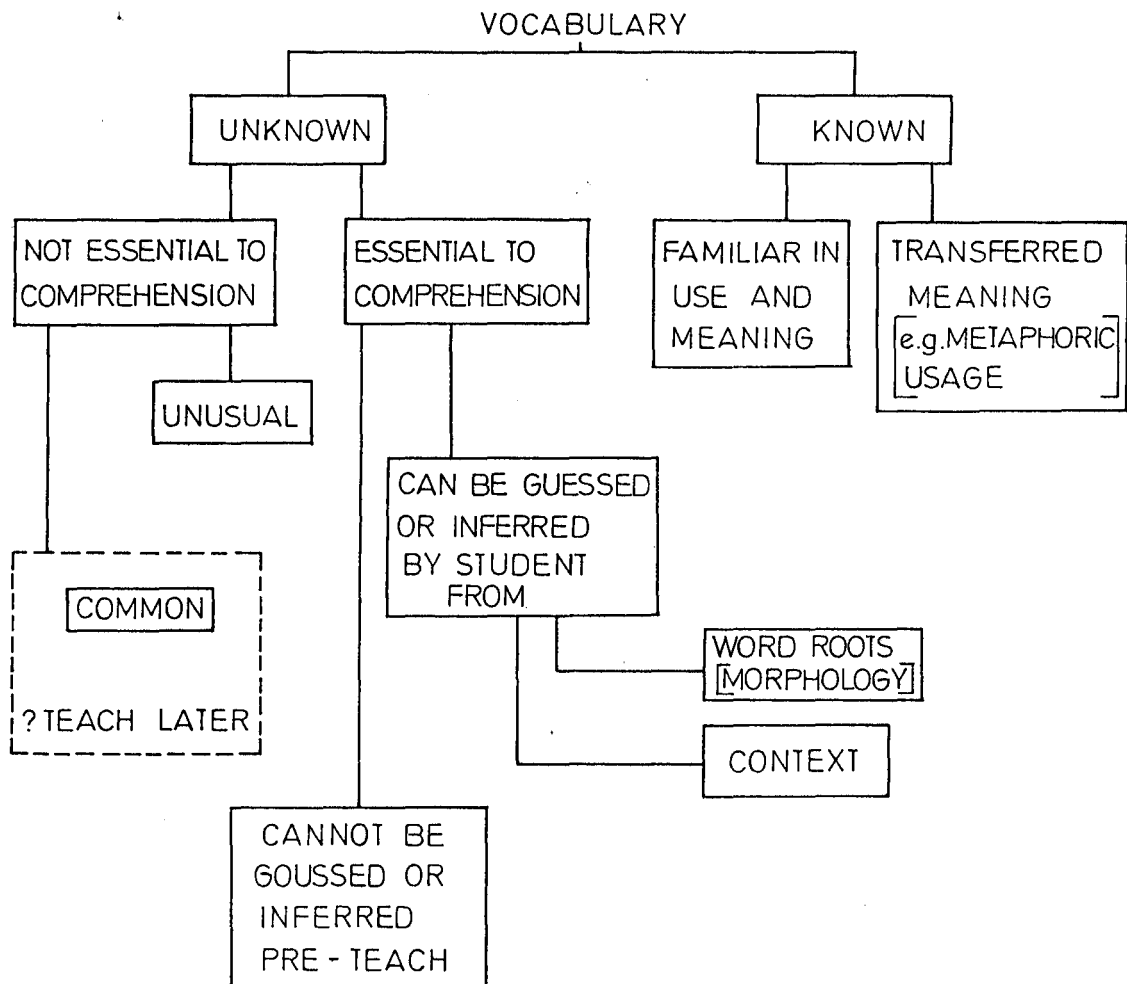
## CHAPTER IV

### TEACHING VOCABULARY

The fact that no two words in two different languages correspond to each other in meaning is sufficient enough to indicate that neither translation nor word equivalent is suitable to demonstrate meanings of vocabulary items. As a matter of fact simply putting across the meaning of the new vocabulary items is not solution to the teaching of words.

Teaching vocabulary is probably the most difficult task of the teacher. It needs careful planning and preparation on the part of the teacher.

Willis (1981:114) recommends the use of the flow-chart given below when selecting the vocabulary items to be dealt with in class.





Willis states that the teacher should study the unit in the course and isolate.

- i. which lexis will need to be pre-thought for active use,
- ii. which lexis could be taught for passive control i.e. recognition purposes only,
- iii. which words are not important in themselves but may cause problems, or cause students to panic , and should therefore, be rapidly pre-taught ,
- iv. which words students should be encouraged to guess from context ,
- v. the words the teacher could help students guess at by asking carefully graded questions, directing them to the correct meaning,
- vi. the words which are uncommon or just too difficult to teach at this stage, that the teacher might translate, if asked to explain them, but would not bother to teach.

#### 4.I. CRITERIA FOR VOCABULARY SELECTION IN TEXT-BOOKS AND SYLLABUSES

Since it is possible to include the total lexicon of a language in a language teaching course, some restriction on vocabulary content is essential . How this selection will be done is a major decision that has to be taken by text-books writers and syllabus constructors.

Wilkins (1976) summarizes the criteria that have been used in establishing the relative usefulness of words :

1. Frequency :The number of times a word occurs in various kinds of text
2. Range : The distribution of a lexical item over a number of different types of text. A very frequent item might be discounted if its range is small.
3. Availability :The items which are the most available for various centers of interest. It occurs for lexical items which may not be particularly frequent but may be of great usefulness in a certain learning situation. The word chalk for example, has a low frequency in the General Service List, but it is undoubtedly very useful in a classroom learning situation. (Wallace, 1982: 16). To establish availability, native speakers are asked to write down a list of those words they would find most useful in certain defined areas of interest.
4. Familiarity :The relative usefulness of words is established by giving a word list to a group of native speakers and asking them to rank these words on a familiarity scale. Thus, if the native speaker uses or comes across a word frequently, he would rank it as "very often". Conversely, if he is totally unfamiliar with the word, he would mark it as "never". Thus, a word which has a low

frequency in the statistical frequency count of a text might prove to be useful when it is ranked on a familiarity scale by native speakers.

5. Coverage: A lexical item is considered to have a wide coverage if it express a range of meanings or is capable of replacing other items of more specific meaning in particular contexts.

It is presumed that the most useful items are those that occur most frequently in our language use. When a corpus material is taken and the relative frequency of the vocabulary items are counted, a word list can be prepared. The words of higher frequency are considered to be more useful to the learner. These word lists have been widely used in simplifying texts for beginners.

Jupp, Milne, Prowse, Sprenger (1979) the textbook Encounters writers, state that these word lists have been widely used to guide teachers in the selection of controlled vocabulary and offer the following ideas :

" New vocabulary is listed at the beginning of each lesson. Words which students are only required to understand are marked with the letter R for receptive. A few words are introduced in the Language Study. If these words are later used by the students in a lesson, they are listed again. It is also indicated where necessary whether a verb is a verb (v) or a noun (n). Verbs are given in the infinitive form only but irregular forms of verbs are included in the Structural Summary at the back of this book. "

There are certain deliberate omissions in the listing of vocabulary. These include some of the vocabulary items in authentic reading passages or realistic art-work when this material is only for scanning to find particular information. Words which are only used in classroom instruction or for language explanations are also omitted. Some of these vocabulary items will be understood by students, particularly the standard class instructions, but it is misleading to give a specific reference indicating when such words first need to be understood or used. A teacher will become quite familiar with the standard instructions in the book and make sure they are gradually understood by students. Finally, the individualised approach used in some parts of the course means that students will understand, learn and use other words which are not in the text at all, and so, cannot be listed.

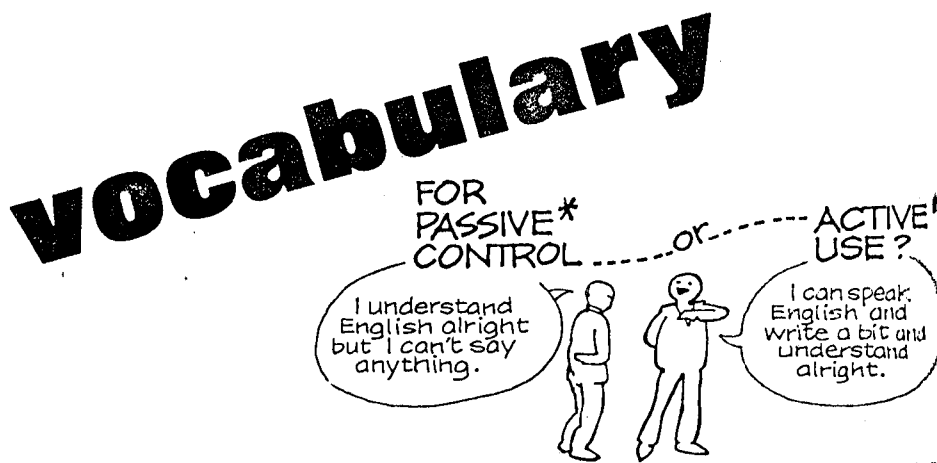
The words lists at the beginning of lessons are a useful reference tool for the teacher. Neither these lists nor the shorter list in the Students' Book is intended as a list for learning. Many of the productive words can often be usefully learned, but certainly not all of them. Learning vocabulary is an important and satisfying activity for an elementary language learner and this is best systematised by the use of a vocabulary note book. The teacher should direct students to copy some items and topic lists into their vocabulary books for learning, but students should also be encouraged to note many words for themselves on the basis of individual interest or need. " (I979:13)

#### 4.2. PRODUCTIVE VOCABULARY - RECEPTIVE VOCABULARY

There is an important distinction between productive and receptive vocabulary. When we speak or write a language we choose words from a stock of words in our brains, the forms and the uses of which we recall quickly whenever

we need to express the meanings they symbolize. These can be called our "productive vocabulary ". There are other words which we do not know well enough to use when we speak or write, but which we recognize the meanings of when we listen or read them. These words can be called our "receptive vocabulary " .

Willis (1981:14) defines the productive vocabulary as " vocabulary for active use " and the receptive vocabulary as "vocabulary for passive control ". She illustrates her idea with a picture :



The important task at this point is to decide which words are to be taught at the productive level and which at the receptive level. Only then the appropriate technique of teaching will be decided on.

As mentioned before, the teachers who use the text-book Encounters do not have any difficulty to decide which words are to be taught at the productive level and which at the receptive level because the text-book Encounters, at the beginning of each chapter, gives a vocabulary list including words to be taught for productive use and for receptive use.

