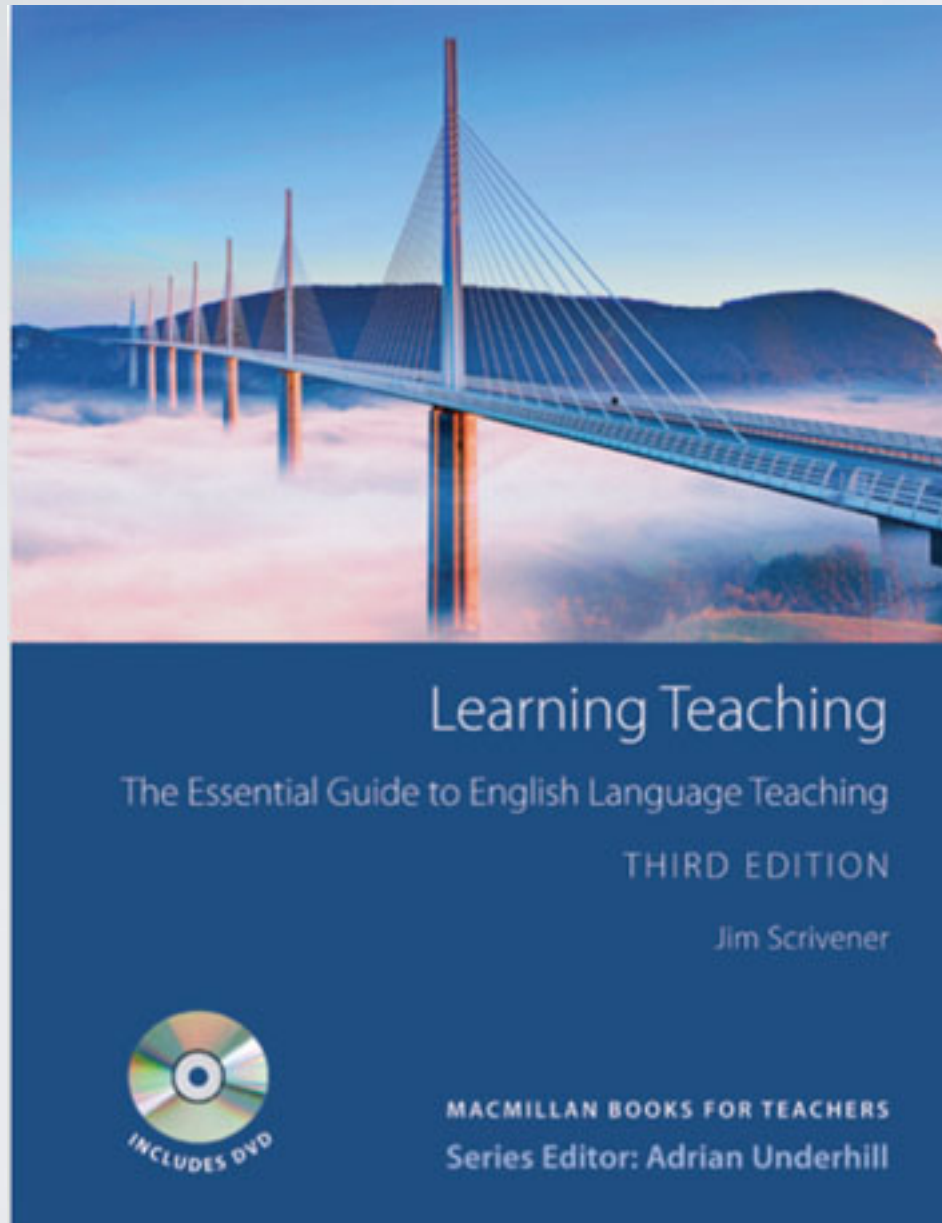


Activity Route Map



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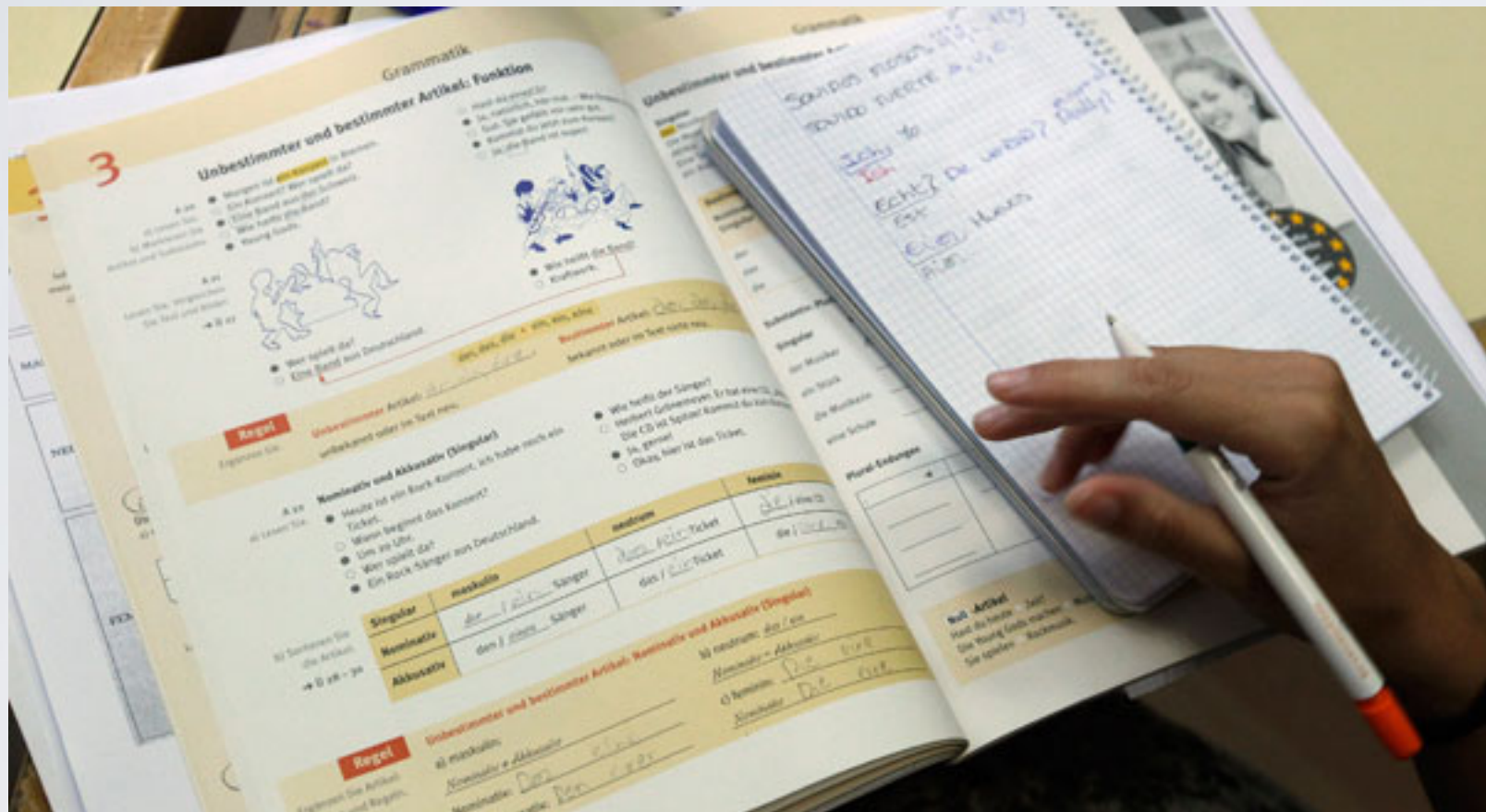
The basic building block of a lesson is an activity or task.

“something that learners do that involves them using or working with language to achieve some specific outcome”

- Listening or reading
- Pronunciation
- Grammar work
- Speaking practice
- and so on...

Activity Route Map

Using a coursebook / textbook



Content can be adapted in terms of groupings or skills work.

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Examples:

- Think-pair-share
- Whole class mingle
- Group mediation/consensus
- Ranking ideas
- Jigsaw reading or discussion
- Speed and time restrictions

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Basic route map plan

1. Before the lesson
2. In class: Lead in/Prepare/Warm up
3. Set up the activity
4. Run the activity
5. Close the activity
6. Post activity

Activity Route Map

Before the lesson

- Imagine each step of the lesson
- What seating/groups are needed?
- What if there are uneven students?
- What language might need supporting?
- What errors might occur?
- What will the teacher do?
- How long will it take?

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Lead in / Preparation / Warm up

- Get interest
- Set the context / context of use
- Activate background knowledge
- Provide examples
- Show a picture/video
- Ask easy warm up Qs
- Arouse curiosity

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Setting up the activity

- Organize the students
- Give clear instructions
- Demonstrate the activity
- Provide visual support
- Show the outcome
- Ask checking questions (ICQs)

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Running the activity

- Monitor for misunderstandings
- Walk around the room
- Listen for language and errors
- Don't interrupt
- Provide hints/repairs only when necessary
- Save language errors for class discussion

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Closing the activity

- Try to sense when students have finished
- Check with groups
- Have extra questions ready for fast-finishing groups
- Give a time warning
- Move on to the next step together

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Post activity

- Students report answers to the class
- Re-group and compare (jigsaw)
- Students lead the checking of answers (e.g. writing on the board)
- Groups ask each other Qs
- Vote or debate outcome
- Repair language errors (whole class)
- Review language used
- Have the next stage ready

A lesson of activities

A lesson is a series of activities with transitional stages between activities.

