

WHAT IS TEACHING?

- ✓ Teaching can be said as a process of telling or showing someone how to do something either through talking, telling, explaining and showing, illustrating and demonstrating. The something is either content, facts, skills and processes.
- ✓ In teaching process, the teacher and the learner must be present

For effective teaching to occur, a series of steps need to be followed by the teacher. Such as;

1. Consultations of the syllabus
 2. Choice of topics to teach
 3. Interpretations of the objectives
 4. Selections of the teaching methods
 5. Selections of resource materials
 6. Actual class interpretation of the lesson.
- ✓ “Teaching is an intimate contact between a more mature personality and less mature one which is designed to further the education of the latter.” **H.C. Morrison (1934)**
 - ✓ “Teaching means many different things, that teaching act varies from person to person and from situation to situation.” **(Bar 1961)**
 - ✓ “The behavioral activities of a person as they go about doing whatever is required of teachers particularly those activities which are concerned with the guidance or direction of learning of others.” **(Ryan, 1965)**
 - ✓ “Teaching is the arrangement of contingencies of reinforcement under which students learn. They learn without teaching in their natural environment, but teachers arrange special contingencies which expedite learning and hastening the appearance of behavioural which would otherwise be acquired slowly or making scene of the appearance of behaviour which might never occur.” **(B.F. Skinner. 1968)**

✓ “Teaching is an act of interpersonal influence aimed at changing the ways in which other persons can or will behave” (*N.L. Gage, 196*)

Teaching can therefore be said as a process of imparting knowledge or skill.