

Approaches to teaching

Error Correction

- Reinforce positive before pointing out negatives
- Give alternatives
- Analyse it– show them *how* they went wrong
- Rephrasing
- Needs analysis – ask them how they prefer to be corrected (for older students)
- If there are numerous errors, instead of correcting them all, focus in on one area (ie if you have recently discussed the verb “to be”, focus in on that.)

Helpful Resources

- Internet!!!! See Net resources page.
- Newspapers
- The Guardian website
- Jacari Office – we have hundreds of books, puzzles and games

The 4 skills

- Reading
 - Listening
 - Writing
 - Speaking
- receptive skills*
- productive skills*

Ideally each lesson should encompass each skills

Homework

- This is very situational;
 - Generally speaking, younger children like to be given a bit of homework – it makes them feel that they are progressing.

- With older children, they may already have a lot of school work to do, and so may prefer your help with this rather than the extra responsibility of ESL work.
- In terms of the children's homework from school, it is not for you to DO this, but rather, work *with* the children through any problems they have. Once you have ascertained what they don't understand, ask them about what they *do* know, and go from there.