

Learning a Second Language

Subject #1 of the 2,5 Year Boarding

Our boarding students join our schools in the district centers where they start learning English as a second language. English is one of our Science of Language Programs, but it is not until they enroll into the second semester, that they start learning Portuguese as a second language.

All our Science of Language Programs focus on practice based learning. We begin by teaching fundamental grammar formulas which focus on a core of 72 system words. By learning a sound grammatical framework, students are able to see, construct and practice the language extremely quickly, and ready to build up vocabulary later.



EASY SYSTEM FOR PRONUNCIATION

Right from the start of their course, students learn a unique pronunciation system that helps students pronounce English words as a native speaker. For those students who are having difficulties reading, the pronunciation system works out perfectly as it uses a symbol system to identify vowel and consonant sounds in words.



SYSTEMATIC WAY OF LEARNING THROUGH

Students learn a second language in a systematic way which starts with basic formulas and grammar principles. As they are going through their course, we gradually build on their understanding and skills, enabling them to construct sentences with system words, nouns, verbs, and combine sentences with conjunctions.



PRACTICE BASED LEARNING METHODS

All the students' learning is carried out with tons of speaking practice. Throughout their course, ~ 80% of their classroom time is spent on actual speaking practice. Students learn how to ask and answer questions, converse with each other on daily topics, give presentations on a variety of topics, and sing simple songs.



WRITING AND COMPREHENSION SKILLS

Once the students are able to construct sentences with conjunctions, students move on to comprehensive text learning. They learn motivational stories and are asked to answer questions based on the stories. Their learning is also paired with writing short essays which help them to reflect on and understand the topics better.