#### 4.3. ABILITIES TO "KNOW " A WORD AND LEVELS OF COMPREHENSION

Just it is impossible to include the total lexicon of the language into the course, it is equally impossible and inadvisable to expect the learner to gain the same type of skills for all the words that are included.

Wallace lists the abilities required in order to "know" a word as well as a native speaker knows it. This involves the ability to :

- i. recognize it in its spoken form
- ii. recall it at will
- iii. relate it to an appropriate object or concept
- iv. use it in the appropriate grammatical form
- v. in speech, to pronounce it in a recognizable way
- vi. in writing, to spell it correctly
- vii. use it at the appropriate level of formality
- viii. be aware of its connotations and associations
- ix. use it with the words it correctly goes with

Almost all of the abilities above are necessary for speaking and writing, that is, for production. It is clear that gaining these abilities is a complex task :correct pronunciation and stress in speaking, correct spelling in writing, correct form in both are required in addition to correct meaning.

Dale, O'Rourke, Bamman (1971) claim that there are several levels of comprehension involved in word knowledge :

- i. I never saw it before
- ii. I have heard of it, but I do not know what it means
- iii. I recognize it in context, but I do not know what it means
- v. I know it

Dale, O'Rourke, Bamman (1971) suggest that teachers and students should concentrate on stages two and three in an attempt to move as many " almost known " words into stage four. Consequently, they should work systematically and follow certain methods for teaching and practicing new vocabulary in order to move stage four as many words as possible.

## CHAPTER V

### RESEARCH PROJECT

#### 5.1. INTRODUCTION

The following survey reveals the completion of the research project. During the semestre two types of vocabulary instruction were given to the first-year students of the Faculty of Engineering of the Anadolu University, Eskişehir. These vocabulary instructions can be named as 'Experimental Vocabulary Instruction' and 'Routine Vocabulary Instruction'.

Two groups of equal language level were selected to be the experimental and control groups. The control group was taught through the routine methods employed in the Department of English over the years. However, the experimental group was exposed to the type of vocabulary teaching that was developed for the purpose of this project.



## 5.2. PRESENTATION OF NEW VOCABULARY FOR PRODUCTIVE USE IN THE EXPERIMENTAL GROUP

Considering the idea that emphasis should be given on vocabulary, 20 minutes for vocabulary was set aside at the beginning of each one-hour class and steps directing the vocabulary building can be summarized as follows:

Step 1 : Giving a vocabulary list to the students.

Step 2 : Using devices to put across the meaning:

- drawing {
  - pictures
  - diagrams
  - maps

- active demonstration, mime

- translation into their native language

- commands

- bring the real thing into the classroom

- synonyms-antonyms

- using the word in a sentence and let the students guess.

Step 3 : repetition of the word at least three times.

Step 4: Asking questions to practise the word.

Step 5 : Asking the students to write the model sentence on the blackboard or to dictate it in their notebooks.

Step 6 : Exercises, activities, and games.

The steps followed to teach a new word can be clarified by an example.

The word to be taught is "purse" as a noun.

Step 1 : "Purse": noun.

Step 2 : This word lends itself to bring into the classroom therefore the teacher can use a real object.

Step 3 : Repetition of the word: purse, purse, purse.

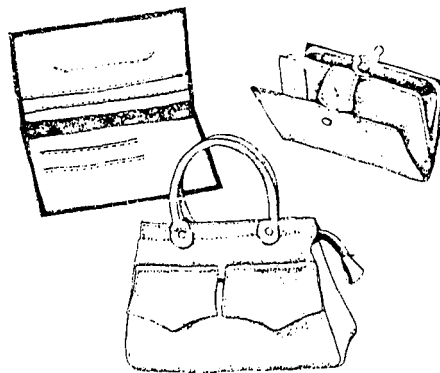
Step 4 : Who has got a purse in the class?

Tell me what you have in your purse.

Are you afraid of losing your purse?

Step 5 : She always carries her purse in her handbag.

Step 6 : Name the following pictures.



It is important to provide the students with various types of exercises so that they can practice the words they are trying to learn together with their associations. These exercises help them to focus on the meaning of these words.

Unless the students encounter the words they have learned again and again, they will forget them. For that reason, they need exercises, activities and games (Appendix) to recirculate these words through their conscious mind. The aim of such activities should not be to fill in the last few minutes of a lesson. Although a game might be played just to enliven the class and change the atmosphere, the reinforcement of the vocabulary items already learned should be a purposeful activity and sufficient time should be allocated to it in planning a lesson.

Various types of exercises, used for vocabulary reinforcement, were selected at random in this thesis. (Appendix III) The exercises were mostly taken from the book *Play Games With English*, written by Colin Granger and John Plumb (1980)

### 5.3. PRESENTATION OF NEW VOCABULARY FOR PRODUCTIVE USE IN THE CONTROL GROUP

Considering the ideas that vocabulary is learned rather than taught and grammar should be emphasized rather

than vocabulary, the following steps were followed for vocabulary instruction in the control group.

Step 1 : Have you got any word you missed in the text? If there is, step 2 and step 3 were followed:

Step 2 : Using definitions from a dictionary or translation into their native language.

Step 3 : Underlining the sentence in which the word to be taught takes place or writing a model sentence on the blackboard.

The steps followed to teach a new word can be clarified by an example.

The word to be taught is "baggage" as a noun.

Step 1 : Have you got any word you missed in the text?

Step 2 : Baggage: bagaj, yolcu eşyası.

Step 3 : The porter put the baggage on the train.

Since the students were expected to learn the vocabulary themselves, no class time was set aside for exercises, activities and games.

#### 5.4. TEACHING RECEPTIVE VOCABULARY IN THE EXPERIMENTAL GROUP AND THE CONTROL GROUP

Diller (1978) claims that the adult native speaker's English vocabulary is more than four times what it is commonly thought to be. Diller offers the following conclusion:

Diederich and Carlton, in their Teacher's Manual for Vocabulary for College B (1965) state that "A conservative estimate is that the average high school graduate recognizes (with some degree of comprehension) approximately 50,000 words in his reading but uses no more than 10,000 in his writing and probably less in speaking" (p.3). But the median score for 23 high school seniors whom I tested was 216,000 words. I tested 196 people in that study, and it seems that even seven-year-olds have a recognition vocabulary of more than 50,000 words. For a half dozen college professors, the median score was 247,500 words. The test I devised was based on Webster's Third New International Dictionary of the English Language (1966), which has more than 450,000 entries.

(Diller 1978:128)

All the data above demonstrates that a native speaker of English has a vast passive vocabulary which he uses in reading and in listening. A foreign language learner cannot be expected to learn so much vocabulary within a few years and to use all the vocabulary to be taught, for productive performance. Nevertheless, he is faced with the important task of extending his receptive vocabulary in order to develop the two receptive skill of reading and listening.

As mentioned in 1.2., the chief purpose of the English Department in the Faculty of engineering is the development of the reading and speaking skills. This means that emphasis should be on the development of their both receptive and productive vocabulary.

In order to develop the receptive vocabulary of the students in the experimental group, vocabulary cards and extensive reading texts (Appendix V) were recommended but the students in the control group were not recommended these activities because the syllabus for the control group did not include any separation of the vocabulary items to be taught.

## 5.5. RESEARCH PROCEDURE

### 5.5.1. SUBJECTS

52 first-year students of the Department of Architecture, experimental group, and the Department of Industrial Engineering, control group, at the Faculty Engineering, Anadolu University, Eskişehir, served as the subjects for this study.

The same 52 students were assigned to the pre-test and post-test.

### 5.5.2. DESIGN

Two groups were used for this study. Each group included 26 students. The first group was named as "Experimental Group" and the second group was named "Control Group". The first group received experimental vocabulary instruction and the second group received routine vocabulary instruction.

Both groups have been taught for 12 weeks. At the beginning of the application, a pre-test was given and the same test was given again 12 weeks later. The results were analyzed in terms of "t-test".

### 5.5.3. TESTS

Experimental group and control group were tested by giving pre-test and the same test was later used as the post-test. These tests include 100 vocabulary items, content words, which are randomly selected from the lists given at the beginning of five chapters of the textbook Encounters. As pointed out in Chapter 3, content words include adjectives, nouns and verbs. These words also show difference in meaning according to the contexts in which they occur. For that reason, it was considered

that the words selected for vocabulary test should be given in context.

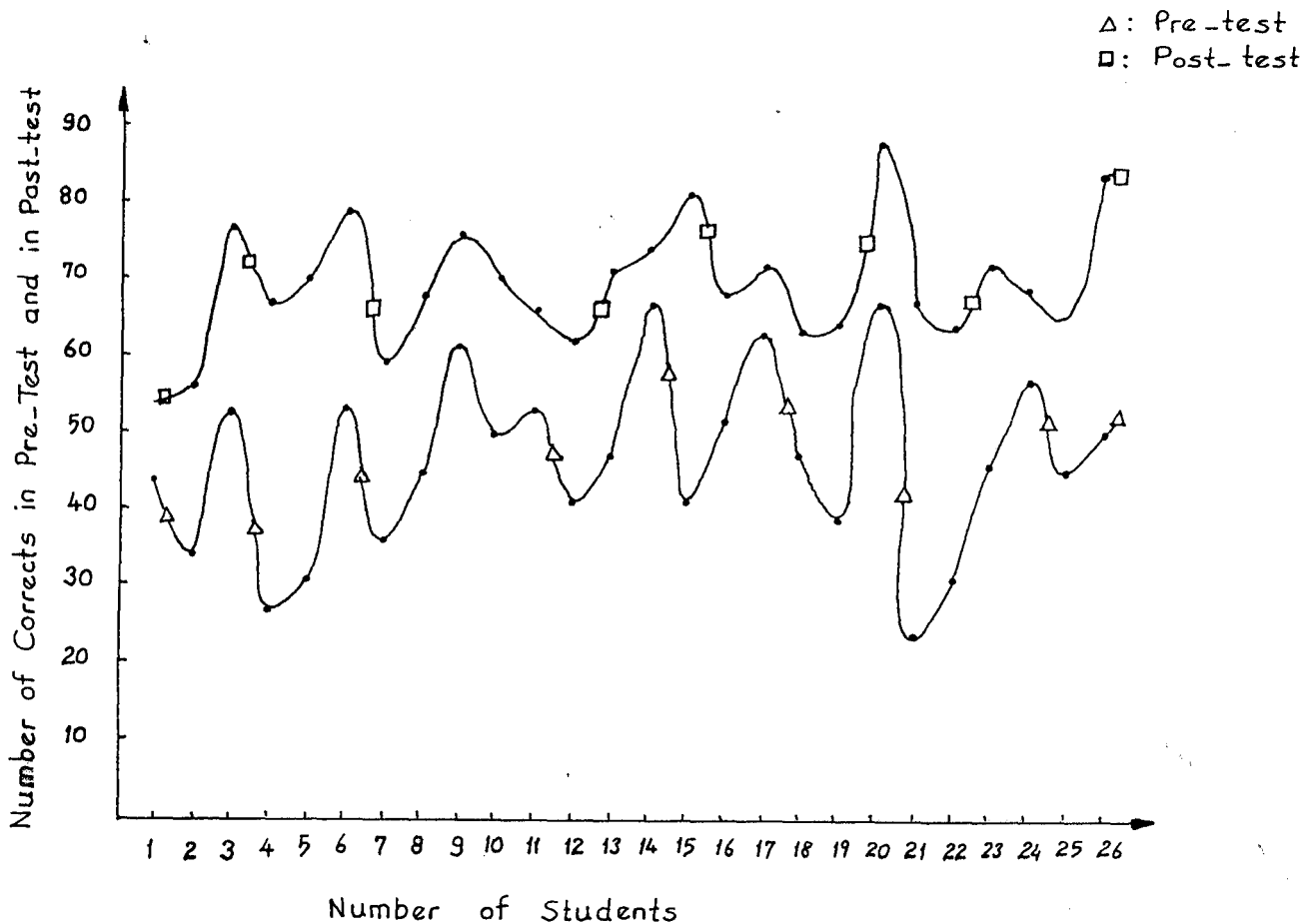
In the pre-test and the post-test the students were asked to write the Turkish equivalents of the underlined words in the given sentences (Appendix I).

