

10:00 - 10:45

Takayuki Fujimoto, Masami Maeda
Positive Psychology in ESL: Motivation through imagination

Room 507

Positive Psychology has been getting attention in the field of ESL. Here we are introducing some classroom activities related to PERMA (Positive Emotion, Engagement, Relationship, Meaning, Accomplishment: Seligman, M. 2011) in various teaching settings.

Aimed at: Teachers of high school students

Materials promoted: None

Amy Long
How to Teach Effectively

Room 508

We all want our students to learn, progress and become independent, confident users of English. There are simple things that teachers can do with all activities (games, writing, reading, speaking) to ensure that students learn faster and better. You will learn the simple techniques we use in our lessons that help our students learn thoroughly, quickly and well.

Aimed at: Kindergarten and Elementary Teachers

Materials promoted: My English Book and Me, Dave and Amy Games and Flashcards

David Paul
Getting involved in ETJ and Language Teaching Professionals - Volunteering, Self-Publishing, Writing a Blog . .

Room 511

Would you like to help run a regional ETJ group, help organize next year's Expo, write a blog that many teachers will see, take a TESOL

certificate program, sell your self-developed teaching materials. . .? David Paul will discuss these questions and any other related questions you have.

Aimed at: All

Promoted: Language Teaching Professionals, ETJ

Natsuho Mizoguchi
Expectation vs reality in public schools

Room 512

We have expectations of how the English education systems in Japanese public schools are like. In this discussion-based presentation, we will explore the subject from the perspectives of English education university students who witnessed the gaps between expectations and reality.

Aimed at: Teachers of elementary and junior high school students, ALTs, education major university students

Materials promoted: None

Lawrence Hong
"Where's the LINE button on my phone?" Using LINE to improve your customer experience

Room 513

We want to communicate with as many students as possible, but what's the most efficient method? With LINE, you'll improve your customer experience while also reducing your work. Even if you're not tech savvy, you'll go away today with a basic understanding of how to use LINE in your own classroom.

Aimed at: School owners

Materials promoted: None

11:15 - 12:00

Peter Lackner
Get a (Better) Job in Japan

Room 507

Learn best practices for finding a job online, resume and cover letter tips, getting the attention and interest of the hiring manager, follow-up, etc. Implementing the advice at this session could make the difference in getting your next job.

Aimed at: Any foreigner looking for advice on finding a job, or better job, in Japan.

Materials promoted: JobsinJapan.com and ETJ Job Service will be mentioned

Scott Crowe
Learners Speaking Naturally (large class tips)

Room 508

Learn how to build songs, crafts and games into a flowing storyline that encourages children to speak naturally. This presentation is great for smaller classes too but the presenter will also show how to get kindergarten classes of 25-30 kids speaking more naturally. This presentation will change how you think about young children's ability to speak English.

Aimed at: Teachers of Children 3-6

Materials promoted: Jimmy's Magic House

Bob Jones
Bringing a bit of pop culture into the English class

Room 511

The presenter will demonstrate three activities he has used with his students. These will be based on: 1) the life story of a popular singer, 2) 10 questions based on a TV interview program, 3) a song with an important message for teenage girls.

Aimed at: Teachers of high school students, university students, adults

Materials promoted: None

Jeff Hodsdon
The More you Play the More you Learn: Learning Games for the EFL Classroom

Room 512

No matter your preferred employment resource, learn how to attract and hire better teachers. The session will explain best practices in hiring foreign teachers and where good schools are losing quality job candidates. Find out if you are making these mistakes in your hiring activities.

Aimed at: School owners and hiring managers

Materials promoted: JobsinJapan.com and ETJ Job Service will be mentioned

Jeremy Lanig
Need a Great FREE Phonics Program? Then Come Check Out BINGOBONIC PHONICS!

Room 513

BINGOBONIC Phonics is a 100% FREE phonics system that's fun, colorful, and great for getting students to learn reading and writing quickly. It's an 80-page program of worksheets which can easily be used with any other curriculum. We'll also check out some other BB Worksheets that kids love!

Aimed at: ESL/EFL teachers with students ages 2 - 12, school owners/operators

Materials promoted: Free worksheets, flashcards, & teaching resources by BINGOBONGO Learning

Eric Kane
The Reading Hump - Tips and Strategies to Make the Leap

Room 514

In our EFL environment, young learners often struggle acquiring the ability to read. It's easy to make assumptions that can frustrate our students...and us.

