

# THE MACMILLAN EDUCATION TEACHER TRAINING DAY 2017

Welcome to our second Macmillan Education teacher training event in The Netherlands. Join our guest speakers Dave Spencer (*Gateway, Gateway 2nd Edition*), Adrian Underhill (*Sound Foundations, Sounds: The Pronunciation App*) and Roy Norris (*Ready for First, Ready for Advanced, Straight to First, Straightforward*) for a full day of inspiring workshops on teaching English as a foreign language.

The training day for secondary school teachers includes four practical workshops, covering topics such as Cambridge Exams, life skills, pronunciation and vocabulary. Lunch will be provided and all attendants will receive a certificate of participation. We hope you will enjoy the day and find it useful.

## Programme overview

09.45 – 10.15 **Registration, coffee & tea**

10.15 – 11.15 **Bringing Life Skills to Life** – Dave Spencer

11.20 – 12.20 **Preparation for First – what to focus on** – Roy Norris

12.20 – 13.10 **Lunch**

13.10 – 14.10 **Pronunciation: The Cinderella of ELT** – Adrian Underhill

14.10 – 14.30 **Coffee & tea**

14.30 – 15.30 **Word Perfect – The importance of recycling in vocabulary teaching** – Dave Spencer

15.30 – 16.00 **Q&A: Ask the Experts**

## The venue

This event will be held at **Vergadercentrum Vredenburg**, Vredenburg 19, 3511 BB in Utrecht.

The venue is located in the city centre and is within 5 minutes walking distance of Utrecht Centraal Station.

## About Macmillan Education

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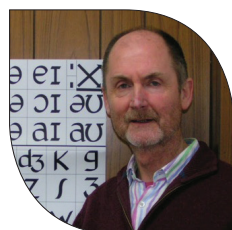
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**Bringing Life Skills to Life** with *Dave Spencer*

The basic concept of teaching Life Skills is simple - that our responsibility as educators is not only to help our students to learn English but also to prepare them for the challenges of life in the 21st Century. This talk will look at **why** the teaching of Life Skills is so important, particularly for teens, **which** life skills our students really need, and, arguably the most important question and the one that concerns teachers the most, **how** we can actually incorporate the teaching of Life Skills into our classes. To this end, the talk will include a number of practical activities, approaches and teaching materials. Some typical arguments against teaching Life Skills will also be addressed.

**Preparation for First – what to focus on** with *Roy Norris*

You're preparing students for the *Cambridge English: First* exam. There's a lot of ground to cover, so what language and skills should you give priority to? What advice can you give students? In this practical session, I'll address these questions using examples from the new coursebook *Straight to First*, as well as further supplementary materials I have designed for my own classes.

**Pronunciation: The Cinderella of ELT** with *Adrian Underhill*

Unlike grammar and vocabulary, pronunciation is not fully integrated into language learning. In this participatory and active workshop I will propose two solutions which I will then demonstrate in a hands-on lesson, showing how to liberate learners from the 'grip' of their mother tongue pronunciation, how to reconnect with the muscles that make the pronunciation difference, and how to feel greater confidence as the teacher. I will illustrate how to use the phonemic chart as a mental map in this process.

**Word Perfect – The importance of recycling in vocabulary teaching** with *Dave Spencer*

Vocabulary teaching can often appear relatively simple and straightforward, but unfortunately vocabulary learning by the students can seem frustratingly slow and difficult. In this session, we will investigate what it means to really 'know' a word, and what influence this has on how we should recycle and practise vocabulary in the classroom. We will also explore how memory works and the important implications that this can have for the design of recycling activities that genuinely help students to boost their word power. We will see a variety of practical classroom activities and strategies, the aims of which are to make vocabulary learning more effective, stimulating and enjoyable for our students.

**Q&A****Q&A: Ask the Experts**

In this Q&A session, members in the audience will have the opportunity to ask questions to Dave Spencer, Roy Norris and Adrian Underhill. They look forward to answering your questions.

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