

Step – Teaching skills online vs teaching skills face-to-face

Task

<u>Read the article</u>. What key differences when teaching the four skills does Cecilia talk about?

Answers

Teaching speaking: Feedback is done via the chat box and questions can be answered using a shared screen. Lessons can be recorded so the learner can watch them back.

Teaching reading: Paper handouts are replaced by electronic versions. Texts can be shared using the screen-share feature on many platforms. Some platforms allow you and learners to annotate over these. Teachers can take a photo of a text and share it with their learners.

Teaching listening: Teachers need to be sure that learners can listen to audio or watch video. Learners may need headphones when in noisy places but otherwise all stages of a listening lesson can be conducted online.

Teaching writing: Cecilia suggests that teachers can get creative with some online tools or do some collaborative writing using a tool such as Google Docs.