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Workshop Number 3

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Friday and Saturday

Language: Maltese

A good Introduction

Workshop Description

The introduction of a composition is like the trailer of a movie chosen and carefully selected to attract the audience. If such movie clips evoke a good feeling on the part of the viewer, then most often one would book a cinema seat for the viewing of the movie right away. The secret for this anticipating and unique “introduction” to the movie may be discovered by a technique: the technique of asking questions. But one may ask: “What kind of questions?” They are questions that elicit details, which would make the viewer identify with the actors, live the action and situate oneself in the plot of the movie. These strategies are going to be the focus of this workshop applied to weave sentences together and write up an interesting introduction.

Participants of this workshop would learn about new strategies and techniques to be able to write introductions that they never came up with before. This workshop would provide key elements needed to write better and exceptional introductions. Eager participants would see positive and encouraging results right away.

Bio-note

Miriam Galea B.A. (Philosophy, Sociology, Social Work), P.G.C.E. has been in the teaching profession since 1992. She is a fully qualified tutor of the Young Writers Club hosted at the University Gozo Centre. In June 2002 she participated in the Third Invitational Writing Institute organised by the Malta Writing Programme (MWP) and two years later followed the Advanced Course. Miriam has led workshops for student teachers, teachers and parents. In June 2005 she was trained and qualified to co-ordinate MWP services in Gozo by introducing and tutoring the first Parents’ Writers Programme in Gozo. Mrs Galea has also tutored and facilitated Courses for Parenting Skills organised by Sedqa. She has also worked as Project Organiser with the Social Welfare Development Programme and had been actively involved in setting up a shelter home for families of Domestic Violence, co-ordinated social services in Gozo, and organized courses for health professionals and volunteers of various NGOs in the social work sector based on a continuous research with pioneers of different NGOs on the island. Mrs Galea also worked as social worker with families in difficulties, children in residential homes and disabled persons.

At present she is pursuing a Masters Degree in Education and is carrying out her research related to Citizenship Education during which period she has also visited and participated in lectures at the Bristol University of the West of England and participated in an international conference with the theme: “Citizenship: an Educational Challenge”