

Planning for Teaching: Use of ICT in lesson planning, execution, evaluation and assignments

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Information and Communication Technology is a powerful tool, which has found a place in all aspects of our life. ICT skills are those skills that are required to operate software to be used such as page layout, using different font size, text fonts, importing pictures etc. As students and teachers with the help of ICT can have access to numerous references, the use of ICT in daily classroom activities has increased over a period of time. Technology based lessons help the teacher to deliver material to students in a compact and creative manner.

ICT use can be made by the teachers at all stages of a lesson. So now let us discuss how ICT can be put to use in **lesson planning**. Teachers need to prepare and plan the lesson which they are going to teach .She should thus plan and arrange the content to be delivered in a more interesting and captivating manner

.Hence the adoption of ICT based lessons help the teacher to deliver more vivid and creative lessons .So the teacher has to carefully plan for an ICT based lesson with the available software.

With regard to the **execution of the lesson** a variety of ICT tools can be used. It is observed that students today enjoy technology based lectures rather than listening to the monotonous explanations given by the teacher .So the teacher can execute the lesson through the use of MS Word, PowerPoint presentations, pdf files, images, web cameras etc. The teacher can also make use of the overhead projector, the whiteboard and as well as the smart board for the delivery of the lesson.

With regard to **lesson evaluation**, history lessons can be evaluated using ICT effectively. There are a number of educational games available to evaluate the students. Several crossword puzzles can also be presented to the students wherein the students can be evaluated for their creativity. Reinforcement can also be effectively given to the students with the use of Interactive whiteboard.

ICT based assignments help the students to come up with creative ideas. So students can be told to prepare a power point presentation or download a video or audio recording of famous personalities, as part of their assignment .Students can also prepare their assignments using Microsoft Word.

However the use of ICT in the class has its limitations; like it needs constant power supply, adequate software, necessary finances and the technical know-how on part of the teacher so as to deliver an effective lesson using ICT.

So we can conclude by saying that technology has come to stay and helps us to keep pace with the latest development .On account of ITC based lessons the students feel motivated and so get involved in the teaching learning process. ICT can be used to prepare creative and lively lessons.

