

CREATIVITY IN THE CLASSROOM

This course is for experienced teachers of English.

Participants should be at Common European Framework level B2

Location: Cambridge

Dates: 30-07 / 12-08 2017

Course outcomes

- 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
- Improvement of learner engagement to support retention of learners in educational contexts
- Greater ability to select, design, and use materials that foster creativity in learners
- A greater intercultural awareness, including social, linguistic and cultural diversity
- Opportunities to promote innovative teaching and practice to other teachers at local and national level
- Development of linguistic skills and intercultural awareness
- Enhancement of international cooperation and development in education

Course aims

The course will refresh and renew participants' teaching as they explore strategies for becoming more creative, new ideas and new possibilities to liven up their classroom practice. It will help both teachers and their students become more creative in English.

Course programme

This course will cover some or all of the following topics, depending on participants' professional needs and priorities, and their teaching context:

- ✓ 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 creatively
- ✓ Teaching vocabulary creatively
- ✓ Teaching 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

Accommodation

Cambridge: Residential accommodation at Homerton College. All meals included.