

# The Young Ones Conference

Nurturing young minds and empowering educators

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## **Teacher Training Centre**

#### **Publishers**













#### Restaurant





#### **GENERAL INFO**

#### On Arrival

The entrance foyer of the school will be used for registration. The seminar rooms are on the first and second floors.

#### Registration

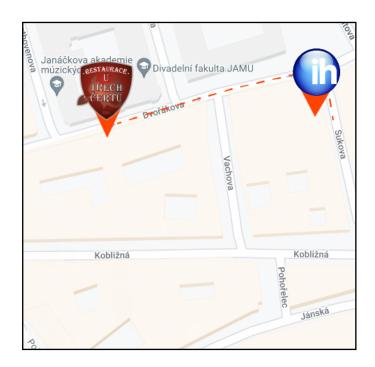
Please note that there are a limited number of places available so register now at: <u>The Young Ones Conference</u>
This conference is accredited by the Czech Ministry of Education.

#### Other Information

Drinks and refreshments will be provided on the first floor.
There will be displays by a number of publishing companies.

#### The venue

ILC International House Brno
Language school
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#### CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8:00-9:00 REGISTRATION

9:00-10:00 **MORNING SESSIONS 1** 

Games and Activities for 6 - 8 year-olds

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**Peter Nobbs** 

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10:00—10:15 **BREAK** 

PUBLISHERS' EXHIBITION

10:15—11:15 **MORNING SESSIONS 2** 

Super Cool Activities for Happy Learners

Pronunciation Tips and Tricks for Young Learners

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11:15-12:30 LUNCH

**BOOK EXHIBITION AND INFORMATION** 

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Reading in English Language Teaching

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Successful Communication with LEGO!

Voice Care - How to Keep your Main Instrument Healthy

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Oxford University Press

Silvia Doláková

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15:00—16:00 Q&A drinks and raffle



#### Games and Activities for 6 - 8 year-olds

#### Vlaďka Skopcová, Macmillan Education

09:00 - 10:00 Room 1

This workshop will offer a number of practical ideas and activities that are suitable for our young learners. We will focus on the use of games, stories, puppets and flashcards, which are easy to use and can greatly enrich our English lessons.

#### **Super Cool Activities for Happy Learners**

#### Vlaďka Skopcová, Macmillan Education

10:15 - 11:15 Room 1

Happy teachers make for happy learners, and vice versa! What tools can we use to help our learners enjoy the class while maximizing learning? This workshop will focus on how to use lead-ins, games, life skill development, and feedback and self-assessment activities, to add energy and fun.



**Vlad'ka Skopcová** is an English teacher, teacher trainer and Cambridge English examiner. She has over 20 years' experience of teaching both young learners and adults in a range of contexts. She holds the Cambridge CELTA and DELTA. Dividing her time between teaching and teacher training, Vladka currently teaches at a private language school and a local primary school. As a teacher trainer, she works with Macmillan Education, the National Pedagogical Institute, and a range of state and private schools.

# Reading in English language teaching Martina Weissbergerová, Oxford University Press

12:30 - 13:30 Room 1

Help your students read their way to better English and incorporate reading as a stable part of your English classes. Learn how to make reading activities easy and fun. Motivate your students to achieve their learning goals through reading in an easy and entertaining way.



Martina Weissbergerová has been working for Oxford University Press an Educational Representative since February 2022. She studied English Philology at University of Ostrava and after studies she taught English language for multiple language schools, focusing mainly on beginners. Martina also tutored high school students and private students, mostly online.

### Using Pictures and Images to Review Language

13:45 - 14:45

Room 1

Fernanda Riegert Borba, ILC International House Brno

Students learn in different ways and visual aids are especially relevant when teaching children. In this session, I will share some activities that can be easily implemented in the classrooms in order to review lexis and grammar.



**Fernanda Borba** is a CELTA and IH CYLT qualified English teacher and a Senior teacher at ILC IH Brno. She has been teaching a variety of age groups and levels for 20 years. She originally comes from Brazil but she has lived in and visited many English speaking countries, such as the USA, Canada, Australia, England and South Africa. She has also worked as a teacher trainer in Brazil.

#### Get me out of here!

#### Anette Igel, Freelance English Teacher

09:00 - 10:00 13:45 - 14:45

Room 2

Escape Rooms are an exciting way to recycle language, get your students talking and work on their critical thinking skills. They also boost teamwork and give you the option to cater for your students at their individual levels taking into account their different needs and experience. In this workshop you will experience an Escape Room while exploring how to create one for and/or with your students. It's going to be serious fun!



Anette Igel is a teacher and teacher trainer with 20 years experience in teaching. She used to work as the DoS and YL coordinator for IH Brno before moving to Germany where she now works as an English teacher and SEN coordinator at a primary school. She is also involved in teacher training for IH Bucharest and IH Hamburg, worked as a CELTA tutor in Kharkiv and has traveled to quite a few places to train primary and secondary teachers for organisations like OUP and SELT Academy.

