

Abstract

What's Your Story?

Our students are keen to share their stories. They want to tell the world who they are, and what they do anywhere they can, online on social media, or offline in the places they meet. They are at an age where they are trying to work out their identity and what place they have in the world. This workshop will focus on how we can take advantage of this need in the classroom. How can inviting students to reflect on who they are and where they belong give them opportunities to improve their reading, listening, writing and speaking skills.

Biodata

Michael Lacey Freeman has been working in the field of ELT for over thirty years both as a teacher and as a materials writer. He is the co-author of a recent course book for upper secondary school 'New Identity'. He is also a storyteller and 20 of his stories have been published, five of which have won international awards. His most successful story, Egghead has been used in classrooms around the world to address the problem of bullying. Since 2017 he has been on the board of directors of the prestigious Extensive Reading Foundation, an organisation that promotes reading around the world.