



CREATIVE METHODOLOGY FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS FULL DESCRIPTION OF TRAINING CONTENTS

- * Welcome Information
- * Programme Handbook
- * Pre-course Reading List
- * Participants will be asked to complete a detailed questionnaire prior to arrival indicating their level of experience and the ages and nationalities of the learners they have taught.

The Creative Programme is designed for teachers who want to energise their teaching and share lesson ideas and activities with other teachers from around the world.

Because of the constraints of time, not all methodologies will be covered in detail. References however will be made to most of the latest methodologies. The focus of this course will be **Active Learning and Participative Learning Methodologies**.

After the course, participants will be able to design lessons and activities that are motivating, challenging and effective.

The course is hands-on and interactive, enabling participants to be fully immersed in the subject matter. **Trainer-led sessions** use the techniques and approaches being discussed so that the practical application of methods can be experienced within the programme. This is supported by in-depth **discussion group work**.

Participants will **build up a bank of ideas** to take back to their countries. Throughout the course, participants will be encouraged to **experiment** and **think "outside the box"**.

The programme includes the opportunity to **visit a state school** and observe lessons, taught by experienced teachers, followed by discussions.

Participants will return to their home countries with renewed enthusiasm for their profession. They will also receive:

- * Contact details of tutors and colleagues to facilitate ongoing development and exchange of ideas
- * Details of a discussion portal to share ideas with other European Teachers
- * A Feedback Questionnaire evaluating the course and ideas collected during the programme
- * A Bibliography of suggested further reading matter

PROGRAMME OF THE TRAINING ACTIVITIES (DAY BY DAY)

Time: 9am-12pm & 1-3pm

WEEK ONE

Day 1: Methodologies and Creativity In The Classroom

- *Effectiveness of Received Methodologies
- *Creativity- Definition and The Main Principles
- *How To Get Your Students Creative
- *'The Dark Matter In The Classroom'-The Value of Unpredictability

Day 2: Current Trends In Education

- *The 5 C's
- *From Teacher-Centred to Student-Centred Classroom
- *From Product-Centred To Process-Centred Teaching
- * Collaborative, Experiential and Dialogic Teaching and Learning
- *Teacher and Student Role In The Modern Classroom
- * Cross-Curricular, Holistic And Socio-Cultural Teaching. Making Links Explicit

Day 3: Active Learning and Participative Teaching Methodologies

- *Introduction to Project and Task-Based Learning TBL
- *TBL cycle
- *Effectiveness of TBL
- *How Can TBL & PBL Be Used Across The Curriculum

Day 4: British Culture and an educational field trip ☺

To be negotiated with participants

Day 5: Neuro-Linguisitic Programming (NLP), Creativity and Motivational Issues

- *Ways of encouraging learners to think
- *How To Boost Learner Motivation And Goal Setting. Methods And Principles For Increasing Motivation.
- *Recognising different learning styles and adapting your teaching to different needs
- *Introduction to Neuro-Linguistic Programming(NLP)
- *NLP - helping learners overcome limiting beliefs and improve learner effectiveness

WEEK TWO

Day 1: *Creative Teaching Strategies and Techniques*

- * Variety In The Classroom
- * Getting Students To Do More
- * Creative Ways Of Presenting Subject Matter
- * The Flipped Classroom

Day 2: *British Culture and an educational field trip* ☺

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Day 3: *Learning for the Future: Developing Autonomy And Self-Directed Learning*

- * The three A's: Awareness, Assessment and Autonomy
- * Reflective Learning
- * Learner autonomy and study skills
- * How to promote Learner Autonomy
- * Student motivation and Learner training

Day 4: *Technology In The Classroom*

- * Role of ICT in Learning And Using ICT In Education
- * New Trends and Emerging Methodologies Which Involve the Use Of Technology
- * ICT Tools To Promote Collaborative Learning
- * ICT Tools For Assessment

Day 5: *School Visit- Different Educational Systems In Europe*

- * Understanding The Different Systems Of Education In Europe
- * End-Of –Course Reflections and Evaluation