

Challenging the Most Able Students in MFL

This course will provide practical ideas and suggestions for teachers who wish to evaluate their approach to teaching the most able students in MFL. It will look at the importance of incorporating higher order thinking skills into lessons and provide practical ideas to achieve this, as well as demonstrating easy strategies to adapt existing tasks for the most able.

Delegates will examine the role of creativity to motivate and inspire and consider how it can be used to make spoken and written work more challenging and fulfilling. The course will examine the key role played by AfL in encouraging able pupils to become independent learners. Delegates will also take away ideas on how to use marking and feedback effectively in lessons.

Aims of the course are to:

- Examine higher order thinking skills and how to apply them to teaching the most able in MFL

Programme

9:30	Arrival, registration and coffee	2:00	Planning and using AfL to stretch able pupils
10:00	Welcome & introduction		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflecting on our use of language with the most able - how to increase their involvement • Modelling oral feedback for pupils to enable them to support one another effectively • Practical ideas for using peer assessment to develop the most able
	Higher order thinking skills		The role of marking and feedback to enable pupils to make rapid progress
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is meant by higher order thinking skills? • How to make listening and reading tasks more challenging • Ideas for short, snappy activities with a challenging twist 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas on setting appropriate tasks and the importance of success criteria • Using different marking strategies. • Suggestions on how to use written feedback and self assessment effectively in class.
11:15	Coffee		
11:30	Creativity as a tool to challenge the most able		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is meant by creativity in MFL? • Practical ideas to make oral work more creative. • Ideas to take away to show pupils writing is fun and creative and definitely not boring! 	3:45	Evaluation and close of course
1:00	Restaurant Lunch		

About the tutor



Alex Blagona is Language College Coordinator at a High School in Suffolk and is a teacher of French and German, with 7 years as Head of Department.

In addition to teaching, Alex has delivered training courses nationwide and has worked as a conference speaker for the ALL and at The Language Show, as well as running the Gifted

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He is a recognised authority on the effective use of ICT and new technologies with Gifted and Talented students in Languages.

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