Teaching English with Technology (TECH)

Preparation

A preparation pack is sent to participants on enrolment. Before the start of the course, participants will be asked to complete a pre-course questionnaire and a pre-course task which will enable the trainers to focus more specifically on the exact needs of the participants - the attached timetable, therefore, shows a sample programme for this course. The trainers will review the pre-course task on the first day of the course.

Objectives

The course is designed for all teachers of English who wish to integrate, explore and develop the use of technology in language teaching.

The aim of the course is to:

- develop participants' awareness of how technology can support language learning
- □ look at how technology can be integrated into teaching
- equip participants with practical and engaging ideas they can use in their classrooms
- enable teachers to learn about technology through experimentation with various tech tools
- improve participants confidence in using technology in their classes and their digital literacy
- develop participants' own English language skills and refresh their approach to teaching English

Methodology

Input will be provided in a variety of ways (including seminars and practical workshops, trainer summaries and demo lessons) that take account of the course participants' different learning preferences and styles. The starting point is the participants' existing pedagogical knowledge. Participants will be encouraged to share their own ideas and experience, and develop networks with participants from other countries.

The course includes two 'challenges' which are simulated teaching tasks. In these challenges, teachers will be asked to meet a situation and make informed decisions about what tools and technology to use and why.

There will be opportunities throughout the course to exploit the UK context by collecting relevant authentic materials, making contact with native speakers and taking part in the school's social and cultural programme, and outings.

Follow up

Participants will be asked to regularly post to a blog during their course to reflect on the new ideas they have experienced and on how they will incorporate them into their teaching. Participants will write action plans, and follow up support is available via email and participants will be encouraged to report on their progress. A VLE will be set up for participants to collaborate online during and after the course.

KEY FACTS

2-week courses (Mon-Fri), 30 'lessons' x 45 minutes per week (22.5 hours per week) Maximum 12 participants per class

Minimum level: CEFR B1 Course fees: £700

Intermediate + registration fee £90

Course dates: TECH1 02/01/17 - 13/01/17 Accommodation: Homestay £140 pw TECH2 16/01/17 - 27/01/17 Hotels from £60 pppn

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2017 - Sample timetable

WEEK 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
9.00 - 10.30	Welcome to the school, briefing and orientation Introduction to course	Reading and Writing (online) Genre Analysis: New e- genres	Vocab and grammar (teaching with technology)	Listening / speaking: Visual and multimodal literacy / activities with video / audio	Pronunciation apps and websites		
10.30 – 11.00	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK		
11.00 - 12.30	NA – understanding digital literacies, 21 st century skills and needs. Developing evaluation criteria	Reading and Writing tools and apps	Vocabulary and grammar teaching apps and tools	Creating and using video / audio content Podcasts / videos	Screencasts: why, how, when		
12.30 - 13.30	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK		
13.30 - 15.00	History, Overview, key terms Web 1.0, 2.0 & 3.0 How will using technology improve learning?	Reading / writing workshop	Vocabulary / Writing workshop	Video / audio workshop	Developing and engaging with the PLN – social media and social learning		
AFTERNOON	Optional social and cultural programme and / or supervised self-study						
EVENING	20:00 Welcome evening (optional)	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE		

WEEK 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
9.00 - 10.30	Tech Challenge 1	Tablets / The i-pad Apps and opportunities	Handheld mobile technology – class activities using the phone	Tech challenge 2	Synchronous / asynchronous 'communication		
10.30 - 11.00	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK		
11.00 - 12.30	Tech Challenge 1	Creating digital presentations	The flipped classroom/ enhancing existing (course) material	Tech challenge 2	Consolidation, questions, take away Evaluations, reviews. Action plans.		
12.30 - 13.30	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK		
13.30 - 15.00	Feedback	Digital presentation workshop	Project based learning: managing and organising	Feedback	Action plan, course review, evaluation & feedback		
AFTERNOON	Optional social and cultural programme and / or supervised self-study						
EVENING	FREE	FREE	FREE	20.00 Farewell Party	FREE		

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