THE LISTENING ACTIVITIES

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BEGINNING LEVEL LEARNERS

ACTIVITIES
- Pre-listening warm-up activities
- Listening for specific information/literal comprehension
- Listening for gist/reorganization
- Inferencing
- Listening and making evaluations
- appreciation
PRINCIPLES
- Be aware of the goal of your task
- Use a variety of tasks
- Be aware of the difference between spoken and written language
- Build on success

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL LEARNERS

ACTIVITIES
- Predicting
- Inferencing
- Monitoring
- Clarifyng
- Responding
- Evaluation
PRINCIPLES
- Teach listening strategies
- Balance “listening comprehension for practice” and “listening for acquisition”
- Go a little further

ADVANCED LEVEL LEARNERS

ACTIVITIES
- Condensing
- Extending
- Modelling
- Conversing
- Songs, movies, TV, stories
PRINCIPLES

- Build on what learners already know about listening
- Teach the culture as well as the language
- Help learners understand the structure of longer texts

KEY ISSUES IN TEACHING LISTENING

- Listening as a social activity
  - Tips on teaching learners to listen "socially"
    1. put the students in social situations
    2. teach active listening
    3. teach culturally appropriate listening
    4. since listening has a social dimension, it is useful to remember that different people react differently in social situations.
Use technology in the listening classroom
- video
- the internet
- music
Self-study and learner autonomy
Extensive listening

Five things listening teachers need to remember
1. link classroom tasks to real-life tasks
2. provide a wide range of listening input
3. teach listening strategies
4. encourage learners to practice their listening skills out of class
5. encourage learners to reflect on their learning