

The Language Classroom

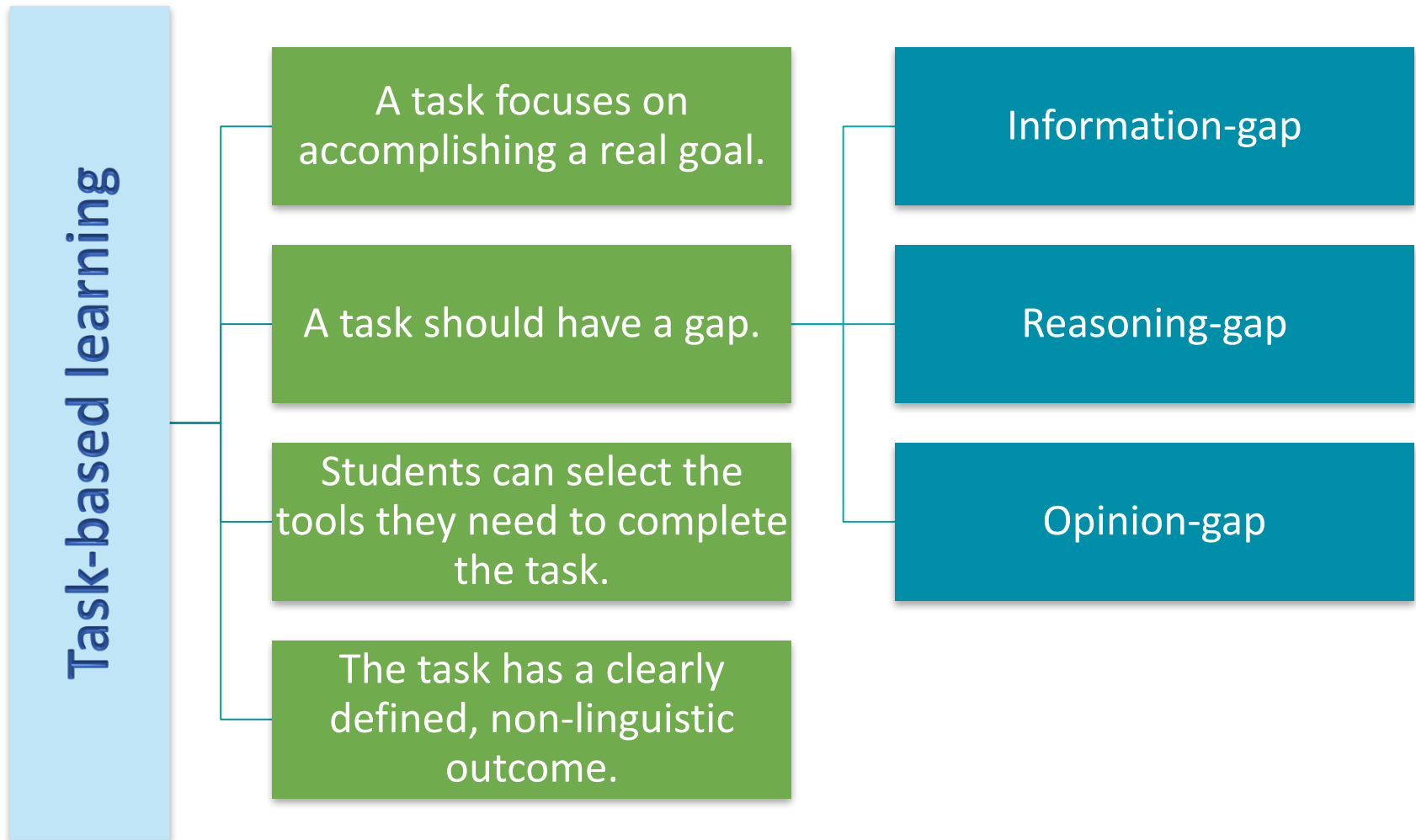
Episode 5: Task-based learning and Project-based learning

What is task-based learning?



Task-based learning is a teaching approach which requires students to use authentic language to complete a real-life task. Students choose the linguistic tools required to complete the task.

Example: Ordering food at a restaurant.



Phase 1: Pre-task

- Introduction of the task.
- (optional) Presentation of linguistic content.

Phase 2: The task

- Students work through the activity in small groups.

Phase 3: The review

- Review the production as a group.
- Discussion of the task.
- Informal correction and review of concepts.

What is project-based learning?



Project-based learning (PBL) is a teaching approach which requires students to work together to identify and solve a real-life problem

Phase 1: Plan

- Driving question
- Introduction to the project

Phase 2: Research

- Classroom activities
- Students make choices
- Become SME on their topic

Phase 3: Develop

- Decide on how to solve the driving question
- Performance Assessment

Phase 4: Share

- Reflection
- Share the answer to the driving question
- (optional) Subject-Matter Expert review
- Summative Assessment

