



EDU305

Final-Term

ABSTRACT

This comprehensive collection of notes is accurately crafted to empower students to excel academically, ensuring they achieve a minimum of 80% marks in their examinations. The content is organized with clarity and precision, focusing on key concepts, critical analyses, and practical applications tailored to the syllabus. These notes serve as a reliable resource for both thorough preparation and last-minute revision. Designed to inspire confidence and mastery, this guide is an essential tool for students striving for academic excellence.

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Short Questions

1. How can a teacher involve parents in classroom activities?

A teacher can involve parents through **parent-teacher conferences, home visits, parent centers, telecommunication such as email, participatory decision-making, home-learning activities, parent/adult education programs, and family-school networking.** Parents' interests, skills, and abilities should be identified so they can contribute effectively to school and classroom activities.

2. How can extrinsic motivation be considered an incentive in the classroom?

Extrinsic motivation encourages students through **external rewards**, such as praise, stars, prizes, or other incentives. A teacher can use these rewards to encourage students to show desirable behavior and participate actively in learning. However, extrinsic motivation should support students' intrinsic interest in learning rather than replace it. The handouts emphasize developing both intrinsic and extrinsic interest in the subject.

3. What is faculty professional development? How can training be imparted to teachers?

Faculty professional development means improving teachers' **knowledge, skills, and teaching practices.** Training can be provided through workshops, collaborative learning, demonstrations, coaching, expert support, feedback, reflection, and continuous professional learning. Effective training should be relevant to teachers' needs and should provide opportunities to practice and apply new strategies.

4. What is the code of conduct for teachers as well as students?

A code of conduct provides rules about **appropriate behavior and responsibilities.** Teachers should act as role models, respect students, show care, follow school policies, and maintain discipline. Students should follow rules, respect teachers, act responsibly, care for peers, and demonstrate appropriate behavior. The code should apply to all stakeholders and should be properly documented and reinforced.

5. How can a teacher prevent minor disruption in the classroom?

A teacher can prevent minor disruptions by:

- Establishing clear rules and routines.
- Giving clear instructions.
- Keeping students engaged in meaningful tasks.
- Monitoring student learning continuously.
- Moving around the classroom.
- Giving timely feedback.
- Using praise and positive reinforcement.
- Identifying students' needs and interests.

- Maintaining a positive classroom climate.

6. What is the role of Dictogloss?

Dictogloss is useful when classroom resources are limited. The teacher reads a passage twice, students take notes, and then work with a partner to reconstruct the text. The reconstructed text is written on the board and the class works together to compare and correct it. It improves **listening, writing, communication, collaboration, and knowledge construction.**

7. What are the features of an Effective Behavioural Support System (EBSS)?

An effective behavioral support system:

- Establishes clear expectations for behavior.
- Teaches students appropriate behavior.
- Uses positive reinforcement.
- Prevents problem behavior.
- Monitors student behavior.
- Provides appropriate consequences for misconduct.
- Involves teachers, students, parents, and other stakeholders.
- Provides additional support for students with serious behavioral needs.

8. What are the features of effective preventive bullying?

Effective bullying prevention should:

- Change the culture and climate of the school.
- Make bullying clearly unacceptable.
- Develop a comprehensive strategy for bullies, victims, bystanders, families, and communities.
- Train teachers and other school adults.
- Inform all stakeholders about bullying and its consequences.
- Establish clear school-wide policies and procedures.

9. What is a caring attitude in schools?

A caring attitude means showing **respect, empathy, concern, emotional support, and sincere attention** toward students. Teachers should listen to students' worries, take interest in their lives, build secure relationships, and make students feel safe and valued. Caring relationships create a positive classroom climate and reduce management problems.

10. What are the three processes of rewards?

The three basic processes are:

1. **Identify the desirable behavior** that should be encouraged.

2. **Provide the reward** immediately or appropriately after the desired behavior.
3. **Reinforce and monitor** the behavior so that it continues.

