



## Teaching young learners (primary)

2 weeks – face to face

Whether you want to come to Cambridge for the full Bell Teacher Academy experience or prefer to join us online from where you are, both options are available to you. This course is offered as face to face or online. Please note that face to face and online courses are run separately and may take place at different times. Please check our dates and fees for details.

### On-campus (face-to-face) participants enjoy:

- 15 hours' course content per week (30 total)
- 5.5 hours of workshops and talks per week\* (11 total)
- A full social programme

The sample face to face timetable can be found [here](#)

\*please note workshops and talks will be on a wide variety of subjects with broad appeal to participants on all Bell Teacher Academy courses and are not specific to this course.

### Course summary

This is a practical course that focuses on best practice for teaching English to young learners (aged 5-11). Participants will learn about effective language teaching methodologies and techniques that will increase the engagement and motivation of learners. This course is taught in a practical way, through discussions, group work and interactive tasks allowing participants to experience new techniques, share ideas and practice applying new techniques in a creative and supportive environment.

#### This course is for:

- Practising teachers of **English** who are working at **primary level** or below.
- Participants with an **intermediate (B1)** language level or above.
- Teachers who wish to refresh and broaden their knowledge of teaching techniques and methodologies for working with young learners.
- Teachers who want to further develop their proficiency in using English and feel more comfortable and confident using English in the classroom.

#### What you will gain by attending the course:



- Familiarity with the latest language teaching methodologies, classroom management skills and practical teaching techniques.
- An increased capacity to select, design, exploit and evaluate materials for young learners
- Strategies for improving motivation and engagement of young learners.
- Improved language competencies and confidence in using English in the classroom
- A greater intercultural awareness, including social, linguistic and cultural diversity and ability to foster intercultural awareness in your own classroom.
- Opportunities for post-course dissemination of good practice and promotion of innovative teaching to other teachers at local, national and international level.

## **Course content**

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

- Using natural classroom language
- Effective ways to introduce and practise new vocabulary
- Teaching phonics and literacy
- Making grammar fun
- Using songs and games
- Techniques for teaching pronunciation to young learners
- Using stories
- Planning effective lessons
- Adapting the coursebook
- Developing a positive, inclusive, working atmosphere that stimulates and encourages the children to reach their full potential



## Location

The face to face course will take place at **Bell Teacher Academy** in **Cambridge**, based at **Bell Cambridge School**. The Bell Cambridge campus is located in quiet and beautiful grounds with easy access to Cambridge town centre. It has first-class learning and social facilities. 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 speaker.



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