The purpose of the tests was to examine whether there was a significant difference between experimental vocabulary instruction and routine vocabulary instruction.

### 5.6. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

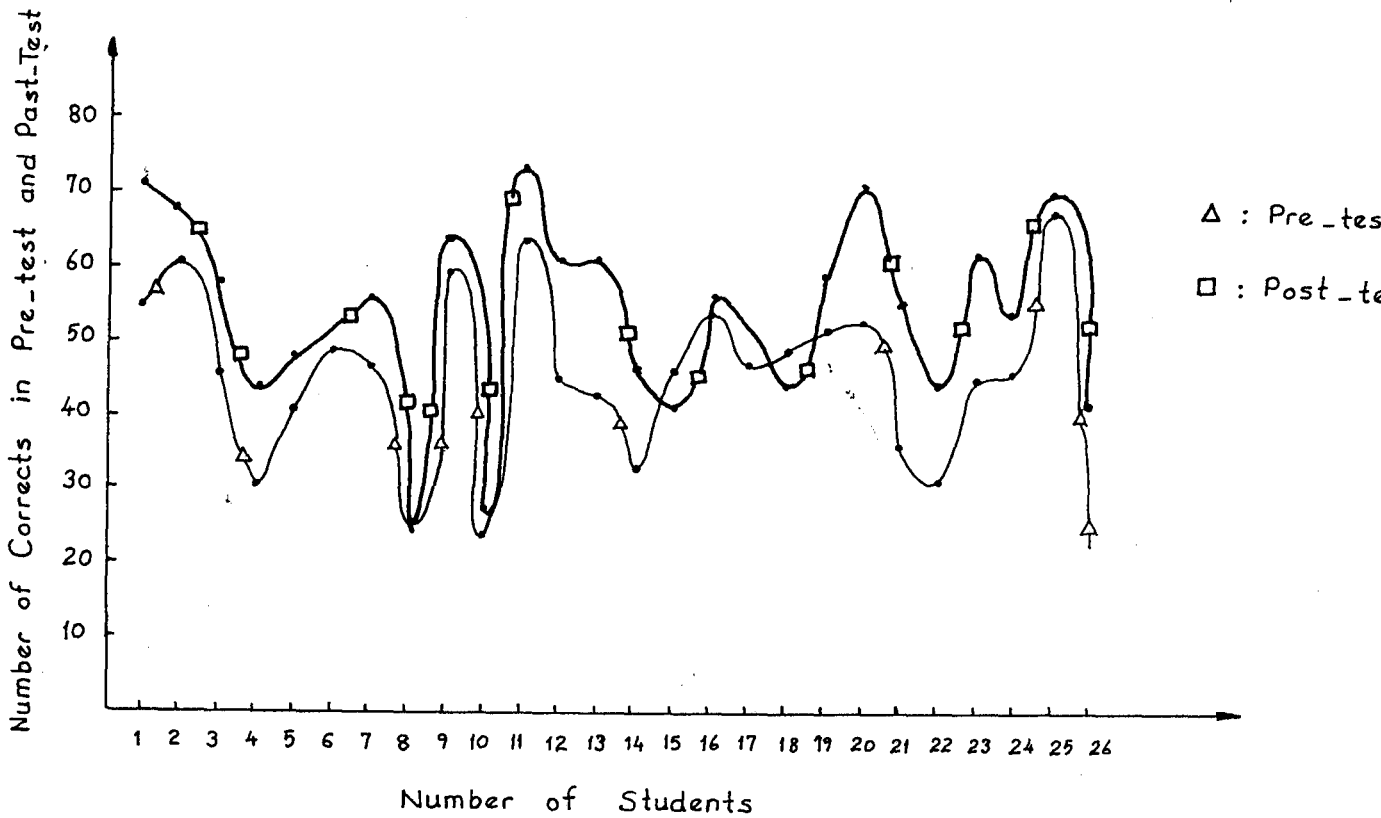
After evaluating the results of the pre-test and the post-test (Appendix II) of the experimental group, the following graph can be drawn to demonstrate that the post-test scores are completely higher than the pre-test scores.

Figure 5.1. The pre-test and the post-test scores of the experimental group students.



It is clear that the students of the experimental group improved their vocabulary through experimental techniques in the period of 12 weeks.

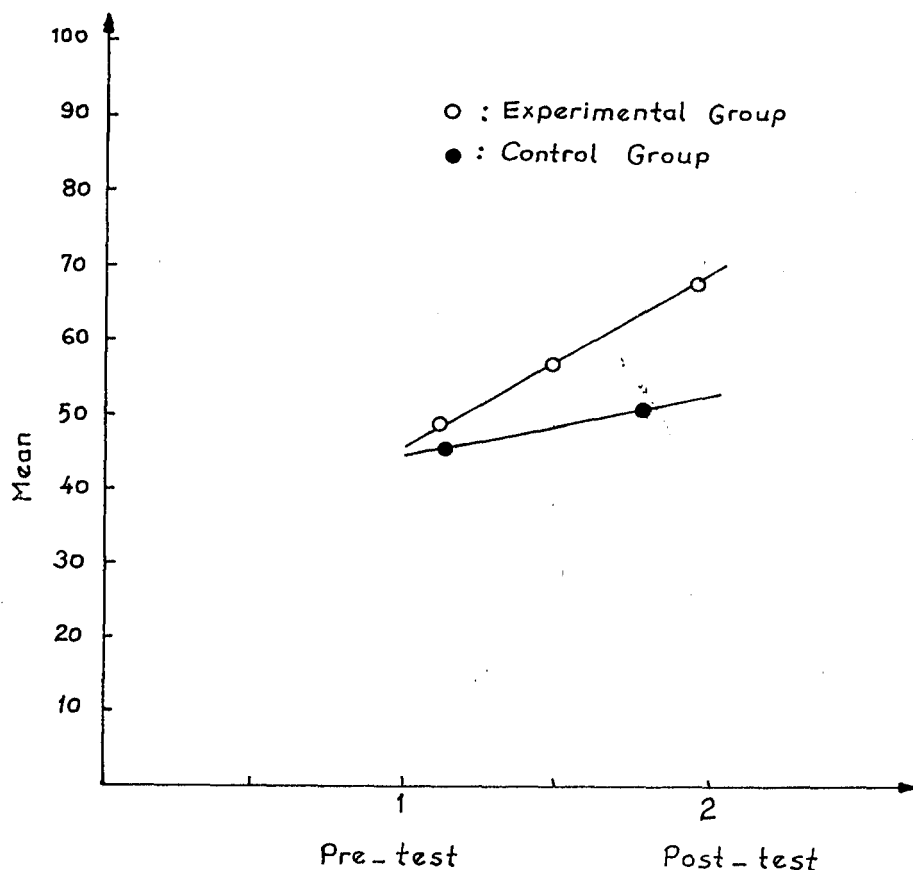
Figure 5.2. The pre-test and the post-test scores of the control group students.



As showed in Figure 5.2., the students in the control group also shows an improvement. However 3 students had the same scores and 2 students had lower scores in the post-test.



Figure 5.3. Mean Distribution of the pre-test and the post-test for the experimental and the control group.



As indicated in Figure 5.3., although pre-test results indicate that there is no significant difference between the means of the experimental group and the control group, the mean scores of the post-test indicate that there is a significant difference between the experimental group and the control group. In other words, the experimental group scored significantly higher than the control group. Table 5.1. shows this significant difference in detail:

Table 5.1. Mean and Standart Deviation of pre-test and the post-test between the experimental and the control group.

GROUPS	T E S T S			
	POST-TEST		PRE-TEST	
	Mean	Standart Deviation	Mean	Standart Deviation
GROUP I EXPERIMENTAL GROUP	69.50	7.95	46.26	11.47
GROUP II CONTROL GROUP	53.77	12.59	45.15	11.88

Using the scores from the pre-test and the post-test, t-test reveals that although there is a significant difference between the pre and post test results of the control group, the t-test results of the experimental group shows significantly a much higher improvement. Table 5.2. shows this significant difference in detail:

Table 5.2. t-Test Results of the experimental and the control group.

GROUPS	Total Subject Number	Freedom Degree	The level of Significance	T- test Table Score	T- test Score
GROUP I EXPERIMENTAL GROUP	26	50	0.005	2.68	26.89
GROUP II CONTROL GROUP	26	50	0.005	2.68	8.88

## CHAPTER VI

### DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

#### 6.1. DISCUSSION

In foreign language teaching, although grammar, pronunciation, reading and writing aroused more interest, teaching and learning vocabulary was emphasized less. In Grammar-translation, Audio-Lingual and Cognitive-Code methods the students had to memorize long lists of vocabulary items but that is the fact that scholars have recently been taking a new interest in the study of teaching and learning of vocabulary. A survey of literature (Chapter 2) indicates that there is a general agreement among researchers about giving proper consideration to vocabulary teaching from the beginning.

