

# TEACHER TRAINING SESSIONS

Macmillan Education

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## 1. KEY TRENDS IN ELT

*In this session we will take a closer look at Digital transformation, Gamifying homework, Social and Emotional learning and some other current trends.*

## 2. AN ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO TEACHING PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

*In the seminar we will discuss how to teach very young children successfully. Key issues addressed will include the role of stories, the importance of home-school connect and how to manage classes of very young children effectively.*

## 3. TEACHING GRAMMAR COMMUNICATIVELY

*In this session you will learn why teaching grammar is essential for language learning, what 'Communicative Language Teaching' is and how not to teach grammar. We will also discuss a possible framework for teaching grammar.*

## 4. MORE THAN WORDS. DEVELOPING VOCABULARY SKILLS

*In this session we will look at key principles of introducing new vocab, activating schemata and some practical tips of retaining vocabulary.*

## 5. OPTIMISE YOUR CAMBRIDGE EXAM PREPARATION

*In this session we will focus on how to prepare our teen students for Cambridge exams in a motivating manner, but with a clear awareness of what is required to achieve exam success. Attention is given to practical ideas which optimise engagement and learning.*

## 6. HOW TO HELP LEARNERS WITH THEIR SPEAKING FOR EXAMS AND BEYOND

*This session considers the importance of pre-task planning in classroom speaking activities and looks at research evidence of how this can result in significantly increased fluency, complexity and grammatical accuracy. We will look at how a planning stage can be integrated into a speaking activity.*

## 7. PUTTING TESTS TO TEST

*School (even online) cannot exist without assessment. We need to test students for diagnostic purposes, but 'traditional' tests are far from perfect. This is where formative assessment comes to rescue. It creates a learner-friendly environment. In this webinar we will explore the basics of formative assessment and know some practical tips for an everyday classroom.*

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# MACMILLAN EDUCATION WINTER FAIR

**THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**10 AM & 5 PM UK TIME**

## WINTER FAIR PROGRAMME

**10:00-10:40 & 17:00-17:40**

**It's Quiz Time! by David Spencer**

*Quizzes are the perfect way to test your students' knowledge, but in a relaxed and entertaining way. This highly practical session will aim to show just how instructive, flexible and motivating quizzes can be, both in class and online.*

**10:45-11:20 & 17:45-18:20**

**Theatrical Folklore in ESL by Sirhajwan Idek & Nurazilah Othman**

*This session will delve into three types of theatrical performances that can be incorporated into English language lessons: reader's theatre, puppetry and animated tales. The audience will be able to watch some snippets of students' performance videos.*

**11:25-11:55 & 18:25-18:55**

**Creating emotional awareness through Process Drama  
in the ELT classroom by Alicja Gałazka**

*In the talk you can learn what process drama is and how it can be used successfully in the ELT classroom for stimulating language and emotional skills in the safe fictional context.*

**12:00-12:30 & 19:00-19:30**

**Finding Your Feet: Gaining Practical Confidence  
to Push the Desks Back by Ben Crystal**

*An inspiring, practical masterclass with actor, author, and creative producer, Ben Crystal. In the face of austerity, creative spaces are among the first to be lost, and nurturing artistic expression is even more difficult when obscured by classroom architecture. "Pushing the desks back" clears the way to activate the dramatic instrument - the body and voice become free to move and play.*



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# ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

## David Spencer

After studying languages at Oxford University, David Spencer trained to be a Secondary School teacher. He then moved to Spain where he has been living and teaching ever since. He continues to teach teenage students every day in a school near Madrid. Dave began writing courses for Macmillan Education in 1994. His brand new series for teenagers is a multi-level course designed to prepare teenage students for exams and life after school. Dave has given talks to teachers in twenty-eight countries and is active on social media.

## Sirhajwan Idek

Sirhajwan Idek has been teaching English language at Keningau Vocational College, Sabah, Malaysia, since 2012. He earned his bachelor's degree, master's degree and PhD from Universiti Teknologi Mara in English language education. He won SEAMEO-Australia Education Links in 2018 and was a top 10 finalist in Commonwealth Class Story Writing in 2016, as well as being the 2021 Winner of Macmillan Education's Simon Greenall Award.

## Nurazilah Othman

Nurazilah Othman is an English language teacher at Keningau Vocational College, Sabah, Malaysia and she graduated from Universiti Teknologi Mara with bachelor's degree in Teaching English as Second Language (TESL) in early 2000s. She has been recognized by the state education department for her contribution in performing arts, as well as being the 2021 Winner of Macmillan Education's Simon Greenall Award.

## Alicja Gałązka

A psychotherapist, psychologist, linguist, a licenced coach and international master trainer. A President of ICI (International Coaching Institute) in Poland. An academic teacher, researcher, works at the University of Silesia in Poland and is a head of the Language Centre FUTURE in Poland. She is an author of over 300 articles published in Polish and English and an author of own method of teaching languages through drama Future Learning System based on cognitive and positive psychology and process drama. An author of recently published book "Process drama for second language teaching and learning-a toolkit for developing language and life skills". A coordinator and participant of many international projects. Coordinator of two SIGs: Psychology in ELT and Drama in ELT in IATEFL Poland.

## Ben Crystal

Ben Crystal is an actor, author, producer, educator, & explorer of Shakespeare, based in Wales. The curator of the ShakespeareEnsemble.com, he has collaborated with Shakespeare's Globe, the British Council, and the British Library. He is the author of Shakespeare On Toast: Getting a Taste for the Bard, which was short-listed for the Educational Writer of the Year Award 2010, as well as the Springboard Shakespeare series. With his father David Crystal he is co-author of the Oxford Illustrated Dictionary of Shakespeare, shortlisted for the 2016 Educational Writer of the Year Award. He tweets from @bencrystal and is online at [www.bencrystal.com](http://www.bencrystal.com)

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