



USING TYPES OF INFOGRAPHICS IN TEACHING ARABIC

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ABSTRACT

Knowledge of foreign languages is important in the development of relations between the countries of the world. Facilitation and acceleration of foreign language learning requires the development of new methods and their widespread use in everyday practice. Among the new styles, infographics are becoming increasingly important. Because our mind gets used to receiving information in the form of short phrases, graphics, pictures of different colors faster. The study of information in a reduced form is having its effect in all fields, including education, especially in teaching foreign languages. This article provides an overview of the importance of infographics, the use of pictures in the study of the Arabic language.

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What is an Infographic?

The term is derived from the words "informatio" - to explain, to inform and "grafisos" - written form, and is a method of expressing information and knowledge through pictures. Its purpose is to present and convey complex information quickly and clearly. If we look at the history of infographics, it was created during the primitive society. Because at that time, people painted their way of life in caves. Through them, we got an idea of how ancient people lived. Over the years, infographics began to enter various disciplines and fields. Its use has expanded to include geography, journalism, education, statistics, and other fields. Infographics tools initially included graphs, charts, tables, maps, but have evolved over time and are now widely used in the form of pictures and motion pictures (animation).

Infographics allow students to get a lot of information in a short time when learning foreign languages. According to statistics, a student remembers 10% of what he hears, 20% of what he reads, and 80% of what he sees. According to the scientists, the use of different colors in the texts facilitates learning and assimilation of information and increases motivation to learn by 80%. Since a person is able to receive information given in the form of an infographic, he has a complete idea of the content and can analyze it.

Infographics and Foreign Language Learning

There are many possibilities of using infographics in foreign language learning. Creating thematic infographics has several stages. First, the topic is selected, information about it is collected and they are systematized. The choice of colors is also very important when presenting information. If the information is presented correctly in an infographic, the student will understand it at a glance.

For example, in the process of teaching Arabic, if the grammar topic is taught in comparison with the mother tongue, the "Venn" diagram is useful. Because this chart allows you to compare and teach the differences between topics in two or more languages¹. For example:

¹ Z. Aripova "Innovative technologies in the education of Eastern languages". "Scientific Analytical Bulletin". TIU., 2016. 4 issues. 107 p.

R. Matibaeva. Guide for reading parallel texts. MEOW. 2019. Str. 4.



Illustrated Infographic

By using different views of infographics, it becomes easier to explain new words, text, topic to the student. For example, using the following form when explaining the subject of "Precedents" in Arabic will help you remember the auxiliaries quickly and easily. We can see this in the example of an illustrated infographic.

Also, the use of infographics has a great effect in the development of oral speech. Students can be assigned tasks individually or in groups. Based on the given table, the student has the opportunity to explain a grammatical topic, compose a text using a picture, and write an essay. In higher courses, it is appropriate to entrust the preparation of some analytical information through graphs and diagrams related to the specialty to the student. For example, if economics students are given a graph of GDP growth in different countries and the words used to express it, the student can easily express the graph in Arabic.

Infographics are also very important in learning a new text. If a student partially understands the content of a new text by reading its title or first paragraph² 80% of the text can be understood through infographics. The presentation of a picture before the text helps the student to visualize the text and to understand and translate it correctly. For example, an elementary student is given the following picture and asked to describe it. After the student describes the picture, the original text is given. As the student repeats the words and rules covered by creating a text, seeing the differences/similarities between the original text and his/her own text increases his/her confidence and enthusiasm for learning the language.



² Yu. Ismailova "The use of interactive methods in the training of students with professional orientation". "Theoretical and Applied Science". 2019 No. 10 (78). Str. 210.



جلس سامي مع أبيه في قاعة الجلوس، وأمسك الهاتف، وهنأ صديقه رشيدا بالعيد.
من جهته سأل رشيداً صديقه عن شعوره فأخبره أنه يشعر بسعادة وسرور كبيرين.
واستفسر رشيد كذلك عما قام به سامي هذا الصباح من أعمال. فأجابته، أنه رافق أباه إلى المسجد وتبادل التهناني والهدايا مع أصدقائه ثم تناولوا الحلويات.

It is also possible to classify the words expressed in the picture. That is, another form of infographic is created by identifying the series of verbs, nouns, adjectives, and helpers represented in the image.

Infographics in action

The second type of infographic - moving image allows you to get more information, because it uses a sound background along with the image. This type of infographic became especially widespread after the invention of smartphones and is developing day by day. Now you can find applications related to all subjects on mobile phones. In applications, students not only see a moving image, but also hear a voice explaining it. A moving text helps the student develop both reading and listening skills at the same time.

Along with presenting new information, infographics are effectively used to check the level of its assimilation. With the help of thematic mobile applications, students can strengthen their knowledge through questions along with vocabulary acquisition. For example, through the following application, new words can be mastered and memorized through exercises.



Infographics help develop students' intellectual thinking, and help the younger generation, who prefer graphics over structured texts, understand and apply complex learning materials.



It also facilitates the work of the teacher in the process of working with the group.

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