



Week 1: 27 – 31 July

Materials Mastery: Developing ELT Resources That Deliver

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Transform your classroom resources and take your teaching to the next level in this hands-on, practical workshop. Across five interactive sessions, you'll explore, evaluate, and create a wide range of teaching materials that are both engaging and effective. Whether you're working with beginners or advanced learners, this course will help you design resources that work in your context.

You'll learn how to:

- Critically assess published and online teaching materials for quality and clarity.
- Design your own versatile handouts, worksheets, and communicative tasks.
- Create authentic and accessible audio/video materials for learners.
- Develop self-editing techniques to refine your own materials.
- Turn great ideas into ready-to-use classroom resources.

This workshop is for English teachers at any level who want to build their confidence and creativity in resource design—whether for their own classes or to share with colleagues. Each session includes a short preparation task to maximize your hands-on learning during the workshop.

By the end of the week, you'll walk away with a toolkit of techniques, a collection of your own tailor-made materials, and the confidence to keep creating.

Get ready to inspire—and be inspired!

Session 1 Monday	Getting Started: What Makes a Great Teaching Resource? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the purpose of materials • Key features of effective teaching resources
Session 2 Tuesday	From Meaning to Language: Designing for Clarity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenting new language in a clear and accessible way • Teaching materials vs. practice materials: what's the difference?
Session 3 Wednesday	Creating Engaging Exercises <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secrets of a good exercise - • Topic, language and level – three keys to success
Session 4 Thursday	Working with Video and Audio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making real-world media accessible to learners. • How to write authentic, purposeful dialogues for listening tasks
Session 5 Friday	Pulling it all Together <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turning ideas into useful classroom-ready materials. • Designing materials for your own teaching context and learners' needs

Please note: This course schedule is intended to give an overview of the topics to be covered in each session; however, it may be liable to change at the tutor's discretion.

SUGGESTED READING

There is no required preparatory reading for this course. However, you may wish to have a look at *ETpedia Materials Writing (Pavilion ELT)* and any mainstream coursebooks and/or online courses you are familiar with.