This thesis maintains the idea that vocabulary should be taught systematically at the early stage of language learning. For that reason, by selecting two different strategies of vocabulary teaching and two different groups of students, an attempt was made to understand whether the students profited or not.

The results demonstrate that the students who were taught by experimental technique of vocabulary instruction made a significant improvement as opposed to the students who were taught through the routine vocabulary instruction (See 5.1.).

This project demonstrates that vocabulary teaching involves careful planning and preparation on the part of the teacher. The first task of the teacher is to make a distinction between the vocabulary items to be taught for productive use and those for receptive recognition (See 4.2.). Words for productive use should be presented in context and exercises (Appendix III) should be provided both for practice and for reinforcement.

In addition to reinforcement exercises and activities, vocabulary games (Appendix IV) should be incorporated into the lesson plan. If the words are intended to be taught for receptive recognition, the role of teacher should change from dominating the class to guiding the the students to use vocabulary cards and to read suggested texts extensively (Appendix V).

Necessary emphasis and attention should be given to vocabulary teaching by the teachers of the English Department of the Faculty of Engineering and vocabulary teaching should have a specific place in their general syllabus. There should be materials and classtime should be alloted vocabulary teaching.

## 6.2. SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER STUDIES

From the point of the students' English level, the experimental techniques were carried out with the students who have little english and who needed a fresh start. A future research can be designed for the students who have different levels of English, or ever these techniques can be experimented with advanced level students. It is also possible to concentrate these techniques in special vocabulary areas, i.e, jargon, ESP-English for Specific Purpose.

As explained in 5.5.2., the duration of this research was 12 weeks. The same study can be done for a longer period of time in order to test the difference the time element can make.

Learning the meanings of lexical items causes problems. In the light of this fact, the source of the problems might be examined and new systematized techniques of teaching vocabulary can be developed in order to eliminate the problems.

There are some vocabulary items that students can easily learn. For example, true-cognates. A future research can be carried out by contrasting and categorizing the words of the native and the target language to enlighten the question "why are some words easier or more difficult than others to learn?".

One of the biggest problems in this area is to find a really dependable way of testing vocabulary. That is, A future research can be designed to improve vocabulary tests that are available to find out how much vocabulary the students have actually learned.

13. What about a game of golf?  
15
14. Can I have some tape for the packet?  
16
15. Bed and breakfast for two is £ 16.50.  
17 18
16. Many people visit foreign countries for holidays.  
19 20
17. There is another couple called Morris in the hotel.  
21
18. You can forget to lock the door.  
22 23
19. Stan Laurel died in Santa Monica  
24
20. Hardy's father was a lawyer.  
25
21. The staff were rude.  
26
22. It's a cheap way of having a holiday in America.  
27
23. Can I have details of your education?  
28
24. I thought it was very disappointing.  
29
25. The most frightening thing that ever happened to me is  
30  
being in a car accident.  
31
26. I would like to change this blouse please.  
32 33
27. Everyday Sam takes a bath and uses his hair-dryer  
34 35
28. Some animals was funny and pleasant in the zoo.  
36 37
29. Where is the church?  
38
30. We didn't have dinner here last night.  
39
31. They grow potatoes.  
40
32. Where do you want to go for your summer holiday?  
41
33. My eyes are the same color as my father's.  
42

34. I want to be a successful song-writer.  
43 44
35. He plays the guitar.  
45
36. I'll give Jill your message.  
46
37. You can forget to turn off the iron.  
47
38. Could you sign the register please.  
48 49
39. There was no hot water.  
50
40. What did she decide to do then?  
51
41. Who is your favourite singer?  
52 53
42. I always stay at home after 9.00 p.m.  
54
43. I would like to try on the dark blue boots in the window,  
55 56 57  
please.
44. If you have nothing to declare, which channel do you  
58 59  
go through?
45. I like reading biographies.  
60
46. Try to listen to a programme in English on your radio tonight.  
61
47. You forgot to reserve a table.  
62
48. Anna Karenina by Leo Tolstoy is a drama.  
63
49. Many thanks for the invitation to the wedding.  
64 65
50. Translate them into English for the benefit of a tourist.  
66 67 68
51. Do foreign visitors cause any problems?  
69 70
52. Mary wiped her nose with a clean handkerchief.  
71 72 73

53. The flowers are in a vase.  
74 75

54. Bees make honey.  
76 77

55. I'm sorry, I can't. I've promised to meet a friend.  
78 79

56. I've arranged to go to Paris this weekend.  
80 81

57. She saw an advertisement for an English teacher in the paper.  
82

58. Tourism has also created many problems. For example, it has  
83  
destroyed the traditional way of life in many remote areas,  
84 85 86 87 88  
and huge concrete hotels and tourist facilities have ruined  
89 90 91  
many miles of beautiful coastline.  
91 92

59. Ali: What kind of films do you like?  
Ayşe : Westerns and comedies.  
94 95

60. For the Operator, dial 100.  
96

61. Which hotel did they stay?  
97

62. I'm a scientist. I'm going to give some lectures.  
98 99

63. I hope we have a good flight.  
100



APPENDIX II

THE RESULTS OF PRE AND POST TESTS

EXPERIMENTAL GROUP (GROUP I)

	PRE-TEST	POST-TEST
I.	44	54
2.	34	56
3.	53	77
4.	27	67
5.	31	70
6.	53	79
7.	36	59
8.	45	68
9.	61	76
10.	50	70
11.	53	66
12.	41	62
13.	47	71
14.	67	74
15.	41	81
16.	52	68
17.	63	72
18.	47	63
19.	39	64
20.	67	88
21.	23	67
22.	31	64
23.	46	72
24.	57	69
25.	45	66
26.	50	84

## CONTROL GROUP (GROUP II)

	PRE-TEST	POST-TEST
I.	55	72
2.	61	69
3.	46	58
4.	31	44
5.	41	48
6.	49	49
7.	47	56
8.	25	25
9.	60	64
10.	24	27
11.	64	73
12.	45	61
13.	43	61
14.	33	46
15.	46	41
16.	54	56
17.	47	47
18.	49	44
19.	52	59
20.	53	71
21.	36	55
22.	31	44
23.	45	62
24.	46	54
25.	68	70
26.	23	42

APPENDIX III

REINFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES AND EXERCISES  
FOR PRODUCTIVE VOCABULARY

EXERCISE:1

Rewrite each of the following groups of scrambled letters, to make a real word.

trapcrene

(\_\_\_\_\_)

mreafr

(\_\_\_\_\_)

reirvd

(\_\_\_\_\_)

ehtcrub

(\_\_\_\_\_)

santmop

(\_\_\_\_\_)

ritola

(\_\_\_\_\_)

radihresre

(\_\_\_\_\_)

freicfo

(\_\_\_\_\_)

thirffegrie

(\_\_\_\_\_)

stdined

(\_\_\_\_\_)

ssimasbeunn

(\_\_\_\_\_)

geenreni

(\_\_\_\_\_)

fiowhusee

(\_\_\_\_\_)

yesetrcar

(\_\_\_\_\_)

eursn

(\_\_\_\_\_)

ceaploinm

(\_\_\_\_\_)

hreetac

(\_\_\_\_\_)

crootd

(\_\_\_\_\_)

## EXERCISE:2

Unscramble each of the following groups of letters,  
to make a real word.

COLORS

clbak : \_\_\_\_\_

erd : \_\_\_\_\_

lube : \_\_\_\_\_

energ : \_\_\_\_\_

wolely : \_\_\_\_\_

theiw : \_\_\_\_\_

grance : \_\_\_\_\_

ant : \_\_\_\_\_

yreg : \_\_\_\_\_

wrbon : \_\_\_\_\_

plerpu : \_\_\_\_\_

evolti : \_\_\_\_\_

CLOTHES

ehoss : \_\_\_\_\_

triks : \_\_\_\_\_

napt : \_\_\_\_\_

kcsos : \_\_\_\_\_

trish : \_\_\_\_\_

sloveg : \_\_\_\_\_

ite : \_\_\_\_\_

obseul : \_\_\_\_\_

sders : \_\_\_\_\_

taco : \_\_\_\_\_

(Bouchard 1980 : 10)

## EXERCISE: 3

Choose the related jobs and working places using the words given Figure -A-.

<u>Jobs</u>	<u>Working places</u>
Ex: teacher	<u>school</u>
worker	_____
_____	hospital
barman	_____
_____	farm
fireman	_____
_____	hotel
pharmacist	_____
_____	post office
_____	restaurant
lawyer	_____

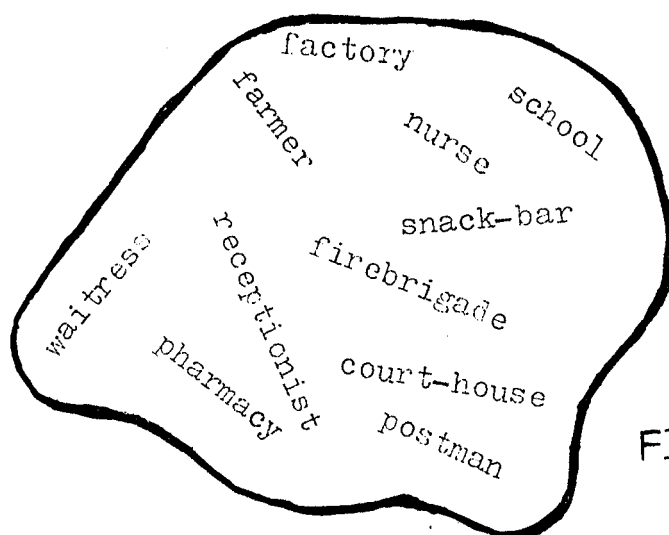


FIG: A

## EXERCISE : 4

Fill in the blanks related with, jobs - what they do, - where they work, of the chart using the items given in FIG-B-

JOBS	WHAT THEY DO	WHERE THEY WORK
Ex: Policeman	Keeps the public order	In the police station
Secretary		In an office
Painter	Paints pictures	
	Catches fish	In the sea, river, lake
Singer		In the casino
Driver	Drives vehicles	
	Practises law	In the court-house
Baker	Sells bread	
Postman		
	Cures Patients	