# Pronunciation Tips and Tricks for Young Learners

10:15 - 11:15

Room 2

#### Sylvie Doláková, Freelance English Teacher

In this presentation, we will explore effective techniques for teaching pronunciation to practically any learners. Our workshop will focus on practical and fun exercises. These activities make learning pronunciation an enjoyable and engaging experience for children and help them master unusual sounds in English in a playful and engaging way.

#### Let's Play, Let's Move

#### Sylvie Doláková, Freelance English Teacher

12:30 - 13:30

Room 2

Teaching English to (very) young learners should contain some must-do aspects. One of them is movement and passion. In action games the children immerse in the theme of the game and completely forget that they are using a foreign language. Teaching English to children can be quite efficient if we set the goal together with some movement and excitement. Circle and clapping games make children eager to participate, and provide them with useful features; listening and speaking skills, vocabulary, phrases, grammar, concentration, memory, and fair-play



**Sylvie Doláková** is a teacher trainer focusing on working with children aged 3 – 15, with more than 25 years of experience. She specialises in teaching English through art and stories, publishes books and resource sets for children (Pearson ELT Teachers' Award for best innovation). She presents at conferences and webinars all around the world, she has also worked as an ELT consultant (NILE, Norwich, British Council etc.) and published in IATEFL magazines and a PronSIG blog.

#### Successful Communication with LEGO!

#### Glenn Standish, International House Torun

09:00 - 10:00 12:30 - 13:30

Room 3

In this practical workshop, we will explore how LEGO can be used to provide a hand-on-team-based, highly communicative learning experience. Building (in English) will be compulsory!



**Glenn Standish** was originally born in New Zealand but was brought up in Saudi Arabia and the UK. He has been teaching English in Poland for over 20 years and is currently the Director of Studies of IH Torun. He is also a tutor for the IHCYLT and IHCAM courses, a course moderator and an inspector for IH World. He loves presenting on the conference circuit and has been to 58 countries. He has given workshops in many countries such as Colombia, Italy, Moldova, Poland, Portugal, Romania, the UK and many more.

# Flashcard Games for VYLs: Effectively Moving from Receptive to Productive Skills

10:15 - 11:15

Room 3

Zoe Harris, International House Bielsko-Biała

Flashcard games are an essential part of teaching 2-6 year olds, but how can we use them in a way which successfully develops their receptive skills and consequently activates their productive skills? In this session I will show you how I implement the flashcard games we know and love at the start of a new unit with very young learners.

#### **Using Realia with Young Learners**

Zoe Harris, International House Bielsko-Biała

13:45 - 14:45 Room 3

Realia can help young learners to contextualise the language they have learnt in class and apply it to real world scenarios. But what is realia and in what ways can we exploit it in our classrooms to develop our students' understanding of the language? In this session I will demonstrate how I use realia in my lessons in fun and engaging ways.



**Zoe Harris** has been teaching since 2011 in France, Guadeloupe, Spain, China, Costa Rica and Poland. She is currently ADOS at IH Bielsko-Biala where she is in charge of coordinating and managing VYL and YL classes and curriculum. Zoe holds the CELTA, IHVYL, IHCYLT, Nile Certificate in Teaching English in Pre-Primary Education as well as the Trinity CertPT specialising in Pre-Primary Education. She has recently completed the IHTTC and is working towards becoming a teacher trainer.

#### All Filler, All Killer

#### Peter Nobbs, ILC International House Brno

09:00 - 10:00 10:15 - 11:15 Room 9

No matter how well we plan our lessons, as teachers we can often find ourselves with a spare five minutes to fill or in need of a quick activity to raise flagging energy levels. This session will present a number of quick, low or no prep activities that can be used with different levels and ages to keep students engaged and using English when you have a few extra minutes until the bell goes.



**Peter Nobbs** is a teacher and occasional teacher trainer based in Brno. He works for ILC International House Brno, Gymnazium Kpt. Jarose and Masaryk University. He has over 20 years of classroom experience working with Young Learners around the world. His teaching experience ranges from young learners to adults of all language levels and competences, and his teacher training experience includes training on the IHCYLT.

#### Voice Care - How to Keep your Main Instrument Healthy

12:30 - 13:30 13:45 - 14:45 Room 9

#### Luis Eduardo de Oliveira Patrocinio, The Bridge

Do you take care of your voice? Do you know how to? If the answer is no, join us and learn some tricks and techniques actor and singers usually do to use this extremely important tool in a healthy way. Learn how to add more quality to your voice! If the answer is yes, join us and share your tips with the group. Sharing is caring!



**Luis Patrocinio** s a Cambridge CELTA Pass A certified teacher and the YL DoS at The Bridge Language Centre in Bratislava, Slovakia. He has been teaching English to adults, teenagers and children for over 8 years. He has taught in his home country - Brazil, Ireland and in Slovakia, which has been his country of residence for over 5 years now. He holds a degree in theater and performing arts, which gave him knowledge of the many important skills that teachers should also have. He is working on getting deeper into the field of teacher training, focusing on some of the skills he gained while studying to be an actor.

#### **Our Services**



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