# **Successfully Meeting the Needs of Beginner EAL Learners in the Secondary Classroom**

## **Practical Strategies for Teaching and** Learning

Students new to learning English join the school system at different ages and it is essential that schools have in place procedures and approaches to meet the needs of these EAL learners. In the classroom, teachers are expected to ensure that their planning makes provision for those new to learning English, a key focus for inspectors when judging learning and progress in a

This one day course will offer teachers a practical approach to support the learning of all new arrivals with EAL. Delegates will learn how to use a range of strategies and resources to promote both language and subject specific development of beginner bilinguals.

#### Who should attend?

This course would be suitable for teachers who are new to working with beginner bilinguals and who want to develop their expertise in this area.

#### Inputs will include:

- Successfully Identifying the Needs of Early Stage Learners of English
- Effectively Using Students' First Language as a
- Entertively Using Students First Language as a Tool for Learning
   Empowering Students by Drawing on their Expertise: Successfully Using the "Expert Other"
   Building Vocabulary at Word and Sentence Level: Hints, Tips and Guidance
- Successfully Developing Talk for Learning in Your Classroom
- Using Collaborative Learning to Engage Students New to English: A Practical Session
   Evaluating Your Strategies and Identifying New Techniques: A Personal Audit
- Top Tips for Teaching Students New to English



### Programme

Arrival, registration & coffee
Welcome and Introduction
Diversity and Complexity: Implications for the
Secondary Classroom

• Who are Beginner Bilinguals?
• Successfully Identifying the Needs of Early
Stage Learners of English
• Getting to Grips with the Theory behind FAI 9:30 10:00

- Getting to Grips with the Theory behind EAL Pedagogy
  Creating a Positive Climate for Learning
- 10:40
  - Effectively Using Students' First Language as a Tool for Learning
  - Activating and Building Upon Prior Knowledge
  - Empowering Students by Drawing on their Expertise: Successfully Using the Expert Other

11:30 **Coffee** 

#### 11:50 Visuals Alone are Not Enough

- Building Vocabulary at Word and Sentence Level: Hints, Tips and Guidance
- Scaffolding Language and Learning in Context: Strategies for Success
- Successfully Developing Talk for Learning in Your Classroom
- 1:00 Restaurant Lunch
- Using Collaborative Learning to Engage Students New to English: A Practical Session 2:00
  - Evaluating Your Strategies and Identifying New Techniques: A Personal Audit
  - Effectively Using Activities to Engage, Include and Reflect Your Students
  - Useful Resources to Support and Promote Student Progress
- 3:25 Top Tips for Teaching Students New to
- 3:45 Evaluation and close of course

### About the tutor

Sofia Ali is a freelance education consultant who provides advice, training and consultancy on working with refugees and new arrivals for local authorities and schools. Formerly the National Strategies consultant for the New Arrivals Excellence Programme (NAEP), Sofia works with schools to develop classroom practice to engage, include and empower pupils who have English as an additional language.

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Special requirements

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