

Engaging the Modern Learner: Practical Approaches for Secondary Language Teachers

2 weeks – face to face or online

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

Online participants enjoy:

• 15 hours' course content per week – taught synchronously via Zoom (30 hours total)

The sample online 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 12-17). Participants will learn about effective language teaching methodologies and techniques that will increase the engagement and motivation of teenage 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 secondary level or with young adults.
- Participants with an **upper-intermediate (B2)** language level or above.
- Teachers who wish to refresh and broaden their knowledge of teaching techniques and methodologies for working with teenagers and young adults.
- 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.
- Strategies for motivating and engaging your students.
- Improved language competencies and confidence in using English in the classroom
- Greater intercultural awareness
- The chance to share ideas with teachers from around the world and build your own international teaching support network.
- Renewed inspiration, motivation and a sense of purpose for the new school year!

Course content

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

- Using natural classroom language
- Teaching grammar creatively and communicatively
- Effective ways to teach vocabulary and record and recycle new language
- Giving effective feedback
- Improving teacher's pronunciation and techniques for teaching pronunciation
- Latest approaches to teaching listening, reading, speaking and writing
- Planning and implementing inspiring activities
- Addressing the different needs of your learners
- Developing a positive, inclusive, working atmosphere that stimulates and encourages students 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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