

## BC Seminars ESOL workshop - June 2010

### **Premier Skills**

<http://premierSkills.britishcouncil.org>

British Council Premier Skills homepage

<http://premierSkills.britishcouncil.org/premierSkills-dvd-questions>

Player interviews available streamed on the British Council Premier Skills site

<http://premierSkills.britishcouncil.org/the-players/interview-lesson-plans>

Lesson plans and worksheets for the Player interviews

<http://premierSkills.britishcouncil.org/the-clubs>

Articles on different topics with links to online activities and downloads (healthy eating, women's football, etc.)

Worksheets also available:

<http://premierSkills.britishcouncil.org/sites/premierSkills/files/premierSkills-players-worksheet-uk-expected-teacher.pdf>

<http://premierSkills.britishcouncil.org/sites/premierSkills/files/premierSkills-players-worksheet-uk-expected-learner.pdf>

### **Elementary Podcasts**

There are 20 podcasts currently available. The example from the workshop, and downloadable support pack:

<http://learnEnglish.britishcouncil.org/en/elementary-podcasts/series-01-episode-09>

<http://learnEnglish.britishcouncil.org/sites/podcasts/files/learnEnglish-podcasts-elementary-01-09-support-pack-transcript.pdf>

## TeachingEnglish

Try - practical ideas on TeachingEnglish website: <http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/try>

Articles: <http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/think/articles>

Teacher training materials: <http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/train>

Talk – blogs, forums etc: <http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/talk>

Guest Writers' blogs: <http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/talk/guest-writers>

Lesson plans from workshop:

<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/try/lesson-plans/environmental-problems>

<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/try/lesson-plans/opencities-%E2%80%93-lesson-4-settling-down-a-new-country>

Activity: Creating Vokis – online animated characters that speak

<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/try/activities/creating-vokis---online-animated-characters-speak>

Article: Controversies in using technology in Language Teaching by Pete Sharma

<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/think/articles/controversies-using-technology-language-teaching>

Article: On being resourceful... by Gavin Dudeney

<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/think/articles/being-resourceful>

## General links

To make mindmaps: <http://www.text2mindmap.com/>

To make word clouds: <http://www.wordle.net/create>

To look at word associations: <http://www.visuwords.com>

Visual representations of words: <http://flickriver.com>

To check maps: <http://maps.google.com>

To check facts about countries: <http://factbook.bodukai.com/>

To check pronunciation: <http://forvo.com/languages/en/>

To check collocations: <http://www.natcorp.ox.ac.uk/>

## LearnEnglish

Big City Small World: <http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/big-city-small-world>

Big City Small World - example of accompanying support pack (activities based on audio – printable)

<http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/sites/podcasts/files/learnenglish-big-city-small-world-01-01-support-pack.pdf>

Fun and Games section: <http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/fun-and-games>

Second Life for Teens: <http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/second-life>