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Technology (ICT) for Primary English Teachers

"An introduction to some free applications for you and your students"



Ministry of Education has introduced new ICT (Information and Communication Technologies) baseline standards for primary schools this year. It is not long that teachers are expected to make use of ICT in teaching. Moreover, young students like to explore with computers and thus, designing some lessons for them using ICT will boost their receptiveness in learning. But how are you going to design and introduce online lessons that

Are the following some of your concerns in using ICT?

- Do I need to be IT-savvy in order to be able to use ICT for teaching?
- How should I go about using ICT to design my English lessons? What different options do I have?
- □ Will this takes up a lot of my time?
- Where can I get all the ready resources I need to incorporate into the lessons?

All participants will be given a CD with many free software and resources that helps you to design your classes.

It above are your worries, join us in this two-hour workshop where our ICT expert, *Mr Chris Smith*, will show you how easy it is to use ICT for teaching and learning English. During this session we will look at some free software and internet websites designed to help teaching students aged 7 to 12. Most of the examples shown can also be used by students at home.

Do I need to have good technical/ IT knowledge to attend this workshop?:

No, you don't need to have prior IT knowledge to attend this workshop. As long as you are comfortable using web-browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox, etc for surfing) and email, you will enjoy and benefit from this workshop! This session will be of interest to those who are *relatively new* at using computers with students and will also benefit the more experienced.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER: Mr Chris Smith has been working with International School teachers in S.E.Asia for 28 years, the first 24 with the English Schools Foundation (ESF) in Hong Kong, a group of 16 schools, 12,000 students and over 800 teachers. During his last four years with the ESF, as the ICT Advisor, he was responsible for writing, monitoring and evaluating the Foundations overall ICT Development Plan. This included a three year, accredited, in-service ICT programme for all teaching and library staff.

In 2002 he moved to Thailand and established a consultancy "The Education Project Asia" to extend these support opportunities to other International Schools across 17 countries in S.E.Asia focused on the "Integration of ICT in Teaching and Learning". He is well known for the website he established at www.shambles.net designed to initially support International Schools in S.E.Asia but now attracting over 10,000 visitors a day from a worldwide audience of educators from many different sectors.

Recently he has been working as the evaluator of a UNESCO project (SchoolNet) which involved schools from eight ASEAN countries.

ABOUT THE ORGANISER

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