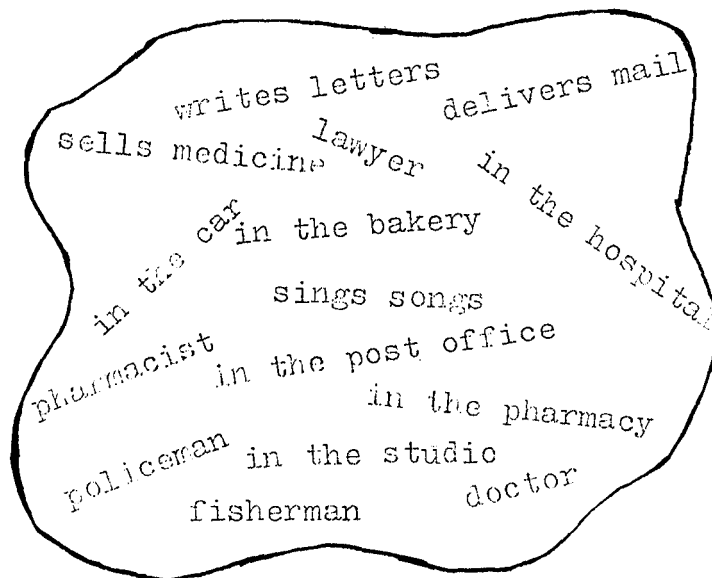
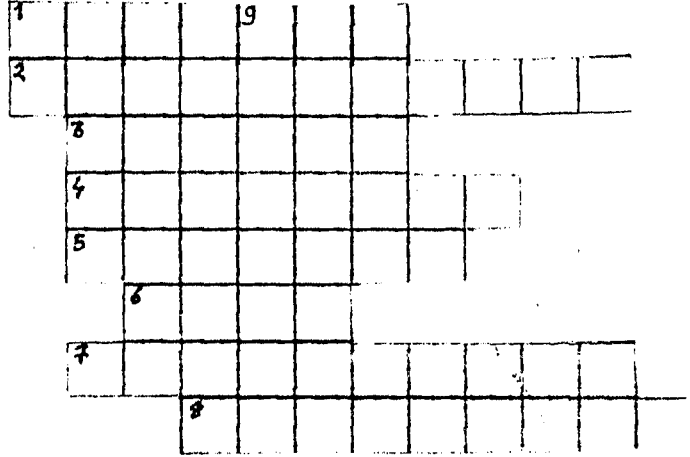


FIG-B

## EXERCISE : 5

Complete the puzzle.



1. Dr. Barnard is a famous \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Vehbi Koç " " " \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Zeki Müren " " " \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Suna Kan " " " \_\_\_\_\_.
5. İbrahim Çallı " " \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Orhan Veli Kanık " \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Jacques Cousteau " \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Mimar Sinan " " \_\_\_\_\_.
9. - - - - -

## EXERCISE : 6

Fill in the blanks putting the months in an order.

- |           |                    |                     |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. _____  | 2. <u>February</u> | 3. _____            |
| 4. _____  | 5. _____           | 6. <u>June</u>      |
| 7. _____  | 8. _____           | 9. _____            |
| 10. _____ | 11. _____          | 12. <u>December</u> |

## EXERCISE : 7

Fill in the blanks putting the days in an order.

- |                  |                    |          |
|------------------|--------------------|----------|
| 1. <u>Sunday</u> | 2. _____           | 3. _____ |
| 4. _____         | 5. <u>Thursday</u> | 6. _____ |
| 7. _____         |                    |          |

## EXERCISE : 8

Which one is different in the group ?

1. Sunday, July, Monday, Tuesday
2. September, October, November, Month
3. Morning, Midday, Noon, Friday
4. Autumn, Fall, Winter, March
5. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Birthday



## EXERCISE: 9

Match the words in Column 'A' to the words in Column 'B'.

<u>Column 'A'</u>	<u>Column 'B'</u>
( ) Sunday	1. The first month
( ) April	2. The eleventh month
( ) November	3. The first day
( ) Wednesday	4. The seventh month
( ) January	5. The third day
( ) Thursday	6. The fifth day
( ) July	7. The tenth month
( ) Tuesday	8. The fourth month
( ) September	9. The fourth day
( ) October	10. The ninth month

## EXERCISE: 10

Write down the months of each season.

Spring : a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) MAY

Summer : a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) \_\_\_\_\_

Autumn : a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) \_\_\_\_\_

Winter : a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) \_\_\_\_\_

## EXERCISE:11

The following words are related to each other. Try to find out the missing words related to given ones.

Example: Summer : Sun / Winter : \_\_\_\_\_ ?

a. Clear    **b. Snow**    c. Spring    d. Noel

1. Thursday : Day / April : \_\_\_\_\_

a. Tomorrow    b. Day    c. Season    d. Month

2. March : Spring / October : \_\_\_\_\_

a. Season    b. Winter    c. Fall    d. The tenth month

3. Dark : Night / Light : \_\_\_\_\_

a. Clear    b. Midnight    c. Morning    d. White

4. Autumn : Fall / Midday : \_\_\_\_\_

a. Morning    b. Noon    c. Evening    d. Night

5. Week : Seven days / Month : \_\_\_\_\_

a. Twenty days

b. Thirty or thirtyone days

c. Fourty or fourtyone days

d. Twentyfive or thirty days

X

## EXERCISE: 12

Choosing the words in FIG.-C- fill in the blanks of the chart according to their letters and related groups.

	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Musical Instruments	H	A	E	P												
Vehicles										R	O	C	K	E	T	
Communication					R	A	D	I	O							

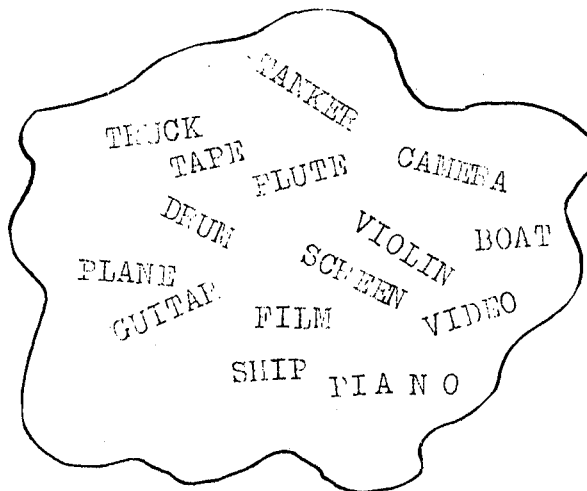


FIG. C

## EXERCISE 13.

Match the following adjectives with the nouns that they usually go with.

Adjective	Noun
1. purple	A. rose
2. red	B. work
3. horror	C. weather
4. hard	D. violet
5. industrial	E. flat
6. luxury	F. film
7. sunny	G. city
8. generous	H. student
9. heavy	I. man
10. naughty	J. suitcase

## EXERCISE 14.

List the words below under the appropriate headword.

FAMILY   ENVIRONMENT   EDUCATION   HEALTH   FOOD

doctor - grain - son - survive - child - hospital  
 plant - mother - agriculture - water - disease  
 husband - school - air pollution.

( Watkins 1983:5 )

## EXERCISE 15

## WORD AFFINITIES

From the list below, select the correct word which completes each phrase.

wagon	run	ink	pepper
cat	oil	father	tie
sugar	shield	dark	night
butter	key	ball	warmer
pencil	hat	lot	stockings
lightning			

1. bread and butter-----
2. salt and -----
3. pen and -----
4. paper and -----
5. day and -----
6. light and -----
7. fair and -----
8. thunder and -----
9. cup and -----
10. bow and -----
11. horse and -----
12. house and -----
13. coat and -----
14. collar and -----
15. shoes and -----
16. bat and -----
17. hit and -----
18. mother and -----
19. dog and -----
20. hammer and -----
21. gas and -----
22. sword and -----
23. army and -----
24. lock and -----
25. cream and -----

## EXERCISE : 16

Try to unscramble them and make real words.

MALE

oby : \_\_\_\_\_

ergrnadafth : \_\_\_\_\_

dnuashb : \_\_\_\_\_

nso : \_\_\_\_\_

htrrueb : \_\_\_\_\_

wnphee : \_\_\_\_\_

hfeart : \_\_\_\_\_

cueln : \_\_\_\_\_

FEMALE

ligr : \_\_\_\_\_

tgdrroanehm : \_\_\_\_\_

tuan : \_\_\_\_\_

efwi : \_\_\_\_\_

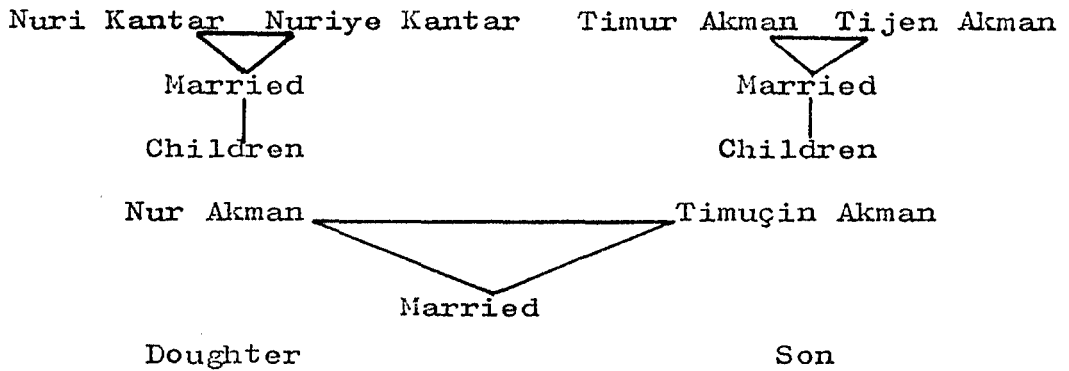
odurhtge : \_\_\_\_\_

ssteir : \_\_\_\_\_

eecin : \_\_\_\_\_

rmeoht : \_\_\_\_\_

## EXERCISE 17.



Complete the followings.

Example : Timuçin is Timur's S o n .

- 1- Tijen is Timur's \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 2- Nuri is Nuriye's \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 3- Nuri is Timuçin's \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 4- Nur is Nuri and Nuriye's \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 5- Nur is Timur and Tijen's \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 6- Timuçin is Nuri and Nuriye's \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 7- Timur is Timuçin's \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 8- Nuriye is Nur's \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .
- 9- Tijen is Nur's \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .

## EXERCISE: 18

## AREA OF REFERENCE

Match the following words with the area of reference in which they are most commonly used.

Word	Area of reference
1. partner	A. war
2. colleague	B. friendship
3. ally	C. business, firm
4. accomplice	D. profession
5. comrade	E. crime

(Wallace 1982:73)

## EXERCISE: 19

According to the exercise above, the following exercises were given to the students in the experimental group.

