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The main objective of this study was to see whether or not teaching grammar through task-based approach is effective. To this end, the total of 60 students were randomly selected from two grade-11 classes. Thirty of them formed the study group and the remaining thirty students formed the control group. Then the pre-test was given to both groups to measure whether there was significant difference between previous performances of the sample students. Following the pre-test results, the study group and the control group were taught two grammar items (relative clauses and cleft sentences) through taskbased approach and the grammar-translation method respectively. After five weeks training, a communicative grammar post-test was conducted for both groups.

Descriptive statistics and independent samples t-test were used to compute and analyze the post-test results of the two groups. The results revealed that the study group outperformed the control group significantly (p < 0.05).