11. What is Nice Teacher Syndrome? Why should teachers avoid it?

Nice Teacher Syndrome refers to a teacher who tries to be **overly friendly or permissive** and avoids enforcing rules or consequences because they want students to like them. Teachers should avoid it because excessive permissiveness can cause students to go out of control, reduce teacher authority, and create classroom management problems. A teacher should be **authoritative but not authoritarian**.

12. How can a school develop a caring attitude?

A school can develop caring attitudes by:

- Creating secure teacher-student relationships.
- Modeling caring behavior.
- Developing a caring school culture.
- Promoting empathy and pro-social behavior.
- Encouraging cooperation rather than unhealthy competition.
- Supporting families.
- Teaching social-emotional skills.
- Including caring values in the curriculum and school activities.

13. Is punishment good or not?

Punishment should **not be the first or main strategy** for classroom management. Positive strategies such as praise, rewards, modeling, and reinforcement should be preferred. If punishment is necessary, it should be appropriate, fair, limited, and related to the behavior. Physical punishment and humiliation should be avoided. The handouts emphasize keeping negative punishment to a minimum.

14. What are three ways to deal with consequences of breaking rules?

Three ways are:

1. **Give a warning** and remind the student of the rule.
2. **Apply a predetermined consequence or contract** consistently.
3. **Use stronger intervention or referral** for repeated or serious violations.

Consequences should be clearly communicated beforehand and applied equally to all students.

15. How can students self-regulate their behavior and play an active role in classroom management?

Students can self-regulate by:

- Understanding and following classroom rules.
- Controlling disruptive behavior.
- Taking responsibility for their actions.
- Following routines and procedures.
- Respecting teachers and peers.
- Cooperating during group activities.
- Monitoring their own behavior.
- Participating in making classroom rules.

Self-control and social skills help students avoid disruptive behaviors and become responsible members of the classroom.

16. Why should a teacher prepare differentiated tasks for students?

A teacher should prepare differentiated tasks because students have **different abilities, interests, learning needs, and levels of understanding**. Differentiated tasks allow each student to participate according to their ability, reduce frustration, increase engagement, and improve learning outcomes.

17. What are the rules for maintaining classroom discipline?

Important rules include:

- Establish rules at the beginning of the school year.
- Make rules with students when possible.
- Clearly communicate rules and consequences.
- Reinforce rules regularly.
- Apply rules consistently and fairly.
- Avoid favoritism.
- Ensure all stakeholders understand the rules.
- Use appropriate consequences for non-compliance.

18. As a teacher, how do you monitor student work?

A teacher monitors student work through:

- Formal assessments such as tests.
- Informal assessment through questions and worksheets.
- Project work.
- Classroom observation.
- Continuous monitoring.
- Student portfolios.
- Recording student progress.
- Providing timely feedback.

19. What is the teacher's role in Laissez-faire?

In a laissez-faire or highly permissive approach, the teacher gives students considerable freedom and may fail to take responsibility for classroom control. However, the handouts consider excessive permissiveness a **negative approach** because students may become disruptive, the teacher may lose authority, and teaching targets may not be achieved. Therefore, teachers should avoid extreme permissiveness and maintain appropriate control.

20. What are the strategies to identify the needs of problem students?

Strategies include:

- Maintaining student profiles.
- Keeping behavior portfolios.
- Keen observation in class.
- Observing interactions with peers.
- Maintaining liaison with parents.
- Working with school counselors.
- Keeping a constant watch.
- Referring students to specialized programs or counselors.
- Coordinating with teachers, caregivers, peers, and administrators.

21. How does a teacher provide effective feedback in the classroom?

A teacher should provide feedback **promptly and continuously**. The teacher should monitor students while they work, identify misunderstandings, encourage questions, and give feedback at the right time. Immediate feedback helps students correct mistakes before they forget the concept.

22. How does a teacher prepare students for different tasks?

The teacher should:

- Explain the task clearly.
- Give concise instructions.
- Check students' understanding.
- Demonstrate the task when necessary.
- Divide complex tasks into manageable steps.
- Assign roles during group work.
- Set reasonable expectations.
- Monitor students during the activity.

