# Use of "collocation-based" glossaries for boosting CLIL skills among Japanese students

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### Overview

- 1. Rephrasing of CLIL 4Cs (Iwasaki, 2019b)
- 2. Learners failing to recognize collocations
- 3. Definitions of lexical and grammatical collocations
- 4. Examples of collocation-based glossaries
- 5. Conclusion

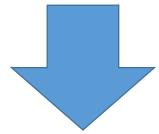
#### Who Are CLIL Teachers?

(Fluency in the target language, Iwasaki, 2019b)

Silver Spoons (NSs)



Face the same problem



Low fluency & lack of productive skills of the JP learners

Combatants (NNSs)



### CLIL 4 C's (or 5)

**CLIL** 

Communication

Content

Cognition

Culture /
Community

\*Not meant to replace the original

# Consciousness Raising

(as a way of "dramatizing" & motivating your class)

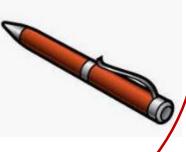


### Ex. Connecting Different Things

(= guessing) (Iwasaki, 2019b)

Air pollution +





Killer disease such as malaria +



2. Collaborative Interaction (between T-Sts / St-St) \*Frequent & brief



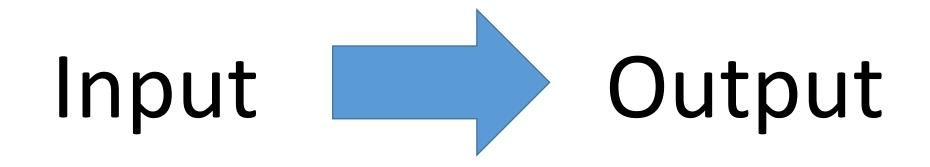
3. Collocation-based glossary



4. Crack a joke or two (per class)

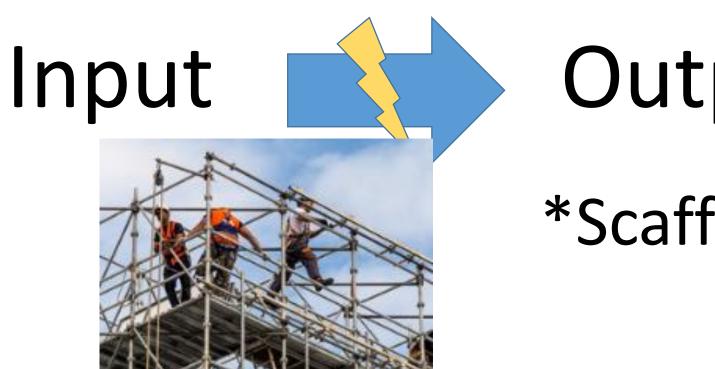


# Problems in Production & Presentation



(MEXT Guidelines, 2017, 2018)

## Observed Problems in Production & Presentation



Output

\*Scaffolding

•Input: It's [= Yosemite is] <u>famous</u> for its very tall trees.



•Output: Tall trees are famous in Yosemite. [ST]

•Input: She's convinced that we can <u>train</u> dogs <u>to</u> find people that carry the parasite.



•Output: We can train dogs and dogs find people with parasite. [ST]

•Input: Isaac Asimov <u>made good predictions</u> back in 1964 <u>about</u> our lives today.



•Output: Asimov did prediction of our lives today. [ST]

•Input: The vocabulary section <u>had a high</u> correlation with the reading section.



•Output: Vocabulary section had correlation of reading. [ST]

•Input: The village is already two-thirds along the way of becoming plastic bag free.



•Output: Two thirds of the shops in the villages give free plastic bags. [ST]

### **Lexical Collocations**

Habitual and semantic combinations of content words beyond chance frequency

ex. take a shower, drive a car, give information

### **Grammatical Collocations**

Habitual and grammatical combinations of words beyond chance frequency; content word + function word/grammatical category ex. in spite of N, in fact, want N, want N to (do), want N (done)

# Traditional glossary

- •correlation 相関
- •hypothesis 仮説
- •train 訓練する

•have [show] a high [moderate, low] correlation 高い[中程度の、低い] 相関を示す

• formulate [support, reject] the hypothesis 仮説を設定する[支持する、棄却する]

• train A to (do) Aが…するように訓練する

ex. They *trained* a dog *to* find the mosquito larvae smell.

 become plastic-bag free = stop using plastic bags

→ Use of English monolingual dictionaries

#### Elicit collocations from...

- 1. The journal / textbook itself
- 2. English dictionaries
- 3. Collocation dictionaries
- 4. Corpora (ex. COCA, BNC)

### hypothesis in an E-J dictionary

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hy•poth•e-sis*【名】(複一-ses)
1 [C] […という]仮説, 前提, 仮定[that 節]
// a working ~ 作業仮説/If a ~ is proved
true, it becomes an accepted fact. 仮説が正
しいと証明されると公認の事実となる.
2 [U] 推測,推量. (『ジーニアス英和辞典』)
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### hypothesis in a collocation dictionary

#### hypothesis noun

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ADJ. plausible | bold ⋄ Scientists have proposed a bold ~. |
speculative | alternative, competing | testable | working
⋄ These observations appear to support our working ~. |
scientific
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**VERB** + HYPOTHESIS construct, develop, form, formulate, have, make, present, propose, put forward, suggest ⋄ It is possible to make a ~ on the basis of this graph. ⋄ A number of hypotheses have been put forward. | consider, discuss, evaluate, examine, test, test out ⋄ She used this data to test her ~ | confirm, prove, support | accept | reject ⋄ None of the hypotheses can be rejected at this stage.

(Oxford collocations dictionary)

# hypothesis in a corpus (COCA)

	CONTEXT ALL FORMS (SAMPLE) : 100 200 500	FREQ	TOTAL 1,811   UNIQUE 589 +
1	SUPPORT THE HYPOTHESIS	169	
2	TEST THE HYPOTHESIS	133	
3	TEST THIS HYPOTHESIS	94	
4	SUPPORTS THE HYPOTHESIS	69	
5	TESTED THE HYPOTHESIS	55	
6	SUPPORT THIS HYPOTHESIS	52	
7	SUPPORTED THE HYPOTHESIS	43	
8	SUPPORTING THE HYPOTHESIS	29	
9	TESTING THE HYPOTHESIS	26	
10	REJECT THE HYPOTHESIS	22	
11	TESTED THIS HYPOTHESIS	21	

#### Conclusion

- 1. Production / presentation: vital for fluency
- 2. Learners often failing to observe collocations → Scaffolding
- 3. Training of observing collocations
- 4. Use of collocation-based glossaries

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