

Really Teaching the Four Skills *with Paul Seligson*

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Introduction

Our lessons and coursebooks neatly divide into 'Skills' headings/exercises and we would all claim to teach Speaking. But what about Reading, Writing, even Listening? Do our tasks and activities really prioritise and teach these skills? My answer would be a resounding 'No!' We too often turn reading texts, writing exercises and listening activities into either vocabulary extension or grammar practice activities, and we all too quickly rush on to 'sexier' stages like roleplay or discussion, ducking the key issue of the skills themselves and how to improve them.

Session Outline

This lively, highly practical workshop will de-bunk some common, everyday ELT activities and demonstrate how some simple tweaks and additions can radically improve our practice.

Outcomes

Teachers will leave better equipped to utilise texts and activities, first to engage more often with and then to really try to teach the skills, on a regular basis.

Timetable

Registration	10.00
Starting Time	10.30
Ending Time	17.00

Lunch and refreshments provided

Trainer Profile

Paul Seligson has been TEFLing worldwide since 1978 and is well-known for giving lively, highly practical talks. An MA in TEFL, CELTA assessor and LCCI examiner, freelance trainer and author, his many publications include Helping Students to Speak for the Richmond Teacher's Handbook Series, which he also edits, New English File (OUP), Power 1 & 2 (Richmond) and ETP (British Council, Brazil). He lives in Brighton.

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