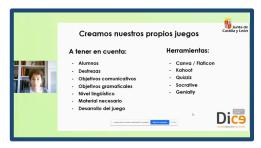


On Saturday the 28th of November, the Spanish Embassy Education Office, along with Junta de Castilla y León, held the last of the free online workshops for teachers of Spanish in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Nearly 200 Spanish language teachers enjoyed three extremely interesting workshops under a common theme "Oral communication through games".



The starting point was the workshop "Boost your Spanish lessons with games to practise speaking". It set a very clear framework on how important games are when trying to increase students' motivation. Leticia Borrallo from Dice Salamanca shared some truly engaging

activities: storytelling, board and interactive games, gamification strategies, etc. She also provided the participants with some tools and ideas on how to create their own games.

The second presentation, led by Graziella Fantini from Centro Internacional Antonio Machado, introduced a new and interesting topic "Oral practice through painting". It focused on the use of famous paintings to foster oral expression, which certainly brings



culture to life in the classroom. She presented a really interesting project which included numerous tools and teaching tips to incorporate arts into the Spanish language lessons.



Finally, Cristina Pérez from Letra Hispánica, dazzled the audience with an exceptionally interesting presentation called "Teaching and learning of cultural content through oral games". The core of her presentation was how to design striking and motivating online

games which foster oral expression. She showed the audience excellent tools to bring together culture and all four skills while emphasising the didactic uses of technology.

All three workshops were praised by the participants who shared live how they had truly enjoyed the content of the presentations, gained strategies to foster oral expression in the Spanish classroom through games and actively incorporated new ideas into their teaching practice.



The Spanish Embassy Education Office will soon announce the offer of new free and quality workshops for the upcoming months, so stay tuned! ¡Hasta pronto!



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