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**SEMINAR ON
SLM DEVELOPMENT
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Objectives.....

After going through this training,

- you will be able to explain structure of SLM
- you will be able to write the unit for SLM

What is SLM

- Predominant form in ODL
- learner-centered materials
- With inbuilt Teacher



Characteristics of SLM

Self-Explanatory

Self-Contained

Self-Directed

Self-Motivating

Self-Evaluating

Self-Learning



Textbooks Vs SLM

Textbooks	Self-Learning Materials
Assume interest	Arouse interest
Written mainly for teacher use	Written primarily for Learner use
Do not indicate study time	Give estimates of study time
Designed for a wider market	Designed for a particular learner group
Rarely state aims and objectives	Always give aims and objectives
Structured for teachers and specialists	Structured according to the need of learners
Little or no self-assessment	Major emphasis on self-assessment

Objectives

SMART

- S - Specific
- M - Measurable
- A - Accurate
- R - Realistic
- T - Time / Testable



Components of Objectives

- **Conditions (Situation)**-Condition under which the behavior will occur
- **Performance (Action)**-Behavior is described in observable and measurable terms (by using a verb)
- **Standards (Level)**-Expected level or standard for successful performance

Standard of Objective depends on the level of the learners.



Terminology for Objectives

- **Descriptive verbs:** define, describe, explain, list, select, state, etc.
- **Discriminative verbs:** compare, differentiate, identify, summarize, illustrate, outline, separate, select etc.
- **Motor performance verbs:** type, draw, measure, etc.

Examples of Objectives

- After reading this unit you will be able to write the unit for SLM
- After going through this unit, you should be able to explain characteristics of SLM.



Introduction

- Explains the content being discussed
- Relates the unit and also with the existing knowledge of the learners.

should be **brief** to provide **adequate help** to the **learners** in starting their study.



Introduction components

Structural part

- Backward and forward linkages

Thematic part

- Overview of the main concepts to be discussed
- Builds communication with learners

Guidance part

- Study guide and requirements such as time, special activities, back/cross references, equipment, books, etc
- How to achieve the objectives
- Motivation role-How it is going to help

Main Body

- **Thematic Content**
- **Illustrations/ photos/Diagrams/Graphics**
- **Tables/Charts**
- **SAQs/Activities**



Content...

- Small steps
- Logical arrangement
- Ordering the content
- Personalized style
- Language
- Illustrations
- Assessment

Organization of Content

- known to the unknown
- Simple to complex
- Concrete to abstract
- Particular to general



Language of Content

- Simple and clear sentences
- Simple vocabulary
- One idea in one paragraph
- Interactive and personalized
- Humor



Activities... Writing, Thinking, Doing

- In-text Self-Assessment Questions
- Exercises
- Activities



Thank You.....

