

Teacher training worksheet- Classroom language problems and solutions

<p>The students say they don't understand when you use English for classroom instructions. You know they do understand really, but they think they if they complain enough you will start using L1 instead</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>You have told the same pair of students to stop giggling/ fighting/ messing about/ leaning back on their chairs/ chatting in L1 three times</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>Your students are too embarrassed to stick their tongues out when they pronounce /th/</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>Your older students laugh at you when you use exaggerated intonation or gestures</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>90% of classroom interactions are you speaking in English and then your students replying in L1</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>Your students almost always listen to your instructions and then follow the instructions on the page instead</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>One or two strong students translate what you say so often that the other students have got used to waiting for translation and so don't listen to the English</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>One student just can't understand the difference between "have" and "have got", even though you are doing it for the second day and all the other students are getting bored with it</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
<p>A problem (real or imaginary) from another trainee</p> <p><i>What would you say (preferably in English) and what would you do?</i></p>
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