Aimed at: All

Materials promoted: Children

12:30 - 1:15

Satsuki McNeill, Eriko Mishima

Positive Psychology in ESL: Promoting interaction through collaborative activities

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Aimed at: Teachers of university students, adults

Materials promoted: None

Amy Long

Teaching Kindergarteners

Room 508

Teaching Kindergarteners should be easy and fun. But many find it daunting. We'll go through a simple lesson plan that can form the basis of all your kindergarten lessons. I'll show you how to most effectively use the games, flashcards, songs and texts that we use with our students at Dave and Amy English School.

Aimed at: Kindergarten Teachers

Materials promoted: My English Book and Me, Dave and Amy Games and Flashcards

David Paul

A complete course for Japanese elementary school children

Room 511

Many successful schools in Japan have attributed their success to using 'New Finding Out' for their elementary school classes, and the course has sold over 2 million copies. Come and see what distinguishes the course and why it is appropriate for Japanese children.

Aimed at: Teachers of elementary school children

Materials promoted: New Finding Out

Simon Moran

Stories, Songs, Pictures and Movement Engage the Brain

Room 512

Drawing on evidence-based studies Simon Moran looks at scientifically-proven classroom tactics, materials and approaches to get the

brain working and children learning English, naturally and easily, while having fun.

Aimed at: Pre-school and elementary ELL teachers.

Materials promoted: Happy Valley

Alastair Lamond

Input through a video-based platform to prepare for spoken output

Room 513

Designed by gaming experts in collaboration with teachers and neuroscientists, English Attack! is a fun, highly effective approach to learning English, with 1,300+ CEFR-based video lessons reinforced by 7 activities to enhance the student and teacher experience, allowing for controlled input that helps maximize speaking time with the teacher.

Aimed at: High School/University/Private Language School students

Materials promoted: English Attack

Guy Cih

High-Frequency Vocabulary Game for Smartphones - FREE

Room 514

Words & Monsters is a free mobile game for learning high-frequency vocabulary for General English, TOEIC, TOEFL, EIKEN, SAT, GRE, and other important subjects. The presenter will introduce the game and describe the specific benefits for students and teachers.

Aimed at: Primary, JHS, HS, University, and PLS teachers.

Materials promoted: Words and Monsters free smartphone app

Nic Kapper

Hints from a Growing Business

Room 515

Nic will give you some of his top in-classroom and business concepts that he attributes Eigo Day's expansion to. He'll prepare all he has and let attendees choose what will help them best.

Aimed at: Teachers of kindergarten and elementary students, School owners

Materials promoted: None

2:15 - 3:00

Peter Lackner

How to Hire More and Better Teachers

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Aimed at: School owners and hiring managers

Materials promoted: JobsinJapan.com and ETJ Job Service will be mentioned

Scott Crowe

Natural Speaking, Songs, and Writing Games

Room 508

Free materials provided. No need to sacrifice speaking ability to have in-class writing time. This presentation demonstrates how to connect songs, stories and games to the target language which can get young learners confidently using high frequency language in a natural way. Scott Crowe introduces new stories from a curriculum which utilizes a funny adventure story to get students more engaged in the content.

Aimed at: Teachers of Children Ages 6-10

Materials promoted: Ted's Magic Pad

Jo Ando

The Path to Fluency - Using A Digital Library

Room 511

Extensive reading and listening can help young learners of a second language with fluency. Reading, listening, comprehension, vocabulary, phonetic skills and general literacy are all important components

that help children become successful learners. This presentation will demonstrate how using a digital library inside and outside the ESL classroom can improve the speed that young learners develop fluency skills.

Aimed at: Teachers of elementary school children

Materials promoted: Highlights Library – Digital Reading Platform

Naoko Ashikawa

Teaching the Whole Child in Pre-Primary EFL Classes

Room 512

Young children learn best when their intellectual, social, and emotional needs are met. In this session, we'll discuss the how and why of teaching the "whole child" and experience classroom activities including stories and video material from Learn English with Dora the Explorer, a brand new pre-primary course from Oxford University Press.

Aimed at: Teachers of young learners (pre-primary & Primary)

Materials promoted: Learn English with Dora the Explorer

Leon Butchers

Learning and Fun with AGO Card Games!

Room 513

Playing cards can captivate children's curious and playful natures. Some games get great results with teenagers and adults, too! In this workshop, we will look at how cards can help deliver enjoyable and highly educational lessons. As well as playing some games, we will also look at considerations, tricks and techniques that teachers should employ for best result

Aimed at: All

Materials promoted: AGO Card Games

Yuichi Hasegawa

Output Activities in the classroom

Room 514

In this presentation he will show you an effective three-phase program for high school students starting in their first year that continues into their final year. Through this program students gained confidence and improved their school and national test scores.

