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Workshop Number 12

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Friday and Saturday

Language: English

*Generating Ideas for Different Domains of Writing
Teaching Writing in English in the Upper Primary
Years*

Workshop Description

This presentation will focus on Pre-writing, the first step of the Writing Process. Various strategies of how teachers can stimulate the creative thinking process will be suggested. Teachers will be provided with practical tips on how to use concrete writing strategies to stimulate and translate ideas into writing. Practical strategies on how to introduce and develop different domains of writing across the curriculum will also be discussed. Participants will be involved in hands-on tasks that can be adapted to support literacy and creativity concepts advocated by our National Curriculum. The workshops will include time for discussion and sharing of ideas and techniques. Above all, the presentation material will provide teachers with some necessary resources to make writing in the classroom become alive and thus more meaningful to their pupils.

Bio-note

Josephine V. Saliba B.A. P.G.C.E. (History) graduated in the field of Secondary teaching. Her main area of experience lies in Primary school teaching, TEFL and Basic English Skills. She spent three years working within the Foundation for Educational Services. As Programme Co-ordinator, she worked with reluctant learners as well as gifted children. She was actively involved in the setting up of after-school family literacy programmes and a Young Writers' Club for children and their parents. Her special interest is the inclusion of storytelling, drama and I.T. in teaching methodology and has been involved in writing and producing educational television and radio programmes. In 2001, she participated in the First Malta Writing Workshop and has since had her poetry published by the International Library of Poetry, U.S.A. In July 2002 she completed her Advanced Writing Workshop course. She is currently lecturing within the Basic Skills Unit at the Malta College for Arts, Science and Technology and reading for an MSc in Educational Leadership with the University of Leicester, U.K.