

Creativity in the classroom

2 weeks – 33 hours' course content – 11 hours of workshops and talks - full social programme
Erasmus + funding available



This course will refresh and renew your classroom practice and language skills and give you the tools and strategies to increase creativity for you and your students. Gain new ideas and learn how to adapt your English lessons creatively as well as how to develop your students' own creativity. You will experience a wide variety of activities, share ideas with teachers from all over the world and create your own activities tailored to your context. You will also develop your English language skills and intercultural awareness in a safe, friendly and international environment.

This course is for:

- Practising teachers of English who are working at **secondary level** or with **adults**.
- Participants with an **upper-intermediate (B2)** language level or above.
- Teachers who want to **refresh** their teaching and **liven up** the classroom experience for their students.
- Teachers who want to improve the **motivation** and **engagement** of their students.



What you will gain by attending the course:

- A broader understanding of the conditions and strategies under which creativity develops and of how teachers can encourage creative thinking in the EFL classroom.
- An increased capacity to plan lessons and teach grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation and the four skills in engaging and motivating ways, applying techniques and strategies that develop creativity
- Techniques and activities for improving motivation and engagement in your learners
- Greater ability to select, design, and use materials that foster creativity in learners
- Development of linguistic skills and intercultural awareness
- A network of fellow professionals from different cultures and backgrounds with whom you can share ideas and best practice

Course content

This course will cover some or all of the following topics:

- Creativity: the what, why and how
- Strategies for developing creativity: simplicity, combinational creativity, playfulness and risk taking
- Creative warmers
- Motivating the unmotivated
- Technology and the Creative Teacher
- Teaching grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation creatively
- Language games
- Using art and drawing
- Drama techniques
- Alternative methodologies
- Creative writing
- Materials design
- Bringing the course book to life
- Using music and songs
- Storytelling

Please note that each course we run is tailored by our expert tutors to the professional needs and priorities of the group so content may be adapted to best suit the needs of your group.

Location



This course will take place at **Bell Teacher Campus** in **Cambridge**, based at **Homerton College** which is part of the **University of Cambridge**. Homerton College is an outstandingly beautiful college in secluded wooded grounds with easy access to Cambridge town centre. It has first-class learning and social facilities. Half-board accommodation is available in single en-suite rooms on site. The training staff at Bell Teacher Campus are all highly qualified and include published authors, materials writers and conference speakers. Afternoons entail a conference style approach with participants able to join an interesting variety of workshops, cultural talks and a special plenary lecture each week from a prominent
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