



Workshop Number 5

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Friday and Saturday

Language: Maltese

TEACHING FOR REVISING IN THE UPPER PRIMARY: communication through writing

Workshop Description

Why revise? Usually the term 'Revision' is not easily accepted by children. At times this happens because revision does not really take place. Participants will thus have the opportunity to have a hands-on experience of such an important stage in the Writing Process. During the workshop they will grasp the concept of Revision by expressing themselves on paper, by sharing ideas and by implementing revision strategies. The ultimate aim of this workshop is to make participants aware of the difference between Revision and Editing. Furthermore they will come to understand the necessary ingredients needed to make a beautiful, complete piece of writing that is easily understood and enjoyed by the targeted audience.

Bio-note

Joanne Mifsud B.Ed (Hons.) is currently a primary school teacher. Her teaching experience has instilled in her a thirst to know more about the writing phenomenon. She was a participant in the Second Writing Workshop held in November 2001. After implementing the Writing Process with her students, Joanne decided to widen her studies about the subject. During the month of June 2002, she attended an advanced course about the Writing Process. Such knowledge and experience led to other opportunities. Joanne soon formed part of the staff of the Foundation for Educational Services as an Id f'Id Animator. She reached out to various communities through local councils and other NGOs. She worked closely with Education Officers, Headteachers, teachers, parents and children. She facilitated many workshops in different schools in Malta. She was also an active participant in many seminars and conferences related both to the Writing Process and the National Minimum Curriculum.