Word	Area of reference
1. lawyer	A. organs of face
2. journey	B. crime
3. carnival	C. attitude
4. shoplift	D. food
5. eyelash	E. occupation



- 6.happy  
7.lorry  
8.golf  
9.bacon  
10.disgusting

- F.transport  
G.sport  
H.travelling  
I.feeling  
J.entertainment

## EXERCISE: 20

## ADD-A-LETTER

Make a new word by adding one new letter to the beginning or end of the following words.

ever every  
at sat  
dump \_\_\_\_\_  
rank \_\_\_\_\_  
own \_\_\_\_\_  
raft \_\_\_\_\_  
lump \_\_\_\_\_  
mall \_\_\_\_\_  
elation \_\_\_\_\_  
eel \_\_\_\_\_  
each \_\_\_\_\_  
man \_\_\_\_\_  
lead \_\_\_\_\_  
leave \_\_\_\_\_  
race \_\_\_\_\_  
tin \_\_\_\_\_  
the \_\_\_\_\_  
thin \_\_\_\_\_  
ill \_\_\_\_\_  
sea \_\_\_\_\_  
ore \_\_\_\_\_  
mat \_\_\_\_\_  
earn \_\_\_\_\_

heave \_\_\_\_\_  
east \_\_\_\_\_  
her \_\_\_\_\_  
am \_\_\_\_\_  
enter \_\_\_\_\_  
ash \_\_\_\_\_  
hair \_\_\_\_\_  
cap \_\_\_\_\_  
car \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_  
ate \_\_\_\_\_  
lung \_\_\_\_\_  
oil \_\_\_\_\_  
harm \_\_\_\_\_  
rob \_\_\_\_\_  
trap \_\_\_\_\_  
stun \_\_\_\_\_  
lake \_\_\_\_\_  
wine \_\_\_\_\_  
upper \_\_\_\_\_  
print \_\_\_\_\_  
eight \_\_\_\_\_  
lass \_\_\_\_\_

## EXERCISE : 21

From the lists of words select pairs that have a natural association.

sea	soldier
bakery	ship
pen	bread
war	ink
desk	fire
heat	feet
traffic	mouth
speech	office
sandals	street

(Rivers and Temperley 1978:257)

## EXERCISE:22

Write as many words as you can think of which have a natural association with 'tree'.

(TREE - grass - lawn - garden - flower - trunk -  
branches - leaves - nest - fruit)

(Rivers and Temperly 1978:257)

X


## EXERCISE : 23

Match words with similar meanings.

- |            |            |
|------------|------------|
| 1. like    | A. unhappy |
| 2. close   | B. reply   |
| 3. answer  | C. trip    |
| 4. sick    | D. right   |
| 5. tidy    | E. enjoy   |
| 6. sad     | F. ill     |
| 7. correct | G. shut    |
| 8. hate    | H. opinion |
| 9. idea    | I. dislike |
| 10. tour   | J. neat    |

## EXERCISE : 24

Match words with opposite meanings.

- |          |              |
|----------|--------------|
| 1. thin  | A. small     |
| 2. early | B. far       |
| 3. cheap | C. difficult |
| 4. hate  | D. late      |
| 5. large | E. right     |
| 6. easy  | F. thick     |
| 7. near  | G. close     |
| 8. short | H. love      |
| 9. wrong | I. long      |
| 10. open | J. expensive |
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## EXERCISE: 25

Which one is different in the group?

1. Brazil-Japan-China-Acapulco
2. north-east-coast-west
3. industrial-centre-large-central
4. mother-wife-daughter-woman
5. small-town-village-city
6. interesting-heavy-high-wide
7. metal-radio-glass-plastic
8. horror films-westerns-comedies-documentaries-  
film star
9. drink-coffee-cheese-cucumber-chicken
10. pop-opera-jazz-folk music-theater
11. play-chess-watch-paint-travel
12. eyes-head-ears-mouth-knee
13. surprised-tired-worried-old-ill
14. toothache-backache-cough-earache-chest
15. like-love-hate-swimming-want

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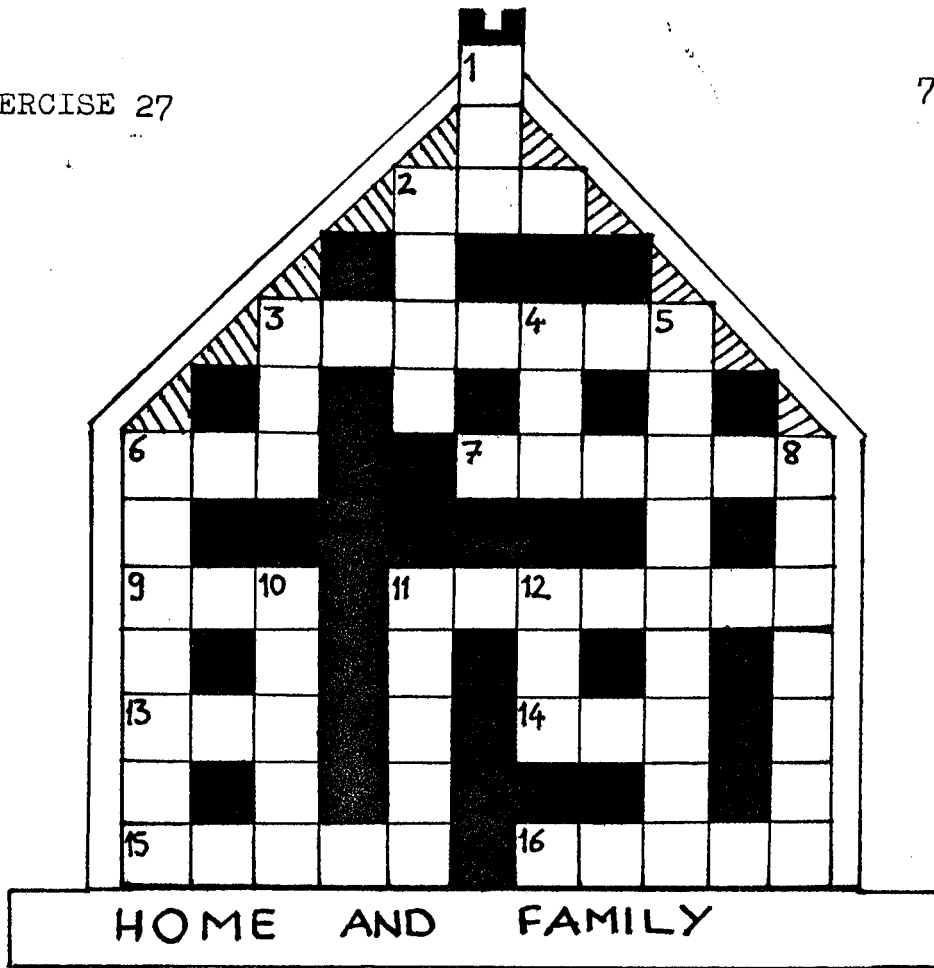
## EXERCISE 26

## PHRASE COMPLETION

Try to complete the following phrases by adding the correct word that is opposite in meaning.

1. stop and go-----
2. arms and -----
3. last and -----
4. thunder and -----
5. boys and -----
6. north and -----
7. black and -----
8. brothers and -----
9. supply and -----
10. hit and -----
11. friend or -----
12. win or -----
13. heaven or -----
14. rain or -----
15. trick or -----
16. double or -----
17. truth or -----

(Bouchard 1980:10)



DOWN

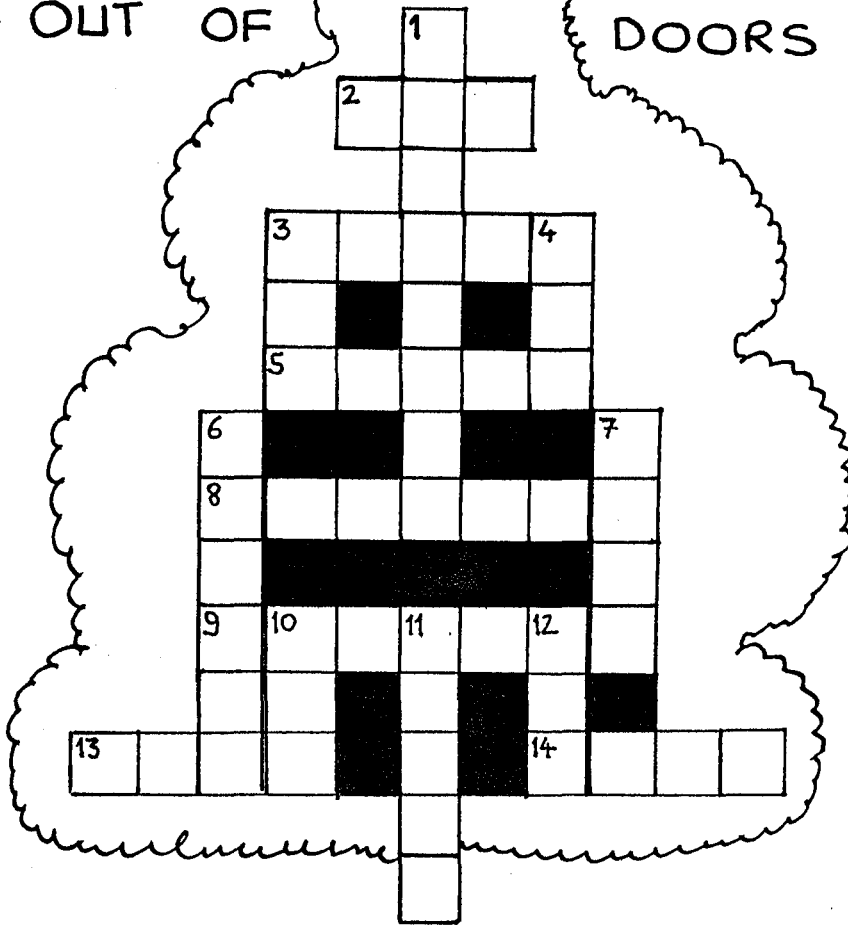
1. We put water in the fridge to make it into -----
2. You wash yourself all over in it
3. Open the door with it
4. To make tea, you need --- water
5. Someone next door
6. You can pull them out and keep clothes in them ; they are parts of a cupboard
8. Boys in the same family are brothers, and girls are .....
10. Turn it on and listen
11. Opposite to dirty
12. When you go .... you are not at home

ACROSS

2. You sleep in it
3. The room where you cook
6. Use a towel to ---- yourself when you are wet
7. You can go up or down them
9. Open the windows to let in some fresh
11. Wash them and wear them <sup>1</sup>
13. People return home at the ---- of the day
14. How many parents has every got
15. You can eat soup with it
16. They warm houses when it is cold outside

