

Teaching Aids

Train the Trainers Workshop



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Visual Aids

- Chalkboard, dry wipe board
- Flipcharts
- Posters
- Slides
- Handouts
- The actual objects you are teaching about (e.g. system or network hardware)
- Models

Visual Aids

- Keep your visual aids as simple as possible - not only you will get the point home better, they are less likely to go wrong!
- Beware they can take a long time to prepare. However a good visual aid can be an extremely effective teaching tool.
- Make sure you are well practised with your visual aids and comfortable using them.

TEST YOUR VISUAL AIDS BEFORE USING THEM IN THE CLASSROOM!

Computer lab practical sessions

- Hands-on activity lets students apply learned knowledge in a "safe" environment and builds confidence.
- Ensure the practical task is clearly defined, and students understand fully what they are being asked to do and what the expected outcome is.
- A step-by-step worksheet gives structure and can be used as a reference guide when repeating the task later; can also have spaces to fill in observations.

Computer lab practical sessions

- Ensure that the instructions are accurate - test every step beforehand on the same machines that the students will use.
- Biggest causes of delays are when students don't know what they are supposed to do, and when instructions are inaccurate.
- Different students move at different speeds. Consider including extra exercises which faster students can do at the end.