Module: Pictures in Easy-to-Read

Type of activity:

PowerPoint presentation with exercises

Level of complexity:

Medium

Time needed:

1h30min

When to use:

Use in the middle of the training session. Participants should have some familiarity with Easy-to-read methods.

Target group:

Beginners and experienced learners.

Group size:

Mid-size group (around 10 people) that can be broken into smaller groups.

Goals and outcomes:

- The participants will understand the different functions of images in a text and when to use them.
- The participants will distinguish between photographs and pictograms.
- The participants will analyse an image and speak about its potential meanings.
- The participants will understand how images orient the reading process.
- The participants will understand how readers can self-identify with the images used in the text (culturally, personally, etc.).



Media, material, and preparation:

- PowerPoint presentation
- Print out the 6 pictures for each small group (6 photos for one group of 3).
- Optional: Print out other illustrative slides in the PowerPoint

Instructions:

- Use the PowerPoint to illustrate the added value of pictures in Easyto-read.
- Make the presentation as interactive as possible by encouraging discussion among participants.
 - Example: Ask participants what they see in the first picture (slide 2). After discussion, show slide 3.
 - Slide 4 shows the participants a background can be removed from pictures on Word or Canva. Removing a background reduces potential distractions and reinforces the primary message of the image.
 - Ask participants what they could do to improve the pictures on slide 8. Show the solution on slide 9.
 - Ask participants what they see in the example on slide 13.
 Show the answer on slide 14.
 - Ask participants to spot the mistakes on slide 21. Show the answers on slide 22.
- Throughout the presentation, involve the participants by asking questions about the role(s) of photos and how to improve images for Easy-to-read texts.
- Split people in groups of 2 or 3 for the exercise on slides 17 and 18.



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