

## 7-Day / 10-Day Training Courses

# English and Methodology for Teachers of English

Dublin (IRELAND)

### WHO is this course for?

The course is designed for **teachers of English** who would like to explore effective English Language Teaching methodologies while enriching their own knowledge of English. Participants will also be immersed in Irish culture as a source of inspiration for the creation of teaching content in the classroom.

Language of communication: **English**

Minimum Level of English required: **B2**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course for teachers of English provides a space for reflection on English Language Teaching allowing participants to explore and reflect on effective and innovative teaching practices that they may include into their repertoire. Through a variety of ELT approaches fostering communication and reflection participants will combine a pedagogical perspective with first-hand learner experience of English through practical activities resulting in the use and creation of effective resources for the English classroom.

Many students today are exposed to more English than ever yet have difficulty reaching the basic aims of the curriculum. Finding a balance between the expectations of English language teaching and the reality of 21st century language learning is a challenge for many teachers of English. Making your teaching engaging and effective leads to learning that is realistic and relevant.

#### Objectives:

- To provide a space for reflection on English Language Teaching approaches and needs.
- To allow participants to incorporate innovative and effective ELT techniques into their repertoire
- To discover the potential of using a 'Contexts4Content' approach when developing teaching resources.
- Provide opportunities to interact with colleagues of other nationalities, and exchange ideas and experiences.
- Motivate participants to develop their communication skills through their participation in the course and as preparation for their involvement in future European experiences.

#### Methodology:

The key concept of the course is the teaching and learning of English for communication, and its effective combination of training formats (e.g. workshops, seminars, group discussion, project-based learning, field learning projects 'Contexts4Content') will allow participants explore different approaches to ELT, as well as the culture and reality of the host country. This will help participants to build motivation, communication, and learning, and will create a framework for planning English lessons, develop teaching materials relevant to their students' interests and strengthen competence in the use of English.

Assessment will be carried out prior to the course by means of analysis of participants' interests. During the course, oral and written reports will be completed to enhance participants' learning. After the course, prospective partnerships might develop from the themes raised by the programme.



## LOCATION of the course: Dublin (IRELAND)

**Dublin, IRELAND**, is an old medieval Viking city that displays a fascinating panorama on its streets through a pleasant mix of historic buildings and sites, monuments and street art: Trinity College and the unique Book of Kells, Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin's Viking Castle, the remarkable Chester Beatty Library, or the Samuel Becket Bridge, can be discovered at the same time as the Sweny's pharmacy (immortalized in Joyce's Ulysses), where that surprising mix of second-hand books and the famous lemon-scented soap can be found together.

No question that **Dublin** is also a warm and welcoming city. Its enjoyable “craic” has attracted visitors for centuries. Traditional music is extremely popular in Ireland and is so easy to find a pub where a band is playing some good drinking music while customers happily join in the chorus.

## DURATION OF THE COURSE

7-day course: **40 hours**.

10-day course: **60 hours**.

Our **7-day course**, starting on Sunday and finishing on Saturday, is a very efficient way to implement your mobility by integrating your learning while saving time and expenses. The **40 hours** duration of the course is applied on average considering all training days of the course, for the implementation of the objectives and lessons, in connection with the “Quality standards for courses under Erasmus+ KA1”

Our **10-day course** is held in summertime when participants can implement their mobility with more time to learn about the content of the programme. The **60 hours** duration of the course is applied on average considering all training days of the course, for the implementation of the objectives and lessons, in connection with the “Quality standards for courses under Erasmus+ KA1”.

**REFERENCE programme of the 7-day Course:****Reference programme:  
English and Methodology for Teachers of English****7-day Course in Ireland**  
(from Sunday to Saturday)**Sunday**

Registration.

Fundamentals: principles, structure, framework

Tools for reflection on learning & Professional Development

Field learning "Contexts4Content" approach

European Dimension

**Monday**

Needs Analysis – Finding what works

Irish English and idiomatic language

Field Learning Project "Contexts4Content"

**Tuesday**

Bringing language learning into the 21st century

Thinking Skills for ELT

Teaching Receptive Skills – Reading and Listening

**Wednesday**

Cooperative Learning for the English Classroom

Teaching Productive Skills – Speaking and Writing

Field Learning Project "Contexts4Content"

**Thursday**

Music, Song and Drama in the Classroom

Creating Resources for the English Classroom

Assessment and Evaluation in ELT

**Friday**

Storytelling in the English Language Classroom

Field Learning Project "Contexts4Content"

**Saturday**

Presentation of participants' learning portfolios

Final reflection on learning acquired

Reflection about Dissemination Strategies

Evaluation of the programme

**NOTE:** These Reference programmes may be subject to amendment. Such amendment, if necessary, would be kept to a minimum, consistent with the quality and balance of the programme.



**REFERENCE programme of the 10-day Course:**

In the table below, you can see the display of our **10-day Course**:

Reference programme: English and Methodology for Teachers of English	
10-Day Training Programme in Ireland	
WEEK 1	WEEK 2
<p><b>MONDAY</b> Registration. Fundamentals: principles, structure, framework Tools for reflection on learning &amp; Professional Development European Dimension Field learning "Contexts4Content"</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Needs Analysis – Finding what works Irish English and idiomatic language Building your Portfolio</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Bringing language learning into the 21st century Teaching Receptive Skills – Listening activities</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Thinking Skills for ELT Teaching Receptive Skills – Reading activities Field Learning Project "Contexts4Content"</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Bringing Authentic material to the classroom Teaching Productive Skills – Writing activities</p>	<p><b>MONDAY</b> Cooperative Learning for the English Classroom Teaching Productive Skills –Speaking activities</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Storytelling for the English Language Classroom Field Learning Project "Contexts4Content"</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Music, Song and Drama in the Classroom Creating Resources for the English Classroom</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Creating Resources for the English Classroom Assessment and Evaluation in ELT Field learning Project "Contexts4Content"</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Presentation of participants' learning portfolios Final reflection on learning acquired Reflection about Dissemination Strategies Evaluation of the programme</p>

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## CERTIFICATION AWARDED

Certification of learning outcomes in connection with the “Quality standards for courses under Erasmus+ KA1”: Europass and Certificate of Attendance which include the name of the participant, description of the course and its learning outcomes, dates, venues, the name of the host organisation and course director.

## DATES

### English and Methodology for Teachers of English

Country of Destination: ***Dublin, IRELAND***

Duration (days): ***7 training days (from Sunday to Saturday) or 10 training days (from Monday to Friday)***

Language of communication: ***English***

Dates in 2023	
19-25 February - 7 training days	18-24 February - 7 training days
21-27 May - 7 training days	19-25 May - 7 training days
18-24 June - 7 training days	16-22 June - 7 training days
03-14 July - 10 training days	01-12 July - 10 training days
17-28 July - 10 training days	15-26 July - 10 training days
22-28 October - 7 training days	20-26 October - 7 training days

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