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## LANGUAGE SKILLS (LSRW)

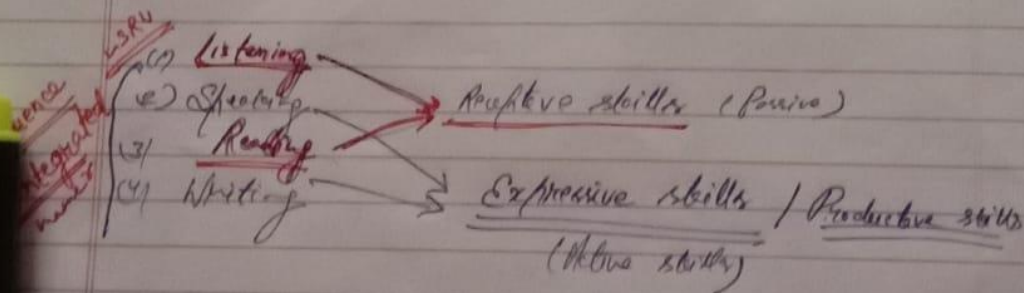
It means the development of four basic skills

(1) Listening :  $\Rightarrow$  Semantic aspect of a language  
(meaningful / sense - many details)

(2) Speaking :  $\Rightarrow$  Phonetic aspect of a language  
(sound)

(3) Reading :  $\Rightarrow$  Phonetic aspect - graphical aspect  
(phonetic - sound)  
(graph - write)

(4) Writing - Graphical aspect of a language  
(graph - writing form / material)  
eg: - Dysgraphia (disease)



- Language has four basic skills these are LSRW in a sequence.
- The development of these skills must be in a sequence their sequential order and in an integrated manner, then only these can be best learnt.

## WRITING SKILLS

Writing skills => It is a productive skill in written mode. It represents a graphic representation of speech as well as development and presentation of thoughts in structured way.

Writing skill is a complex, and purposeful act of communication. Its constituents are proper structure, sentence formation, punctuation, sentence and paragraph breaks etc.

As per NCF 2005, During Primary years writing ability should be developed holistically.

At secondary level routine tasks like letters, essay writing should be less emphasized to give a proper place to imaginal and originality.

The use of writing is to record events, explain, predict, command, request, entertainment, inform, narrate, invite and to summarize.

Writing is a process through which meaning is created. (i) Prewriting (ii) Drafting, (iii) Revising (iv) Planning and (v) Proofreading are steps of writing.

### Types of Writing =>

- (1) Expository writing
- (2) Descriptive writing
- (3) Persuasive writing
- (4) Narrative writing

(2) Expository writing ⇒

- Subject oriented.
  - No personal opinion.
  - Explanation of topic / facts / figures.
  - Logical order / sequence.
- e.g. - News stories, scientific writing, recipes, textbooks etc.

(2) Descriptive writing ⇒

- To describe.
  - The Poetic description.
  - Focus on describing a character, event, place in detail.
  - Author visualizes visualizes his scenes.
- e.g. - Diary writing, Journal, Poetry, Nature writing.

(3) Persuasive writing ⇒

- To convince.
- Contains the opinions / biases of author.
- Contains reasons, Justification etc.
- Advertisement, Reviews of something, Opinion page in papers, Letters (complaints, Cares, recommendations).

(4) Narrative writing :-

- To tell a story / event.
- Characters and dialogues.
- Definite beginning, interval & ending.
- Novels, stories, Poetry, biography etc

### Micro-skills in writing =>

- > Use correct forms of words (Tense, gender)
- > Correct word order.
- > Vocabulary, spelling, Punctuations.
- > Make sentence constituents (SVO) clear to reader.
- > Write content according to mental level of reader.
- > Distinct main idea from information.
- > Use of symbols and abbreviations.
- > Use of Cohesive devices (Then, Later and, Finally because etc)