

# Advanced Language, Materials and Methodology (1 week course)



## Overview and Outcomes

The course will provide you with an intensive introduction to current methodology and materials in ELT, while providing you with the opportunity to refresh your English. The course focuses on the practical application of recent developments in teaching methodology, providing you with ways in which to apply them to your class. As a course participant you will have the opportunity to collaborate with others, comparing your contexts, your problems and your solutions.



## Content

*Advanced Language Materials and Methodology* includes content drawn from some or all of the following areas:

- Language and culture
- Motivating learners
- Creativity in the classroom
- 21st Century Skills
- Multimedia materials
- Using and designing authentic tasks
- Activities to develop language knowledge and use
- Recent developments in methodology
- Issues in language learning

Specific course content comes from feedback you and other participants give us through pre-course questionnaires, identifying your needs and priorities.

We build time into the course for reflection, to consider how to adapt the content to your own professional context.

We then support you in creating a strategy for putting your ideas into practice on returning to your institution.

All NILE courses involve a significant element of English language improvement and/or the development of language awareness.

## Trainers

NILE's highly experienced trainers are international experts not only in their fields, but also of working with teachers to continue professional development. Read more about NILE's trainers, their experience and interests at [The NILE Team](#) on the [NILE website](#).



## Teaching approaches

- We make courses practical and 'hands-on', with reference to relevant theory
- Our classes are participant-centred and collaborative, designed to build knowledge and confidence
- We use activities and tasks to help you apply the course content to your setting

## Who is the course suitable for?

- Teachers who wish to raise their awareness of how language, materials and methodology interact in the teaching of English to secondary school students and/or adults\*
- Participants with a minimum language level corresponding to B2/C1 on the Common European Framework

\*Those teachers working in primary education may like to refer to the course description for our TYL course.

## Timetable

This course consists of 25 hours of tuition, delivered between 09:15 and 16:00, Monday – Friday. You will also take part in workshops on a variety of topics and attend guest lectures from well-known people in ELT, and each course includes a free evening and weekend programme of social and cultural activities and trips.

Advanced Language, Materials and Methodology Sample Timetable (actual timetable may vary in its detail)							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
09.15 - 10.45	Welcome and orientation	What it means to be British	Creativity in the classroom	Motivating learners	Vocabulary activities		
10.45 - 11.15	Morning Break						
11.15 - 12.45	Discovering language	Using & designing tasks for authentic materials	Short speaking activities	The British press: slang, idioms & register	Making learning visible	Social and cultural programme as appropriate	
12.45 - 14.00	Lunch Break						
14.00 - 16.00	21st century skills	Contemporary English	Creative approach to teaching pronunciation	Using TED talks creatively	Course review and round up		
Afternoon/ Evening Programme	Social and cultural programme as appropriate						

## Facilities and resources

Each NILE course has a digital learning platform. This gives you access to the materials and the opportunity to share ideas with others while on the course and after you leave.

While at NILE you will also have the use of NILE’s extensive ELT library, an online resource centre, a variety of computing devices, and wi-fi throughout the teaching buildings.

## Certification

Your end-of-course NILE certificate details the areas covered on your course. It comes with recommendations for sharing what you have learnt and implementing your action plan at your institution.

All NILE’s face-to-face courses are eligible for Erasmus+ funding. Europass can be validated .

NILE offers homestay accommodation with carefully selected host and residential accommodation at the University of East Anglia. NILE’s dedicated student welfare team can be reached 24 hours a day.

The effort we take to make the experience of being on a NILE course both positive and productive has been recognised by inspections from Eaquls and the British Council. We are proud to be acknowledged as the top-ranking teacher training specialist in the UK.

