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Teaching, Learning, and Developing

By Brian Heldenbrand

Synopsis of the September 3rd Presentation

Educators in the field of EFL/ESL spend hours of their life in the classroom bettering students in their English proficiency scores and language skills. As a result of their arduous labor, educators need more resources and involvement within opportunities to better equip themselves for teaching and learning. The daily commitment of each teacher to prepare, instruct, motivate, encourage, correct, and counsel (to name a few) requires numerous hours, ideas and discipline. Whether the language learning environment exists within the classroom, in social learning opportunities, or online, teachers need to be aware, and better able to consider the educational “options” or “tools” available for teaching, learning and developing more as an educator. This presentation will look at seven specific building blocks an EFL teacher in Korea might wish to consider for becoming a more awesome teacher. Some of these ideas and techniques are taken from Doug Lemov’s outstanding book, *Teach Like a Champion*. Regardless of whether we are experienced educators or first-year teachers-in-training, this presentation will offer everyone an opportunity to nod their head in agreement. Well, are you ready to build?

Biographical Sketch

Brian is an Associate Professor in the Department of Liberal Arts in Jeonju University. He has taught English in Jeonju University since 1994. Brian’s other posts at present include head of the International Education Center, principal of Global Prodigy Academy, (an American International High School on the campus of Jeonju University), and Director for the English Elementary Education Teacher Training Center. Brian has been active with KOTESOL for over 17 years and has served in various leadership positions within the local chapter and nationally during his stay in Korea. He served as Cholla Chapter President for three years (before the division into Jeonju-North Jeolla and Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapters) and as National Secretary. His interests in EFL relate to visual learning, extensive reading and the development of presentation skills in language learners. Brian has been married over twelve years to Tammy Fisher and they have a seven-year old son named Malachi, who attends first grade in a Korean elementary school. Brian serves as the pastor of Jungbu English Church in Jeonju.

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News from the Membership

Billie Kang (TaeBong Elementary School) presented at the 9th Asia TEFL International Conference, which was held in Seoul this year. The title of the demonstration that she presented on July 29 was “Let’s Play: Games in English Class in Elementary School.”

David Shaffer (Chosun University) presented at the Asia TEFL International Conference on July 28. His presentation was entitled “ESL and EFL Teachers Perspectives on Teaching Grammar. Dr. Shaffer also participated in the annual National Council Executives Meeting on July 26 and headed the Nominations and Elections section of the Annual Business Meeting on July 29. At the conference’s end, he was reappointed as Executive Direct of Internal Affairs.

David Shaffer presented on student test preferences at the KELTA Intl. Conference in Seoul on August 3.

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Membership payment may be made by:

- Bank transfer to **KOTESOL**, Korea Exchange Bank account number: 630-006952-841
- Payment in cash to the Chapter Membership Officer at a Chapter Meeting

Writing Emotion into Writing

By Julien McNulty

Synopsis of the September 3rd Presentation

I like apples? Using emotion, tone, and NVC in effective sentence writing

According to many sources (mostly attributed to Mehrabian's 1968 study), about 90% of what we say is non-verbal. In other words, we say more in the HOW, than the WHAT. At the intermediate level of ELT, we don't capitalize on the student's growing lexicon; we could help develop better descriptive and narrative writing by exploring the use of tone in language.

This workshop will focus on unlocking the learner's flair for the dramatic, internalizing emotion, then using those feelings to write tone into sentences. Other forms of tone in writing will be explored and discussed, keeping a light-hearted, humorous outlook when citing examples.

The target audience for these exercises is the intermediate/upper-intermediate language learner, teenager to adult. If you are trying to find ways to explore drama, or creative writing in class, participation in this workshop will *emotivate* you.

Following is a brief lesson plan. The full lesson plan will be available at the presentation.

