



Certificate of Achievement

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Practical techniques for assessing language knowledge and skills in the classroom were explored

4 weeks, 3 hours per week



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STUDY REQUIREMENT

4 weeks, 3 hours per week

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Identify the basic principles involved in reliable and valid test design
- Demonstrate an understanding of different types of tests and how they can be used
- Evaluate assessment needs of students within a given context
- Explain some practical techniques for assessing different language skills and knowledge

SYLLABUS

- **Principles of language assessment**
 - Formative and summative assessment
 - Positive washback
 - Assessment and testing
- **Assessing speaking**
 - Formats, tasks and settings
 - Rating scales
- **Assessing writing**
 - Assessment tasks
 - Marking criteria
 - Feedback

- **Assessing reading**
 - Meaningfulness and authenticity
 - Developing reading tests
 - Scoring reading tests
- **Assessing listening**
 - Task types for listening assessment
 - Scoring listening tests
- **Assessing grammar and vocabulary**
 - Principles of testing grammar and vocabulary
- **Test development**
 - Assessment and course planning
 - Approaches to testing
 - The test development cycle
 - Evaluating the effectiveness of a test