23. If a student faces a problem, how should you solve it?

First, the teacher should **listen patiently** and identify the nature of the problem. The teacher should determine whether it is academic, behavioral, emotional, or social. The teacher can

provide support, modify the task, communicate with parents, or involve a counselor when necessary. Serious behavioral or psychological problems should be referred to appropriate professional support.

24. How can a teacher build self-esteem in students?

A teacher can build self-esteem by:

- Praising genuine efforts and achievements.
- Giving students opportunities to succeed.
- Avoiding sarcasm, ridicule, and humiliation.
- Listening to students' concerns.
- Showing respect and care.
- Encouraging participation.
- Giving constructive feedback.
- Assigning meaningful responsibilities.
- Creating a safe and supportive classroom environment.

Long Questions

1. What is the strategy of Group Contingencies to develop a positive classroom environment?

Group contingency is a classroom management strategy in which a **reward or consequence depends on the behavior or performance of an individual student, a selected group, or the whole class**. It can be used to encourage positive behavior and cooperation.

A teacher can use group contingencies by first identifying the desired behavior, such as completing work on time, following classroom rules, cooperating with classmates, or maintaining appropriate behavior. The teacher then clearly explains the expectations and the reward that will follow successful performance.

There are three common forms:

1. **Independent group contingency:** Each student earns a reward based on his or her own behavior.
2. **Dependent group contingency:** The whole group receives a reward based on the performance of one selected student or a few students.
3. **Interdependent group contingency:** The entire group earns a reward only when all members meet the agreed standard.

Group contingencies can create cooperation, shared responsibility, and positive peer influence. However, the teacher should ensure that students do not blame or isolate a student who performs poorly. The system should be fair and should promote a positive classroom climate.

2. How can a teacher teach core values in the classroom?

A teacher can teach core values through both **direct and indirect methods**. Core values should become part of the school culture and hidden curriculum rather than being taught only through lectures.

First, the teacher should **model the values**. If a teacher wants students to show respect, honesty, cooperation, and caring, the teacher must demonstrate these behaviors personally. Students learn significantly from the behavior of teachers and other adults.

Second, values can be integrated into **lesson plans, stories, classroom activities, school assemblies, tutorials, sports, and extracurricular activities**. For example, a story can teach cooperation without directly preaching about it.

Third, teachers should establish clear norms and expectations and reinforce positive behavior consistently. Students should understand which behaviors are expected and why they are important.

Finally, parents, administrators, and other stakeholders should also demonstrate the same values. In this way, core values become part of the school's culture and hidden curriculum.

3. Explain the perception of self and others about the social attractiveness of a teacher.

The social attractiveness of a teacher depends largely on how the teacher **perceives himself/herself and how students perceive the teacher**.

From the teacher's perspective, a socially attractive teacher should have confidence, emotional stability, positive attitudes, good communication skills, and appropriate professional behavior. The teacher should be authoritative without becoming authoritarian. The teacher should also be caring, respectful, approachable, and sensitive to students' needs.

From the students' perspective, a socially attractive teacher is someone who makes them feel **safe, respected, valued, and supported**. Students are more likely to respect a teacher who listens to their worries, takes interest in their lives, encourages participation, and treats everyone fairly.

A teacher's social attractiveness therefore develops through **warm and secure relationships, caring behavior, emotional support, positive role modeling, and good rapport**. When students have a positive perception of their teacher, they are more likely to cooperate and demonstrate appropriate behavior. This contributes to a positive classroom climate and reduces management problems.

Compilation

4. Explain the three steps of a reward plan.

A reward plan can be organized into three major steps:

1. Identify the target behavior

The teacher should first identify the behavior that needs to be encouraged. The behavior should be clear and observable, such as completing homework, participating in class, following rules, or helping peers.

2. Select and provide an appropriate reward

The teacher should select a reward that is meaningful to students. It may include verbal praise, stars, certificates, privileges, or other appropriate incentives. The reward should be provided at the appropriate time after the desired behavior.

