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How to teach different types of Arabic Text

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Dr. Ayari talked about one of the five standers of language teaching, (5 C's) which is connections. He said, by using a natural content to teach the language and the grammar it will be more effective for the student. This mean teaching language through real subjects, such as: science, geography, etc. He also said that many of the school language textbooks use unnatural content which is built up according to the grammar. Through this kind of text the student will not get a full understanding of the language. He mentioned the some of the challenges of using the natural content. Such as, requiring a full cooperation between the language teachers and other teachers. The teacher sometimes lacks knowledge in other subjects. There was a discussion between the audience, some sided with Dr. Ayari others argued that grammar should be put first.

In my opinion, the discussion showed that the principle of teaching language is not clear for many Arabic Language teachers.