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OUT OF DOORS



ACROSS

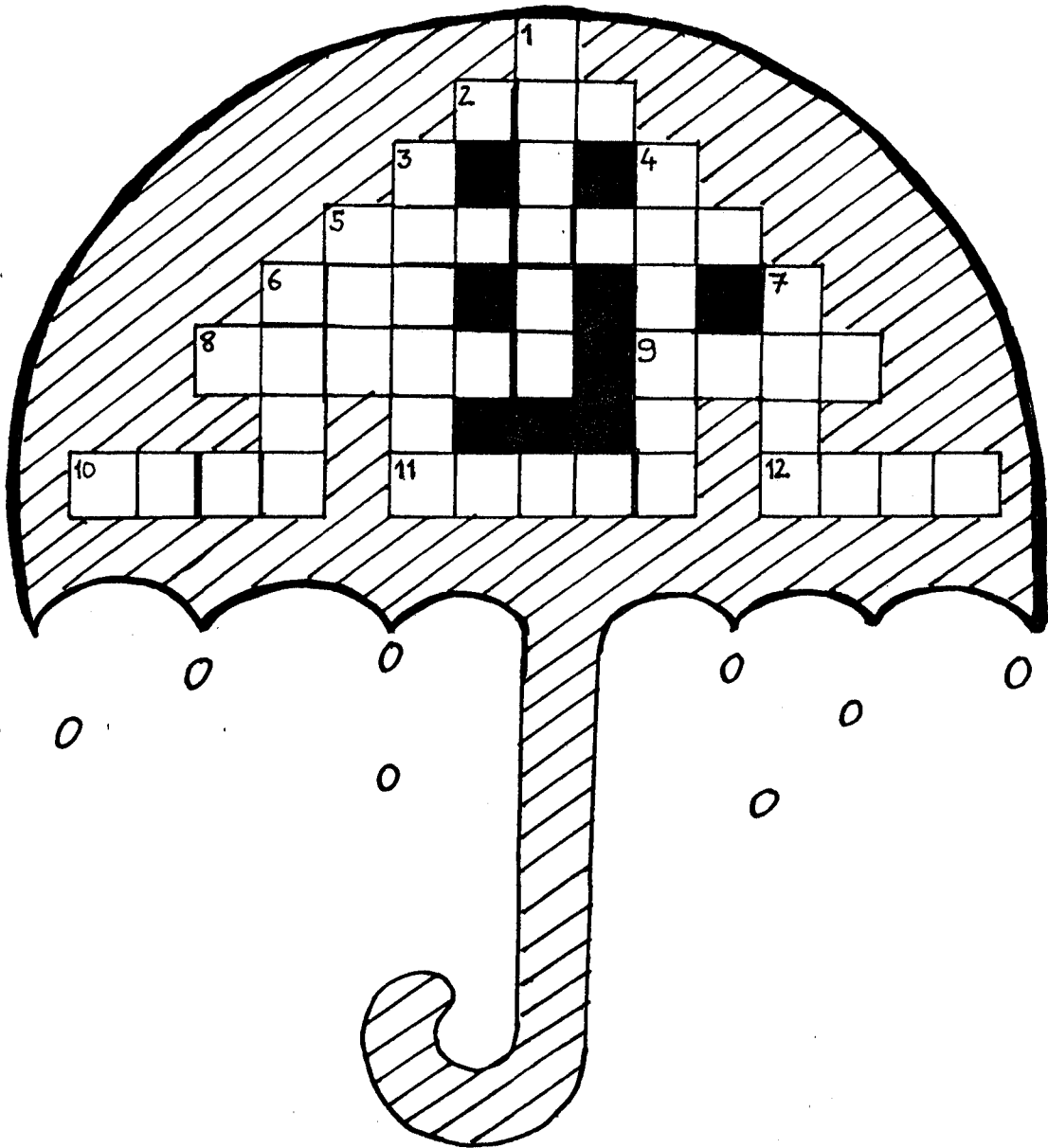
- 2. This animal gives us milk
- 3. They blow the leaves off the trees
- 5. Catch one at the railway station
- 8. You can see the moon at this time of the day
- 9. There are a lot of trees in them
- 13. It flies
- 14. Bridges often go ..... rivers

DOWN

- 1. A very high hill (with snow on the top)
- 3. Not dry
- 4. It is in the sky in the day time
- 6. It grows on a tree
- 7. Birds lay them in the spring
- 10. Young animals become ..... if they live a long time
- 11. We all live on it
- 12. Animals have four legs ; birds have .....

## EXERCISE 29

## THE WEATHER





## EXERCISE 29

DOWN

1. A very hot, dry sandy place
3. In summer, the nights are shorter and the days are ....  
than in winter
4. Times of very bad weather when ships may be in danger
6. On a fine day, the sky is blue, but on a cloudy day  
the sky is .....
7. It blows the clouds across the sky

ACROSS

2. The colour of the sun as it goes down in the evening
5. Places with a lot of trees
8. Opposite of "cloudy". Rhymes with "white "
9. You need your umbrella to keep this off you
10. One of the hottest months in England
11. The sun ..... at down
12. Unless the moon is shining, nights are .....

## EXERCISE: 30

## puzzle

Each letter has the same number in every word so when you know that 2 is (O) for example, you can fill it in all words.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ wrote 'War and PEACE'

	0				0	
1	2	3	4	1	2	5

2. What sort of films does Ben like best?

	0			0						
6	2	7	7	2	8	9	10	11	12	4

1	6	7	10	11	11	13	7	4	

3. What sort of books does Christine like best?

		0								
14	10	2	15	7	16	17	6	10	13	4

	0								0				
7	2	12	16	18	1	10	19	18	2	20	13	11	4

4. Now, what is the message?

	0		
5	2	21	7

1	13	16	19	6	13	7

11	10	22	13	4

											0				
21	13	1	13	19	1	10	20	13	4	1	2	7	10	13	14

## EXERCISE : 31

## COMMANDS

The teacher commands the following :

Raise your right hand.  
Put your right hand on your head.  
Touch your neck with both hands.  
Put your hands on your knees.  
Put your right hand on your left knee.  
Put both hands on your shoulder.  
Bend your knees and touch the floor.  
Touch the floor near your left foot.  
Put both hands on your legs.  
Sit down and put your hands on your knees.

(Allen 1983:26)

Walk to the blackboard.  
Take a piece of chalk.  
Draw a large circle.  
Divide it into two two parts.  
Write the first letter of the alphabet  
below the circle.  
Return to your seat.

(Allen 1983:40)

## EXERCISE : 32

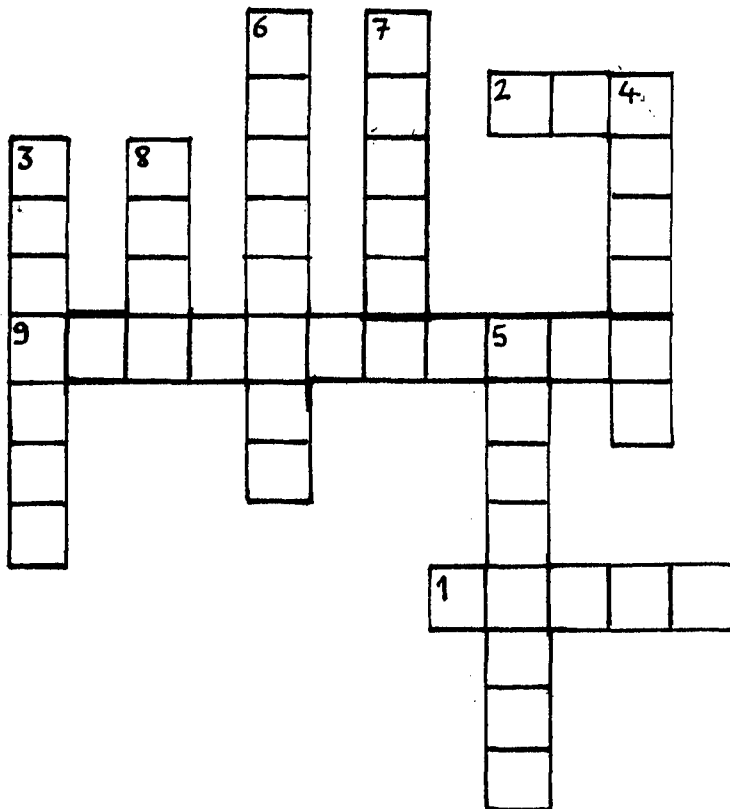
Fill in the crossword with the help of this letter.

Dear Lesley,

You must come and see our new (1) .... soon. It is nice and (2) .... Downstairs there is a sitting room, dinning room, and a lovely (2) .... (3) ....., with a nice new cooker and lots of space to work and a (2) window over the sink so that I can look out into the (4) .... when I am doing the washing up. There are lots of lovely trees and flowers in the (4) .... Upstairs there are four large (5) .... and a (6) .... and (7) ... We have a (7) .. downstairs too. There is central heating, so the house is nice and (8) ... We have some lovely new chairs for the sitting room - they are very (9) .....

Hope you are well. Write soon,

Janet



## EXERCISE: 33

## CHANGE-A-LETTER

Make one new word from each of the following by changing one letter.

bud \_\_\_\_\_  
 bid \_\_\_\_\_  
 blood \_\_\_\_\_  
 brink \_\_\_\_\_  
 craft \_\_\_\_\_  
 crank \_\_\_\_\_  
 chin \_\_\_\_\_  
 creed \_\_\_\_\_  
 deport \_\_\_\_\_  
 detain \_\_\_\_\_  
 droop \_\_\_\_\_  
 dew \_\_\_\_\_  
 fate \_\_\_\_\_  
 folk \_\_\_\_\_  
 fear \_\_\_\_\_  
 fool \_\_\_\_\_  
 gaze \_\_\_\_\_  
 gram \_\_\_\_\_  
 grass \_\_\_\_\_  
 grave \_\_\_\_\_  
 home \_\_\_\_\_  
 howl \_\_\_\_\_  
 humor \_\_\_\_\_  
 hire \_\_\_\_\_

keen \_\_\_\_\_  
 kick \_\_\_\_\_  
 kind \_\_\_\_\_  
 king \_\_\_\_\_  
 luck \_\_\_\_\_  
 leak \_\_\_\_\_  
 lump \_\_\_\_\_  
 lone \_\_\_\_\_  
 mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 manner \_\_\_\_\_  
 mark \_\_\_\_\_  
 move \_\_\_\_\_  
 nasty \_\_\_\_\_  
 name \_\_\_\_\_  
 nerve \_\_\_\_\_  
 now \_\_\_\_\_  
 pave \_\_\_\_\_  
 paste \_\_\_\_\_  
 patron \_\_\_\_\_  
 plank \_\_\_\_\_  
 rang \_\_\_\_\_  
 rash \_\_\_\_\_  
 rapture \_\_\_\_\_  
 resign \_\_\_\_\_

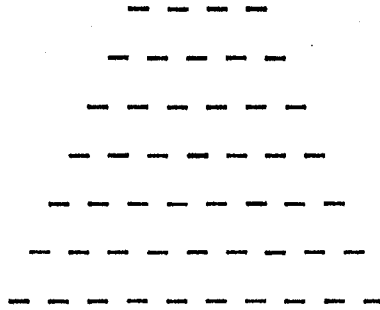
(Bouchard, 1980:9)

## EXERCISE: 34.

## WORD PYRAMID

Build a pyramid of words, using the clues given below. All the words begin with the letter "s".