3. Reinforce and evaluate the behavior

The teacher should continue reinforcing positive behavior and monitor whether the behavior is improving. The reward plan should be adjusted if it is not producing the desired results.

The purpose of a reward plan is to strengthen desirable behavior and create a positive classroom environment. The handouts identify praise and rewards as important behavior modification strategies.

5. Explain different strategies to maintain discipline in the classroom.

Teachers can use several strategies to maintain classroom discipline:

1. **Establish rules:** Rules should be established at the beginning of the school year.
2. **Involve students:** Students should participate in making classroom rules so they feel ownership.
3. **Explain consequences:** Students should know what will happen if rules are broken.
4. **Establish routines:** Clear routines and procedures make classroom activities smooth.
5. **Use positive reinforcement:** Praise and rewards should be used to encourage desirable behavior.
6. **Monitor students:** Teachers should continuously observe student behavior and learning.
7. **Give timely feedback:** Feedback should be provided promptly to correct problems.
8. **Maintain a positive climate:** Teachers should develop friendly and secure relationships.
9. **Apply rules consistently:** Rules should be applied equally without favoritism.
10. **Use appropriate interventions:** Serious problems should be referred to parents, administrators, or counselors when necessary.

Effective discipline should focus more on **prevention, positive behavior, and consistent management** than on harsh punishment.

6. Explain the elements of Parent-Teacher Partnership.

The major elements of a parent-teacher partnership are:

1. **Needs assessment:** The school should identify parents' interests, skills, and abilities.
2. **Goal statements:** Clear goals should be established according to school and student needs.
3. **Prioritization of activities:** Activities should be selected according to the areas where parents can contribute.
4. **Strategy development:** A clear strategy should be developed for parent involvement.
5. **Implementation plans:** The planned strategies should be implemented systematically.
6. **Evaluation tools:** The partnership should be evaluated through feedback from parents, students, and teachers.

Effective strategies include **home visits, conferences, parent centers, email and other telecommunications, participatory decision-making, adult education programs, home-learning activities, and family-school networking.** Parent involvement helps schools address student behavior and educational needs more effectively.

7. What are the dimensions of classroom organization? Briefly explain.

The important dimensions of classroom organization include:

1. Seating

Students may sit in **rows, pairs, or groups.** The seating arrangement should match the lesson plan and learning activity.

2. Teacher position

The teacher should stand where all students can see and should move around the classroom rather than remaining in one position.

3. Bulletin boards

A moderate number of bulletin boards should be available. They can display student work and make the classroom attractive, but too many may cause distraction.

4. Display of student work

Displaying students' work publicly gives them a sense of pride and encourages motivation.

5. Blackboard

The blackboard should be clearly visible to all students, including those sitting at the back.

6. Student corner

A student corner can provide a place for students to read, draw, or complete additional activities without disturbing others.

Good physical organization supports effective classroom management and learning.

8. How can learning outcomes be increased through positive on-task behavior and skill achievement?

Learning outcomes improve when students remain **actively engaged in meaningful learning tasks**. Positive on-task behavior means students focus on the assigned activity, follow instructions, participate, and use their time productively.

Teachers can increase on-task behavior by:

- Preparing interesting and relevant tasks.
- Connecting activities with students' needs and interests.
- Giving clear instructions.
- Preparing differentiated tasks.
- Establishing routines and procedures.
- Monitoring student work.
- Providing immediate feedback.
- Praising desirable behavior.
- Using pair and group work appropriately.
- Maintaining a positive classroom climate.

Skill achievement increases when students receive opportunities to practice, receive feedback, and correct their mistakes. When students understand the task and experience success, they become more motivated and remain engaged. Therefore, positive on-task behavior and skill achievement support each other and ultimately improve learning outcomes.

9. Explain effective teaching skills.

Effective teaching requires a combination of **content knowledge, pedagogical knowledge, classroom management knowledge, and social-emotional knowledge**.

