《高中英语(上外版)》选择性必修第二册 Unit 2 Language and Mind

课时: 第四课时 教学内容: Saving Critically Endangered Languages in Australia;

Why Should Students Learn Foreign Languages?

课型: Listening and Viewing 设计者: 上海市曹杨中学 曲美洁

一、教学设计与说明

1. 教学目标

本课为本单元第四课时,核心目标为能依据视听内容获取内容要点和支撑性 论据;能借助问题中的关键提示词获取相关细节;能理解多模态资源所传达的不 同学习者的经历。

2. 设计思路

本课为本单元第四课时,通过前三课时有关语言塑造思维的语篇等语料的思考,学生已了解不少语言影响或塑造思维的实例,并对语言和思维之间的关系进行了辩证思考。本课听力材料的主题为保护澳大利亚濒危语言,视频材料的主题 为学习外语的好处,可以引导学生从多模态资源中获取语篇内容和细节,归纳理 解语言与文化间的关系,梳理学习外语给学生带来的好处,进一步让学生辩证思 考是否应该学习一门二外。

在导入部分,让学生通过阅读 Culture Link 对"部分语言正在消失"的这一 现状有所了解,意识到语言和文化、文明传承之间的关系,进而引导学生思考我 们要保护濒危语言,保护文化多样性。听中环节教师会提前告知学生注意听力材 料中的数字,让学生能更好地抓住所需信息,获取澳大利亚濒危语言现状,通过 课本习题梳理语言和文化间的关系;听后让学生结合生活实际思考上海方言的现 状。

视频内容通过两个男孩的学习经历介绍学习外语的好处。为训练学生从多模态语料中获取信息的能力,先让学生观看静音版本视频猜测人物关系和主要内容; 观看有声视频前,教师会提前讲授抓取关键信息的方法,引导学生定位到关键点, 梳理出视频语篇的框架,再次观看时通过填充表格的方式获取细节。最后引导学 生运用从多模态资源中习得的语言知识,结合主人公的故事,阐述学习二外的好 处,进一步引导学生思考语言和思维间的关系。

3. 教学重点及难点

教学重点在于教导学生掌握在听和看的过程中定位关键信息的技巧,获取听 力语篇有关澳大利亚濒危语言的现状,能结合视频语篇所举实例论述学习外语的 好处。

教学难点在于引导学生辩证思考学习外语对人们思维的影响,唤起学生保护方言,挽救濒危语言的意识。

Lesson Plan

Teaching objectives:

By the end of this period, students will be able to:

- 1. obtain the main idea and supporting details from the audio and the video and summarize the speaker's opinions on learning a foreign language;
- 2. get the relevant details with the help of the key words in the given information;
- 3. form your own opinions about the benefits of learning a foreign language.

Procedures:

I. Lead-in

Activity 1: Reading the Culture Link about disappearing languages:

*Teacher: Ask students to read the Culture Link on p. 26 and answer the questions about disappearing languages.

*Students: Answer the questions based on the Culture Link related to disappearing languages.

Purpose: To inspire students to think about the relationship between language and our life

Guided questions:

- 1. How many living languages are there in the world now?
- 2. How many languages will have disappeared by the end of the century?
- 3. What will happen if a language disappears?

II. Listening

Activity 2: Listening to the audio clip for the status quo of the endangered languages in Australia

*Teacher: Ask students to listen to the audio and answer the questions about the status quo of endangered languages in Australia.

*Students: Write down the numbers according to the audio and answer the questions.

*Teacher: Ask students to listen to the audio clip for a second time and fill in the blanks.

*Students: Fill in the blanks following the tips given.

Purpose: To grasp the status quo of endangered languages in Australia and have a general idea about the relationship between language and culture

Guided questions:

1. About how many languages were spoken in Australia?

- 2. About how many languages are still spoken today in Australia?
- 3. When did Europeans arrive in Australia?
- 4. How many languages are considered "alive" and in daily use in Australia?

Activity 3: Reading a passage for the problem of the Shanghai dialect

*Teacher: Ask students to read a passage about the Shanghai dialect and discuss the questions related to its status quo.

*Students: Read the passage and share their opinions.

Purpose: To help students think about saving dialects critically.

Guided questions:

- 1. Can you speak the Shanghai dialect fluently?
- 2. Do you think the Shanghai dialect is important in today's life? Why?
- 3. What problem do Shanghai speakers face?
- 4. What can we do to preserve the Shanghai dialect?

III. Viewing

Activity 4: Watching the video in silent mode for the relationship between the two boys

*Teacher: Ask students to watch the video in silent mode and infer some information through watching.

*Students: Watch the video in silent mode and answer the questions.

Purpose: To guide students to infer from pictures and subtitles.

Guided questions:

- 1. What's the possible relationship between the two boys?
- 2. What were they busy doing?

Activity 5: Watching the video again to learn the benefits of learning foreign languages

*Teacher: Ask students to watch the video, answer the questions and fill in the blanks.

*Students: Answer the questions and fill in the blanks while viewing.

*Teacher: Ask students to watch the video again and pick out the benefits of learning a foreign language.

*Students: Pick out the benefits of learning a foreign language.

Purpose: To guide students to understand the stories of the two boys, including

their similarities and differences.

Guided questions:

- 1. Did the boys both succeed in what they were doing? Why or why not?
- 2. What are the benefits of learning a foreign language based on what you have watched?

Activity 6: Retelling the story and reflecting on the benefits of learning a foreign language.

*Teacher: Ask students to tell the story between Matt and John, and analyze why John succeeded.

*Students: Suppose he or she was Matt, and tell the story from the first-person perspective. Share their understanding of the effects of learning a foreign language on the human mind according to John's story.

Purpose: To guide students to think about the benefits of learning a foreign language by reflecting on Matt and John's story.

Guided instructions:

Suppose you were Matt, tell the story between you and John, reflect on your experiences and analyze why John succeeded. (Word bank: *apply for..., convert...into...., admissions to..., face rejection, involve himself in..., enhance / raise / sharpen / improve*)

Assignments:

- 1. Complete the exercises of Reading and Viewing on pages 27-30 in the workbook.
- 2. Summarize the benefits of learning a foreign language mentioned in the exercises.