

Using Grammar to Empower learners in MFL: Practical Strategies for Success

With the renewed Key Stage 3 Framework for Languages, following the KS2 Framework for Languages closely, there is a requirement for students to display knowledge about a language, together with language learning strategies. It is therefore vital that teachers of MFL deliver this in ways which engage learners and consolidate and extend their grasp of key language structures.

This one-day course will offer delegates practical guidance on how to teach and reinforce grammar effectively. It will offer tried and tested strategies to aid students' learning and provide stretch and challenge for students including those aiming for A* grades.

The aims of this course are to:

- Make the Target Language an Effective Grammar Learning Tool
- Learn Essential Grammar for KS3: Making Links and Transferring Understanding
- Make the Most of Tenses in Writing and Speaking: Hints, Tips and Guidance
- Maximise the Potential of Reinforcement Strategies: Translation Starters and Essay Writing Frames
- Effectively Use a Wider Range of Structures in Controlled Assessments
- Learn Successful Grammar Structures for A*: Ensuring Stretch and Challenge in MFL

Who should attend?

Teachers of KS3 and KS4 MFL in schools, Heads of MFL and Curriculum Leaders of Languages.



Programme

09:30	Arrival, registration and coffee	12:00	Coffee
10:00	Welcome & introduction	12:20	Extending Student Utterances!
	Making an Impact in your Grammar Teaching		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making Best Use of Reinforcement Strategies: Translation Starters and Essay Writing Frames • Establishing a Corrections Policy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully Teaching the Basics - For Example, je, j', j'ai, j'aime • Making the Target Language an Effective Grammar Learning Tool • Essential Grammar for KS3: Making Links and Transferring Understanding 	13:15	Restaurant Lunch
10:55	Communicating Simply in the Past, Present and Future	14:15	Making a Difference with Grammar at KS4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practical Strategies to Ensure Students Understand Different Tenses • Making the Most of Tenses in Writing and Speaking: Hints, Tips and Guidance 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectively Using a Wider Range of Structures in Controlled Assessments • Practical Approaches to Make Grammar More Appealing
		15:00	Successful Grammar Structures for A*: Ensuring Stretch and Challenge in MFL
		15:45	Evaluation and close of course

About the tutor



Tony Elston is an Advanced Skills Teacher and Head of MFL in a Manchester School that has Languages as a Second Specialism.

He is an author of several popular MFL textbooks and an inspirational trainer and presenter. Many of his articles have appeared in the *Times*

Educational Supplement.

Whilst Tony's strategies can be transferred to any modern foreign language, the majority of his materials will be in French.

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