Important effective teaching skills include:

- **Strong content knowledge:** The teacher should have a clear understanding of the subject.
- **Pedagogical knowledge:** The teacher should know how to teach content using suitable methods.
- **Classroom management:** The teacher should establish rules, routines, procedures, and positive behavior.

- **Social-emotional skills:** The teacher should understand students' emotions, needs, and social relationships.
- **Clear instruction:** Instructions should be clear, concise, and appropriate.
- **Student engagement:** Lessons should consider students' interests and encourage active participation.
- **Monitoring:** The teacher should continuously monitor learning and behavior.
- **Feedback:** Feedback should be timely and constructive.
- **Organization:** The classroom and lesson should be well organized.
- **Positive relationships:** The teacher should build caring and secure relationships with students.

These skills work together to create an environment where effective teaching and learning can take place.

10. Explain the role of stakeholders in classroom management.

The major stakeholders include **students, teachers, parents, school heads, administrators, coordinators, support staff, and the wider community.**

Teachers

Teachers establish rules, organize the classroom, teach appropriate behavior, monitor learning, and maintain positive relationships.

Students

Students should follow rules, act responsibly, respect teachers, care for peers, and participate actively in learning.

Parents

Parents should understand school policies, communicate information about their children's needs, and cooperate with teachers.

Head of school and administrators

They establish school-wide policies, provide leadership, and ensure that rules and discipline procedures are implemented.

Support staff and counselors

They help identify and address serious behavioral, emotional, and psychological problems.

Community

The community can help identify problems that may originate outside the classroom and support solutions.

All stakeholders must **abide by rules, maintain discipline, build rapport, and identify problems and solutions.**

11. How should teachers maintain good behavior of students in class?

Teachers should maintain good behavior through **prevention, positive reinforcement, clear expectations, and consistent management.**

First, teachers should establish rules at the beginning of the year and involve students in creating them. Students should understand both the rules and the consequences of breaking them.

Second, teachers should establish routines and procedures and communicate them clearly. The teacher should model the behavior expected from students.

Third, teachers should use praise and rewards to reinforce desirable behavior. They should monitor student behavior and provide timely feedback.

Teachers should also create a caring classroom environment by respecting students, listening to their problems, showing emotional support, and encouraging cooperation.

Finally, rules should be enforced uniformly without favoritism. Serious behavioral problems should be addressed through appropriate school procedures and, when necessary, counseling or referral services.

12. Why is it important to plan a variety of tasks?

Planning a variety of tasks is important because students have **different abilities, interests, learning needs, and levels of confidence.** One type of activity may not engage every learner.

Variety can include:

- Individual work.
- Pair work.
- Group work.
- Discussion.
- Projects.
- Written activities.
- Practical activities.
- Question-answer activities.

Varied tasks keep students engaged and reduce boredom and disruptive behavior. They also provide opportunities for different students to participate and demonstrate their strengths.

The teacher should prepare students for each task by giving clear instructions, checking understanding, assigning roles when needed, and monitoring activities. Pair and group work can also develop cooperation and communication skills.

13. Explain Cookbook Management.

Cookbook management is an **eclectic and practical approach** to classroom management in which a teacher combines different management approaches according to the particular situation.

A teacher does not use only one approach for every classroom problem. Different situations require different responses. For example, a minor disruption may be handled through a reminder or praise, while a serious problem may require a formal consequence or referral.

Cookbook management may include a combination of:

- Clear rules and procedures.
- Positive reinforcement.
- Praise and rewards.
- Behavior modification.
- Appropriate consequences.
- Counseling or referral.
- Other suitable management techniques.

The teacher selects the approach that best fits the **situation and the individual or group of students**. It is therefore called an eclectic approach because it combines effective methods rather than following one fixed system.

The major advantage is flexibility. However, the teacher must use professional judgment and should avoid harmful approaches such as physical force, humiliation, or excessive intimidation. The handouts describe cookbook management as a practical combination of effective approaches for solving daily classroom problems.