EFFECTIVE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FOR ONLINE DISTANCE LEARNING

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In every learning institution, it is important to examine the interaction between teacher-learner within the classroom because it can determine the learning experiences that students get. Not only that, but classroom observation also encourages colleagues to collaborate to improve teacher practice and student learning. However, due to this unforeseen pandemic brought by COVID-19, face-to-face classroom interaction was replaced with modular distance learning and online learning. Therefore, many asks what the best instructional material for modular distance or online learning is.

Most schools adapted the Modular Distance Learning and online learning. Aside from the modules that students answer, teachers also create video lessons that will help the learners to better understand the lesson while they stay at home and study with their family members. Video lessons are proven to increase student engagement, which in turn helps boost learners' achievement. If students are interested in the video lesson instructional materials, they will process and remember the lessons better which contributes to authenticity compared to reading them from a book. Video lessons offer the flexibility to pause, rewind, or skip throughout the video to have class discussions or review areas.

This school year is really a challenging one for all teachers. Despite some difficulties, it is still important that we try to thrive in providing 21st century teaching using video lessons which increase the engagement level and motivation of learners. It allows authenticity of learning. Video engages both the student and teacher in a one-on-one relationship without ever being in the same room. The visual cues combined with



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audio play a huge role in the comprehension and retention of new material. Thus, when video lessons are is used in the classroom, learners are pushed to think critically when introduced to complex content. Undeniably, the instructional materials that teachers use to facilitate the learning of the students greatly affects the quality of teaching and learning.

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