S O N



Line 1: a 3-letter word meaning "male child".

Line 2: a 4-letter word for "what is found at the beach".

Line 3: a 5-letter word for "opposite of sit".

Line 4: a 6-letter word for "yell, cry".

Line 5: a 7-letter word for "greedy".

Line 6: a 8-letter word for "opposite of crooked".

Line 7: a 9-letter word for "content, happy".

Line 8: a 10-letter word for "a small, sweet, red fruit which grows on a vine".

Build this pyramid with words beginning with "t".

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  t a n
  - - - -
- - - - -
- - - - -
- - - - -
- - - - -
- - - - -
- - - - -
- - - - -

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- Line 1: a 3-letter word for "a color".
- Line 2: a 4-letter word for "opposite of fat".
- Line 3: a 5-letter word for "a means of transportation".
- Line 4: a 6-letter word for "what you use to speak with".
- Line 5: a 7-letter word for "lightning and....."
- Line 6: a 8-letter word for "a geometric figure".
- Line 7: a 9-letter word for "limited, for a short time".
- Line 8: a 10-letter word for "a box for viewing  
moving pictures".

(Bouchard 1980:7)



## EXERCISE 35

## OLD SAYINGS

Below are some old and well-known sayings. Choose the correct word from the list below to complete saying.

bone	ocean	sin	lemon
honey	whistle	eel	coal
fox	bee	velvet	feather
pig	loon	picture	razor
snow	beet	bat	leather
lead	pancake	peacock	lightning
		pin	molasses

- |                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. fat as a _____ pig | 14. soft as _____        |
| 2. light as a _____   | 15. tough as _____       |
| 3. sly as a _____     | 16. deep as the _____    |
| 4. pretty as a _____  | 17. slippery as an _____ |
| 5. black as _____     | 18. quick as _____       |
| 6. sharp as a _____   | 19. ugly as _____        |
| 7. sour as a _____    | 20. flat as a _____      |
| 8. white as _____     | 21. red as a _____       |
| 9. neat as a _____    | 22. crazy as a _____     |
| 10. slow as _____     | 23. blind as a _____     |
| 11. dry as a _____    | 24. clean as a _____     |
| 12. sweet as _____    | 25. busy as a _____      |
| 13. heavy as _____    | 26. proud as a _____     |

(Bouchard, 1980:II)

## APPENDIX IV

### GAMES FOR PRODUCTIVE VOCABULARY

#### GAME:1

##### WORD PLAY

The first student says a word and the next student must give another word beginning with the last letter of the word just given. For example, the first student says gun, the second never, the third river, etc.

Each student must give a word before the count of five. Those who fail are eliminated. The student who stays in the longest wins.

(Bouchard 1980:73)

#### GAME:2

##### LOVE LETTERS

Divide the students in groups of from four to six. Provide each group with a couple of old magazines, writing paper, scissors, and paste or glue.

Each group composes a love letter by clipping out phrases, sentences, and words from the magazines and pasting them on a writing paper. After 30-45 minutes assemble the class and have each group read the letters

(Bouchard 1980:75)

## GAME: 3

## GUGGENHEIM

Provide the players with paper and pencils. Ask each player to draw a rectangle, five squares across and three squares down. Choose a five-letter word (e.g. table) and ask the players to write it across the top, putting one letter above each of the five squares. Then ask them to write the words nouns, verbs, adjectives as shown in the diagram below.

	T	A	B	L	E
NOUNS	TEACHER	ANSWER	BUSINESS	LIMIT	EVENT
VERBS	THINK	ARRIVE	BEGIN	LEAVE	ERASE
ADJECTIVES	TENDER	ANGRY	BUSY	LAZY	EQUAL

**Scoring:** Have the players exchange papers and have different players call out the words they find on the papers they have. A correct word that occurs on only one paper scores 5 points. All other correct words score 1 point.

(Derry 1966:19)

## GAME:4

THE CROSSWORD GAME  
VOCABULARY REVISION

Each player draws a square divided into five squares by five on a piece of paper. (If the group is larger than eight players it is probably better to play in pair teams)

Each player in turn calls out any letter of the alphabet. As each letter is called, all players write it into a square of their choice. The aim is to form as many words as possible of two or more letters reading either across or down. Players continue to call out letters until all the individual squares have been filled in.

The players then total up the points they have scored. The number of points scored is equal to the number of letters in each word they have made. Thus a three-letter word scores 3 points. One-letter words do not count.

(Granger 1980:61)

## GAME:5

## I LOVE MY LOVE

Each student is given a copy of following lines.

I love my love with.....because he(he) is..... .(Adjective)

I will send him (her) to..... .(country or city)

And feed him (her) on..... .(food)

I will give him (her)..... .(an object)

And a bunch of.....to remember me by. (flower)

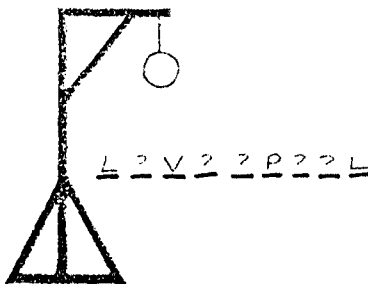
Have each student or groups of students fill in the blanks with words beginning with different letters of the alphabet. The teacher can determine how many letters to have the students practice with.

(Bouchard 1980:73)

## GAME:6

## HANGMAN

This game is played in many countries. One player thinks of a word and writes one dash for each letter. e.g., \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ . The other player tries to guess the letters the word is made up of. If the guess is correct the letter is written in, e.g. \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ . If not, the first player starts to draw a scaffold: one line for each wrong guess. The winner is the one who is the first to complete either the word or the diagram of the hanged man. The winner then thinks of the next word.



(Jupp, Milne, Prowse, Sprenger 1979:  
45)

## GAME:7

CHANGE A LETTER  
VOCABULARY REVISION

Begin by saying play. Explain that the first player has to make a new word out of play by changing one letter. For example, he or she could say plan. The next player then has to make a new word out of plan by again changing one letter, e.g. flan. The game continues with each player in turn trying to make a new word out of the word he or she has been given.

Players are eliminated if they (a) cannot think of a new word; or (b) hesitate too long.

Example round with a group of five players:

Player 1: PLAN

Player 2: FLAN

Player 3: FIAT

Player 4: ... (this player cannot think of a new word and so is eliminated.)

Player 5: (This player starts with a new word.) MAKE

Player 1: TAKE

And so on, with everybody apart from Player 4, still in the game. When a player has been eliminated, the next player starts off with a new word. The last player left in is the winner.

(Granger 1980: 62)

#### GAME:8

#### A CATEGORY GUESSING GAME

From time to time during the school year, there is instructional value in playing a guessing game that requires the use of English words. One such game is conducted as follows:

1. Four students are asked to come to the front of the classroom. One of them is selected to draw a slip from a box which contains words related to many different categories.
2. The student who has drawn the slip shows it to his three companions at the front of the room, but not to other members of the class.
3. The other members of the class try to guess the word on the slip which has been drawn from box. They take turns asking first about the category, "Is it a word for food? For furniture? For transportation?" The students who have seen the slip take turns answering "No, it isn't" until the right category has been guessed.
4. After the correct category has been discovered

(transportation, for instance) members of the class continue to ask Yes/No questions: "Is the word taxi? Is it bus? Is it train?"

5. The one whose guess is correct may draw a slip from the box the next time the game is played.

(Allen 1983:51)

## APPENDIX V

### ACTIVITIES FOR RECEPTIVE VOCABULARY

#### ACTIVITY:1

##### EXTENSIVE READING

Paulston and Bruder (1976:199) define extensive reading as

"the outside reading students do on their own with no help or guidance from the teacher."

Researches believe that extensive reading is the key to building an ediquate receptive vocabulary.

Material for extensive reading should be selected carefully. Anderson (1971) suggests that the difficulty level of the reader can be tested by constructing a cloze test passage from the text and asking the students to fill in the blanks. If they manage to fill about 53 percent of blanks correctly, the text is considered suitable for independent reading.

It was recommended that the students should not look up every word that they do not know but should just underline the word and continue reading and the students were recommended write the words which they look up in the dictionary on vocabulary cards and reviewed periodically.

The following texts were recommended from the book Changing Times, Changing Tenses (Peterson 1980: 25,51,67,96).



- i. Handicapped People Do Useful Work
- ii. It is Difficult to Say Good-Bye
- iii. Rescue Workers Saved Four People
- iv. When the Wall Fell in

## ACTIVITY:2

## VOCABULARY CARDS

Chaplen (1981) recommends the use of vocabulary cards (8cm. x 6cm.) for learning vocabulary. This process can be summarized as follows:

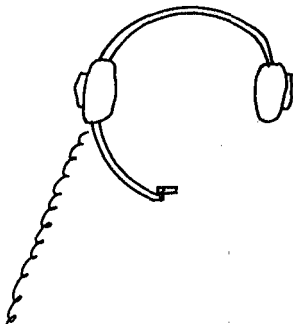
1. The student writes the vocabulary item on one side of the card because the shape of the word can be used a mnemonic device for remembering meaning, it is recommended that the item should not be written in capital letters.
2. The sentence in which the word takes place should be written.
3. The syllables of the word should also appear on the card.
4. On the back of the card, the student should write down the definition of the word with the help of a dictionary. Chaplen (1981) suggest that the translation of the item and/or a picture of it should be put on this side.

Considering that it would be useful, a few vocabulary cards were prepared and recommended the students in the experimental group make the same cards for the words they will encounter at the early beginning of this reseach. One of the cards given as an example as shown below:

## FRONT

word	headphone
sentence	Let me have a go with your headphone
syllable	head-phone

## BACK

an instrument fitted over the ears to receive sounds.	definition
	Translation/picture
I use my headphone to listen to music.	Student's own sentence

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