



**Harnessing Generative AI: A Practical Guide for the ELT Teacher**

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Are you curious about how generative AI can transform your teaching, but not sure where to start? This hands-on workshop is designed specifically for English language teachers with little or no prior experience with AI tools. Whether you're teaching in a physical classroom or online, this course will give you the confidence, knowledge, and practical skills to bring AI into your teaching practice—creatively and ethically.

Over the course of the workshop, you'll demystify the basics of generative AI, explore its real-world applications in ELT, and experiment with powerful tools to boost lesson planning, materials development, and student engagement. You'll also learn how to critically evaluate AI-generated content and navigate important ethical considerations.

By the end of the workshop, you'll walk away with practical, ready-to-use strategies and resources that will enhance your teaching and empower your learners.

What you'll gain:

- A clear understanding of what generative AI is—and what it isn't.
- Hands-on experience with AI tools to create dynamic, personalized learning materials.
- Practical strategies for integrating AI into your lesson planning and classroom activities.
- Skills to evaluate AI-generated content for accuracy, relevance, and cultural appropriateness.
- Awareness of the ethical implications of using AI in education—and how to address them responsibly.

No tech background is required; just a willingness to explore, experiment, and reimagine what's possible in your classroom.

<p><b>Session 1</b> Monday</p>	<p><b>Unlocking Generative AI in English Language Teaching</b> Kickstart your week with a deep dive into the world of generative AI. In this introductory session, you'll gain a clear, practical understanding of what generative AI is and what it isn't. Together, we'll explore how these tools can enhance English Language Teaching—where they shine, where they fall short, and what that means for educators. You'll also reflect on the ethical and classroom implications of AI integration, equipping you to engage with this fast-evolving field critically and confidently.</p>
<p><b>Session 2</b> Tuesday</p>	<p><b>Smarter Planning: Creating Lessons &amp; Materials with AI</b> Discover how generative AI can be your co-teacher. This hands-on session will show you how to use AI to design engaging lesson plans and create materials tailored to your learners' needs. You'll explore ways to differentiate content efficiently, boost creativity in the planning process, and build a more personalised classroom experience—without starting from scratch each time.</p>
<p><b>Session 3</b> Wednesday</p>	<p><b>Putting Learners First: AI for Student-Centered Learning</b> Explore how AI can empower learners, not just teachers. In this session, you'll examine a range of student-facing AI tools that foster autonomy, encourage creativity, and support skills development. You'll critically assess their strengths and limitations, design your own student-centered activity using generative AI, and consider how these tools reshape the teacher-student dynamic in the modern classroom.</p>
<p><b>Session 4</b> Thursday</p>	<p><b>Building Better Bots: Chatbots in Language Learning</b> Learn how to build an AI-powered chatbot tailored to your learners. This session demystifies chatbot technology and guides you through designing a chatbot persona that meets specific language learning goals. You'll define a learner context, develop a system prompt, and create a practical, engaging tool that brings real-world relevance into your classroom.</p>

<b>Session 5</b> Friday	<b>Rethinking Assessment in the Age of AI</b> We wrap up the week by reimagining assessment through the lens of AI. You'll explore how generative AI can support both formative and summative assessment in ELT—enhancing feedback, enabling differentiation, and even improving learner engagement. You'll also tackle the big questions: How do we ensure fairness, reliability, and integrity in AI-assisted testing? The session concludes with a forward-looking synthesis of your week's learning, equipping you to lead the conversation on AI in ELT.
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**Please note:** This workshop schedule is intended to give an overview of the topics to be covered each day; however, as AI in education is an ever-changing field, it may be liable to change at the tutor's discretion.

There is no required preparatory reading for this workshop.

