

2021 British Council Online Teacher Takeaway Events Series in Collaboration with the China English Teacher Professional Teachers Association (ETA)

2021 英国文化教育协会与英语教师学术联盟(ETA)联合在线工作坊

Teacher Takeaways:

Practical ideas for classroom teaching

Dates: 16th Sep; 28th Sep; 12th Oct; 14th Oct 2021

Time: 16.00-17.00 (China time) / 09.00-10.00 (UK time)

Medium: Zoom Webinar

Language: English

Audience: Primary and Secondary English language teachers



The Concept

The 'Teacher Takeaway' concept looks to provide an opportunity for sharing practical ideas from both international and local perspectives that enhance English teaching in the classroom. The term 'takeaway' refers to something, whether it be a concept, activity or technique, that teachers can directly take from the event and use in their own classrooms. The series will present ideas from international perspectives and contexts, with trainers from different countries presenting their classroom ideas on different topic areas for the audience to 'take away.'

The Model

The proposed 'Teacher Takeaway' model involves <u>4 x 1-hour webinar events</u> (See Fig.1) that are open to teachers from around China and internationally. These events are held in collaboration with the China English Teacher Professional Teachers Association (ETA). Each event will last for one hour, with approximately 45 minutes of presentation followed by 10 - 15 minutes of Q and A through online chat functionality.

Fig. 1



Overview of Series

The topic areas are based on the suggested needs of Chinese and international teachers. The key component is that teachers have techniques, games, ideas or activities they can "take away" and apply in direct or adapted form.

Webinar	Time & Date	Suggested title (s)	Presenter (s)
1	16.00-17:00 Thu 16 th Sep 2021	Adapting and experimenting with tasks to encourage thinking skills in classroom tasks	Fraser Bewick, Consultant Trainer, English for Education Systems, British Council China
2	16.00-17:00 Tue 28 th Sep 2021	Reviewing lesson objectives, structure and task design to help plan varied and effective lessons	Fraser Bewick, Consultant Trainer, English for Education Systems, British Council China
3	16.00-17:00 Tue 12 th Oct 2021	Teaching listening	Robin Skipsey, Academic Manager, English for Education Systems, British Council
4	16.00-17:00 Thu 14 th Oct 2021	Using product and process approaches to teach writing effectively	Davide Guarini Gilmartin, Academic Manager, English for Education Systems, British Council

Presenters

Fraser Bewick, Academic Consultant, English for Education Systems, British Council China



Fraser Bewick has 18 years' experience of English language teaching, training and consultancy in areas of ELT and English-medium Higher Education in the China context. Fraser has worked across both private and public Chinese education sectors and has participated in and managed education projects for the British Council in Guizhou, Yunnan, Jiangxi, and numerous other provinces. He was also the lead foreign author and consultant for the PEP Primary textbook series currently used in public schools across China.

Robin Skipsey, Academic Manager, English for Education Systems, British Council

Robin comes from Gillingham, in the south east of England. He studied French Language and European History at the University of East Anglia and lived and worked in the UK and France before moving to Japan in 2005, where he has been based ever since. He holds Cambridge CELTA and Cambridge DELTA teaching qualifications.

At the British Council, Robin worked on a long-running team-teaching programme in Tokyo, teaching large classes of primary and secondary students and developing teaching materials aligned to the national course of study. He also taught in a national university and on a variety of adult courses, including IELTS and Cambridge exam preparation classes.



Robin started his current role as Academic Manager in April 2013 and the following year oversaw the design, development and delivery of the Leaders of English Education Project (LEEP), a 5-year national teacher training initiative commissioned by the Japanese Ministry of Education which trained over 80,000 Elementary, Junior and Senior High School teachers across the country.

Currently Robin and his team are working on a collaboration with a major domestic publishing company to produce new ministry-approved English textbooks for upper secondary students.

Davide Guarini Gilmartin, Academic Manager, English for Education Systems, British Council

Davide Guarini Gilmartin is British Council Vietnam's English for Education Systems (EES) Academic Manager. He is a teacher educator with more than 22 years of experience. He has



been living in Hanoi, Vietnam since 1999 and has worked with British Council since 2003. He holds a BA (Honours) in Town & Country Planning, a Trinity Certificate TESOL and a Cambridge DELTA. He has extensive experience of teacher development projects across East Asia, having designed and delivered numerous courses and workshops for British Council projects in China, Indonesia, Myanmar, Peru, Thailand, and Vietnam. He also has experience as an IELTS examiner and a Cambridge ESOL Oral Examiner Team Leader. Prior to entering the education sector, he spent eight years working in the UK local government sector as an urban and policy planner.

Registration

To register your attendance for the webinar series, please click the link below or scan the QR code. An email with registration confirmation and joining instruction will be sent to you once you are successfully registered.

1) Webinar #1, 16.00-17.00, 16th September

Adapting and experimenting with tasks to encourage thinking skills in classroom tasks, by Fraser Bewick

https://BritishCouncil.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GT-9hDz8RGah6B-D73NEsw



2) Webinar #2, 16.00-17.00, 28th September

Reviewing lesson objectives, structure and task design to help plan varied and effective lessons, by Fraser Bewick

https://BritishCouncil.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VrmpQH-US-W6rZ4loGICDg



Official website of the webinar series

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