

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TEACHING STRATEGIES, METHODS, TECHNIQUES AND MAXIMS

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TEACHING STRATEGIES

They are high level plan designed to achieve specific learning objectives.

- It reflects the philosophy and goals of instruction.
- It is influenced by learning context, learner needs, subject matter etc.

Example: Inquiry-Based Learning, Cooperative learning, Flipped Classroom....

Why We Teach this way

TEACHING METHODS

- Teaching Methods are systematic procedure used to implement a teaching strategy.
- Methods are more structured and procedural than strategies.

Example: Lecture Method, Demonstration Method, Discussion Method, Project Method

How we teach this content

TEACHING TECHNIQUES

- Teaching Techniques are specific instructional action used within a method.
- Techniques are the most practical aspect of teaching.
- Chosen based on content, classroom dynamics,

Example: Storytelling, Questioning, Role Play

Tools to bring a method to life

TEACHING MAXIMS

- Maxims are the universal rules that guide T-L process.
- They are based on logical/psychological flow of knowledge.
- They make instruction logical and effective.

Example: Easy to Complex, Known to Unknown

How & in what sequence

TABLE OF COMPARISON

Aspect	Strategy	Method	Technique	Maxim
Definition	Plan to achieve goals	Organized approach to teach	Specific classroom activity	Principle guiding instruction
Scope	Broad framework	Structured process	Narrow, tactical	Universal guideline
Focus	Why to teach	How to deliver content	What exactly teacher does	In what sequence
Role in Teaching	Guides selection of method	Delivers strategy	Executes method effectively	Enhances clarity and logic

CONCLUSION

- Use strategies, methods, techniques and maxims in harmony for effective teaching.
- Strategy is a roadmap, method is a route you take, technique is how you drive, and maxims are the rules of the road.
- Teachers should adapt and combine these elements based on student needs, curriculum objectives, content, available resources, etc.

Thank You