August 6th Chapter Meeting Report

Gwangju-Jeonnam's first-ever August meeting was held on the first Saturday of the month (Aug. 6). The format for this mid-summer meeting was different than the norm. The main event was scheduled to be an ELT swap-shop followed by a Q-and-A session and an abbreviation and acronym challenge. As it turned out, the swap-shop consumed the entirety of the three-hour meeting. Many very useful teaching activities and ideas were presented to add to the audiences' repertoire, thanks to Faith Fishley, Maria Lisak, Viva May Cabrerros, James Hunt, Ynell Lumantao, Dr. Yeon-seong Park, Lynne Van Lelyveld, Brian Thomas, and Dr. David Shaffer. As Chapter Membership Coordinator, Faith Fishley, is finishing her service at Suncheon National University and will be moving on, she was presented with a plaque of appreciation from the Chapter membership by President David Shaffer. While the attendance of this vacation-time meeting was expectedly low, the eighteen who attended agreed over *samgye-tang* afterward that the dog-days meeting was possibly the most informative and beneficial chapter session in a long while. The Chapter is looking for a new Membership Coordinator to replace Faith and for a Communications Officer. If you are interested or know of someone who may be, contact David Shaffer.

Lesson Plan: I like Apples

Topic: Writing emotion into words

Purpose: Enhance written communication; remove ambiguity, like sarcasm, through effective descriptive writing of emotions.

Objective: Write one sentence in pair/group and one sentence individually, using scene description, constrained by task given by teacher.

Materials: PowerPoint, blank slips of paper, emotions slips, phrase slips.

Biographical Sketch



Julien McNulty has been teaching, training, facilitating, or instructing in some form for 20 years. He has taught French, Spanish, History, and Special Education in British Columbia, Canada. He has also worked as a corporate trainer in Toronto, developing an accent neutralization program in India, and as a bilingual training consultant. Teaching English in Korea since 2008, Julien is currently a language skills instructor at Chosun University and the 2011 Chair of the 19th Korea TESOL International Conference. He is the candidate for National President of KOTESOL. Email: julienmcnulty@gmail.com

Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL September Chapter Meeting

- Time: Saturday, September 3, 2011, 1:30 p.m.
- Place: Chosun University, Main Building, 2nd Floor, Lab 8, Room 2123

Schedule

1:30 pm: Registration and Welcome

2:00 pm: PRESENTATION 1: *Teaching, Learning, and Developing*
Brian Heldenbrand (Jeonju University; Cholla Chapter President 2000-03)

2:50 pm: Refreshment Break

3:10 pm: PRESENTATION 2: *Writing Emotion into Writing*
Julien McNulty (Chosun University; KOTESOL 2011 Intl. Conference Chair)

4:00 pm: TEFL Abbreviation & Acronym Challenge
(Participate in this fun and informative event.)

4:30 pm: Awarding of Prizes
Announcements
Closing

(Admission is free. Membership is encouraged.)

Upcoming Chapter Events

October 1, 2011. Suncheon Outreach Workshop

- *Making Phonics Fun and Easy!*
Hee-yang 'Michelle' Park (KTT Presenter)
- *Using Warmers* – Ji-Myoung Park
- Additional Concurrent Presentations

November 5, 2011. Chapter Meeting

- *Connecting Reading and Writing with YLs*
Keumju Cheon (Chapter Member)

December 10, 2011. Chapter Meeting

Upcoming KOTESOL Events

September 24, 2011.

Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter Conference
Public School Learners' Strand
University and Adult Learners' Strand
Cheongju, Chungcheongbuk-do

October 15-16, 2011.

The 2011 Korea TESOL Intl. Conference
Pushing our Paradigms; Connecting with Culture
Sookmyung Women's University, Seoul
Pre-registration Online: August & September

Upcoming Korea ELT Events

21C AELL Autumn Conference

September 17, 2011; Gwangju
Gwangju National University of Education

ALAK 2011 Annual Conference

Cognition and Practice in Applied Linguistics
November 12, 2011; Seoul Natl. University, Seoul

KAFLE Conference 2011

Innovating Foreign Languages Education & Assessment in Korea
September 17, 2011; Konkuk University, Seoul

21st Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference

October 20-22, 2011; Seoul Natl. University, Seoul

PKETA International Conference 2011

New Directions for Teaching English: Learner Autonomy & Authenticity for Global Communication
September 23, 2011; PUFSS, Busan

GETA 2011 International Conference

Extensive Reading and Listening: Why, What, and How
November 26, 2011; Chosun University, Gwangju

KAMALL 2011 International Conference

New Directions for Blended Learning in EFL
October 15, 2011; Pai Chai University, Daejeon

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