Aimed at: Teachers of high school students

Materials promoted: None

Nate Gildart

Enhancing Student Voice With and Without Technology

Room 515

Moving more towards student-centered learning gives our students more opportunity to develop skills such as critical thinking and self-reflection. In this session, we will engage in classroom activities from the perspective of our students. With or without technology, our students need to be heard!

Aimed at: All

Materials promoted: None

3:30 - 4:15

Steve McGuire

A How-To Introduction to Eliciting, Sharing, and Discussing Ideas Through Google Form

Room 507

Google Forms is a free Google Suite app that allows easy creation of forms to collect, analyze, and share student info and opinions and self-grading quizzes with many question types. Attendees will learn practical, real-world classroom applications they can immediately apply to their own classes.

Aimed at: All

Materials promoted: None

Amy Long

Teaching Elementary Kids

Room 508

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Aimed at: Elementary Teachers

Materials promoted: My English Book and Me, Dave and Amy Games and Flashcards

David Paul

Learning phonics through card games

Room 511

Phonics doesn't need to be explained or 'taught'. Phonic reading and pronunciation skills can be acquired through play. One of the best ways to do this is through step-by-step card games. This presentation will look at effective ways to do this.

Aimed at: Teachers of children

Materials promoted: Learn Through Play card games and New Finding Out flash cards.

Simon Moran

How to Teach Reading

Room 512

Simon Moran Arrived in Japan from Newcastle in 1995 with £200 in his pocket. Since then he's built a school chain and international publishing business from scratch, and had lots of help along the way.

Aimed at: Pre-school and elementary ELL teachers and parents.

Materials promoted: Innova Graded Readers

Jeremy Lanig

Teaching Hacks 101: How to Prepare Kids Classes in 5 Minutes!

Room 513

Are you spending too much time preparing for lessons? Would you like more free time to finish other important tasks or reduce daily stress levels? In this presentation, you'll hear several tips on how to be more efficient and get your lesson prep time down to 5 minutes or less!

Aimed at: ESL/EFL teachers with students ages 2 – 12, school owners/operators

Materials promoted: Free worksheets, flashcards, & teaching resources by BINGOBONGO Learning

Guy Cihl

WordEngine, a High-Frequency Vocabulary Learning Application

Room 514

WordEngine is a mobile app for learning high-frequency vocabulary for General English and special-purposes such as TOEFL, TOEIC, Eiken, and IELTS. Attendees will learn how and why the WordEngine rapidly increases students comprehension and standard test scores. WordEngine costs less ¥200 per month.

Aimed at: HS, University, and PLS teachers

Materials promoted: WordEngine premium smartphone app

Yoko Takano

20-years recipe: how to manage language school in community

Room 515

Amid diversified of learners demands for acquiring English, a small language school has been chosen for two decades in Nagoya. This poster explains why students improve their English skills by showing its footsteps with data and perspectives of students and parents.

Aimed at: All

Materials promoted: None

4:45 - 5:30

Sean Anderson

Pushing Graded Readers to the Next Level

Room 507

The presenter wants more fun and easy stories so students choose to read in English. Therefore, he and his team used 75 different words and wrote an exciting free-to-read 100-page manga. They will share the current reading-in-English situation in Japan and data from 270 students on their manga.

Aimed at: All

Materials promoted: None

Sean Gallagher

Business Advice Forum

Room 508

Are you a school owner or manager? Are you thinking of starting a school? Join our group of successful language school owners as they share insights about running a language school in Japan.

Aimed at: School owners

Materials promoted: None

Nate Gildart***Bring the World to Your Classroom with Google Expeditions VR/AR***

Room 511

Expeditions is a Google tool that uses both virtual reality and augmented reality. Using this, students and teachers can learn about historical places, people, science and more with 360° imagery. This will be a hands-on demonstration. Participants may be able to schedule a visit to their school.

Aimed at: Teachers of elementary, junior high school, high school students

Materials promoted: None

Nic Kapper***PhonicsSphere***

Room 512

Step-by-step progression from letter names to a reading system. Nic will talk about how to ingrain phonics into kids. His system has given Eigo Day a foundation to start two more schools.

Aimed at: Teachers of kindergarten, elementary students

Materials promoted: None

Amy Braun, Caroline Marques***Be a Preschool Superhero***

Room 513

Learn how to be a preschool superhero with this interactive session!

We will cover about classroom management, classroom activities, and resources to make your class totally awesome!

