CLIL Lesson Plan: Word Stress & Syllabic Division

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Grade Level: B.Tech 1st Year - CSE/BT/MME

Course: English for Technical Communication

Subject: Word Stress & Syllabic Division

Duration: 60 minutes

Objectives:

Content Objective:

• By the end of this lesson, students will understand the principles of syllabic division and stress placement in English words.

Language Objective:

• By the end of this lesson, students will be able to correctly divide words into syllables and apply stress rules in spoken communication.

Materials:

- Projector and screen
- Handouts on syllabic division and stress rules
- List of words for practice
- Whiteboard and markers

Preparation:

- Prepare a presentation explaining syllabic division and word stress rules.
- Create a handout outlining key stress rules with examples.
- Arrange classroom seating to facilitate individual participation during the activity.

Procedure:

1. Introduction to Syllabic Division (10 minutes)

- Begin with a discussion on syllables and their importance in pronunciation.
- Explain how words can be divided into syllables with examples.
- Provide students with a handout summarizing syllabic division rules.

2. Understanding Stress Rules (15 minutes)

- Introduce key stress rules in English pronunciation, such as:
 - Stress on the first syllable for most two-syllable nouns and adjectives.
 - o Stress on the second syllable for most two-syllable verbs.
 - Stress placement in longer words based on suffixes and prefixes.
- Provide word examples and engage students in practice exercises.

3. Activity: Marking Stress on Words (25 minutes)

- Call each student one after the other to mark stress on words displayed on the board or screen.
- Encourage students to apply the stress rules learned.
- Provide feedback and correct any misconceptions.
- Allow peer discussion and engagement.

Conclusion (10 minutes)

- Summarize key takeaways from the session.
- Ask students to reflect on their learning and identify challenging aspects.
- Assign a short written exercise where students divide words into syllables and mark stress based on the rules provided.
- Thank students for their participation.

Assessment:

- Observation of students' participation and accuracy in marking stress.
- Evaluation of students' understanding through their responses during the activity.
- Review of students' written assignments to assess their grasp of syllabic division and stress placement.

Homework/Extension:

- Assign students to find five new words, divide them into syllables, and mark the stressed syllable.
- Encourage students to listen to English speeches and identify word stress patterns.

Note: This CLIL lesson plan integrates phonetics and pronunciation skills, helping engineering students improve their spoken English by understanding and applying word stress rules effectively.