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Behaviourist Approach

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Sometimes people use the terms method and approach interchangeably. In the real sense, Approach is broader than method. It states a point of view or philosophy or an assumption which one believes but cannot necessarily prove. Actually, approach deals with assumptions. In this way, with one approach, there can be many methods.

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Grammar Translation method is also known as classical method. It is the oldest method and came in India with the Britishers. This method has no psychological base but has two philosophical bases—

1. A foreign language can be easily learnt through translation.
2. Grammar is the soul of language.

Principles of the method.

Thompson and Wyatt say—

"This method is based on three sound principles".

1. Translation interprets foreign phraseology best.

2. In the process of interpretation, the foreign phraseology is assimilated.

3. The structure for a foreign language is best learnt when compared and contrasted with that of the mother-tongue.