

Report 1

Participant Feedback: Spoken Grammar and Reading in EFL "Global Issues"

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Purpose

This survey gathered **feedback from 63 preservice teachers** in Mexico on their experiences in the "Spoken Grammar and Reading in EFL – Global Issues" course. The goal was to assess improvements in English skills, confidence, engagement with global topics, and professional growth.

Key Findings

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Students reported notable progress in understanding and using English grammar.
 - Over 70% indicated good to very good comprehension of verb BE and articles/nouns.
 - A majority felt confident or somewhat confident using the simple present tense.

INTEGRATION OF GLOBAL ISSUES

- Course readings on LGBTQ issues, social media, and climate change were rated as useful or very useful by nearly 90% of respondents.
- Participants highlighted climate change and LGBTQ topics as especially relevant and thought-provoking.

CULTURAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Monthly workshops on U.S. culture, history, and literature were seen as
 directly related to education by most participants.
- Over 90% rated these workshops as useful for understanding diverse educational contexts.

PRACTICE & EXCHANGE

 More than 70% of students felt they had opportunities to practice speaking English and to share their own culture during the course.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

- **Nearly all respondents** said the course contributed to their development as secondary teachers and helped improve their digital literacy.
- Many participants linked the course to increased classroom readiness and a stronger sense of professional identity.

SATISFACTION

- 96% of respondents expressed satisfaction with the course.
- Open comments praised the instructor's teaching style, interactive methods, and positive classroom climate. The most frequent suggestion for improvement was to extend the class time for more interaction.

Conclusion

Survey results confirm that the Virtual Educator Program course advanced both student success and professional teacher growth. Participants improved their English grammar and confidence, engaged with global issues in meaningful ways, and valued opportunities for cultural exchange. The overwhelmingly positive feedback highlights the program's role in preparing preservice teachers to integrate English language learning with real-world issues and cross-cultural understanding.

Report 2

Participant Feedback: Spoken Grammar and Reading in EFL "Teaching Strategies"

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Purpose

This survey collected **feedback from 43 preservice teachers** in Mexico on their experiences in the "Spoken Grammar and Reading in EFL – Teaching Strategies" course. The goal was to evaluate gains in grammar knowledge, confidence in English use, and the usefulness of teaching strategy readings and cultural workshops.

Key Findings

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Students reported **improved understanding** of key grammar areas, including *negative simple present tense* and *past progressive vs. simple past*.
- Confidence with prepositions of direction was mixed: nearly half felt only somewhat or not confident, highlighting an area for continued practice.
- A majority found the course effective in helping them formulate yes/no questions with the verb BE.

TEACHING STRATEGIES INTEGRATION

- Readings on differentiated learning, scaffolding, and social-emotional learning were rated as highly useful by most participants, with over 90% finding them valuable for their professional formation.
- **Nearly all agreed** that the course successfully integrated English instruction with the introduction of teaching strategies.

CULTURAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Workshops on U.S. culture, history, and literature were considered directly related to education by 79% of participants.
- 97% rated these workshops as useful or extremely useful for understanding diverse educational contexts.

PRACTICE & EXCHANGE

- While many students valued the opportunity to practice English, 58% reported feeling they did not have enough speaking practice.
- Cultural sharing was more limited, with about one-third reporting sufficient opportunities to share their own culture.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

- Over 95% said the course contributed significantly or moderately to their development as preschool teachers.
- About half indicated that the course improved their digital literacy skills, while others noted moderate or slight gains.

SATISFACTION

- 93% of participants expressed overall satisfaction with the course.
- Open comments praised the interactive teaching style, engaging activities, and supportive environment. Suggestions for improvement included more speaking practice, stronger internet connectivity, and longer class sessions.

Conclusion

Survey results show that the course advanced both language proficiency and professional readiness among preservice teachers. Participants gained essential grammar knowledge, explored modern teaching strategies, and benefited from cultural workshops that broadened their educational perspective. The high satisfaction rates and positive feedback highlight the program's success in fostering teacher growth while identifying areas for continued improvement, particularly in expanding speaking practice opportunities.

Report 3

Participant Feedback: Educational Psychology in EFL

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Purpose

This survey gathered **feedback from 18 preservice teachers** in Mexico on their experiences in the "Educational Psychology in EFL" course. The aim was to assess their understanding of key psychological concepts, integration with English learning, and the course's contribution to professional growth.

Key Findings

LANGUAGE & CONCEPTUAL SKILLS

- 100% of students reported understanding behavioral engagement (active participation, attentiveness, cooperation) well or very well.
- Over 70% fully understood cognitive learning concepts (learning with senses, playing, emotions, and vocabulary).
- 44% felt very confident and 56% somewhat confident applying constructive learning strategies.

RELEVANCE OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

- 89% found the theories **extremely** or **very relevant** to their understanding of preschool education.
- Nearly all agreed the course effectively demonstrated how these theories could be observed in preschool contexts.

INTEGRATION OF ENGLISH & PSYCHOLOGY

 100% of respondents felt the course successfully integrated English learning with psychology concepts.

CULTURAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Workshops on U.S. culture, history, and literature were directly related to education and rated as very or extremely useful by all participants.
- 100% reported **significant** or **moderate** contribution of the course to their development as preschool teachers.
- 94% said the course improved their digital literacy skills.

PRACTICE & EXCHANGE

- All students indicated they had sufficient opportunities to practice speaking English.
- However, 83% felt opportunities to share their own culture were limited.

SATISFACTION

- 100% of participants were satisfied, with 83% reporting being very satisfied.
- Open comments praised the teacher's engaging style, well-organized lessons, interactive activities, and use of digital tools. The most common suggestion was to extend class time for deeper practice.

Conclusion

Feedback confirms that the Educational Psychology in EFL course advanced both English language development and professional teacher preparation. Participants strengthened their understanding of educational psychology, gained confidence in applying concepts to preschool education, and appreciated cultural workshops that expanded their perspectives. The overwhelmingly positive satisfaction ratings reflect the course's success in blending language instruction with professional training for future educators.