Aimed at: Teachers of Young Learners (Ages 0-6)

Materials promoted: None

Presenters

Alastair Lamond

Excited to be involved in bringing new education companies to Japan through mangoSTEEMS to give teachers a wider choice as blended learning and digital materials develop and improve.

Amy Braun

Has been teaching in Japan for 8 years. She spent most of that time in Nagoya, teaching preschool.

Amy Long

Amy Long, with her husband Dave, has 4 schools in Saitama City with over 600 students. They are the authors of the My English Book and Me series and the makers of Dave and Amy Games.

Bob Jones

Teaches at two universities in Nagoya and also runs a small English school with his wife in Ena City, Gifu. His favorite pastime is playing around with his Nikon SLR camera.

Caroline Marques

Has been teaching young learners for 4 years (preschool for 2 years), and they have been the best years of her life.

David Paul

Founder of ETJ and Language Teaching Professionals. Author of 'Finding Out', 'Communicate', 'Motivate', 'Communication Strategies', 'Songs and Games Phonics', 'Teaching English to Children in Asia' and other books.

Eric Kane

A school owner, educational YouTuber and founder of ELF Learning.

Eriko Mishima

A language instructor at Chubu University, has a M.Ed. in Cultural Studies at Ohio University.

Guy Cihl

Creator and Producer of Disney's World of English, World Family, WordEngine, Cartoon Word Power, and the all new Words and Monsters vocabulary game.

Jeff Hodsdon

A school owner/teacher from Takarazuka. He's been teaching children of all ages for 20 years and developing and making games along the way.

Jeremy Lanig

His highly effective curriculum is specifically designed for kids in Japan. Students can excel at spoken communication as well as pass tests such as EIKEN. The curriculum is 100% FREE!

Jo Ando

Has been involved in English Language Teaching in Japan for over 15 years. Recently involved in publishing, teacher training and creative business solutions.

Lawrence Hong

Founded AES eikaiwa in Gifu 5 years ago. He graduated summa cum laude from UCLA with a BS in mathematical economics and he's been using LINE to communicate with his school since the beginning.

Leon Butchers

The creator of the AGO card games series. Originally from New Zealand, he has been living and teaching in Japan for about fifteen years.

Masami Maeda

Has an M.A. in Drama and Theatre Education from Warwick University, UK.

Naoko Ashikawa

Currently works at Oxford University Press as a Content Marketing Executive and presenter. She has over 10 years experience as a teacher and teacher trainer and has a very engaging and natural style of teaching and presenting.

Nate Gildart

A History / Social Studies Teacher and Dept Learning Leader at Nagoya International School. He is a Google for Education Certified Trainer and Google Innovator Coach with a wide range of other educational technology certifications.

Natsuho Mizoguchi

A final-year Gifu University student of English education. After graduating, she will begin a master's program focused on English education in universities. Currently she is writing a thesis on the Gifu University English Center.

Nic Kapper

In his eighth year of running a good day. Two years ago, he opened two new branches. He also heads The Bee, a spelling and phonics program for Japanese children.

Peter Lackner

Operates the employment website JobsinJapan.com and has been a director level at three other job resources. He works closely with job candidates and hiring managers in Japan on a daily basis.

Satsuki McNeill

McNeill is a language instructor for adults at a culture center. She is a member of MA TESOL program at Nagoya University of Foreign Studies.

Sean Anderson

Has ten years of experience teaching reading to high school students. He co-produced Question Quest: The Language Card Game, the inspiration for his new, easy-to-read manga.

Scott Crowe

Co-founder of a successful chain of English schools in Japan and now founder of a new brand of schools, An innovator in language teaching and the author of 16.

Steve McGuire

Has an EdD from Temple University and is a professor of English at Nagoya University of the Arts. He is certified as a Google Innovator and as a Level 1 and Level 2 Google Educator.

Simon Moran

Arrived in Japan from Newcastle in 1995 with £200 in his pocket. Since then he's built a school chain and international publishing business from scratch, and had lots of help along the way.

Takayuki Fujimoto

An English teacher at a high school in Aichi and a member of M.A. TESOL program in Nagoya University of Foreign Studies (NUFS). Masami Maeda has M.A. in Drama and Theatre Education at Warwick University, UK.

Yoko Takano

Has been teaching English in OKIDOKI EIGO SCHOOL for 23 years. She holds MA TESOL degree and has interests in travelling around the world.

Yuichi Hasegawa

Has been teaching at Haruhigaoka High School for 23 years. This summer, he took part in the Japan-US Teacher Exchange Program administered by Fulbright Japan. Now he is trying to create output activities in the classroom.