

Your TEFL Journey: What You'll Learn

1. Basics of teaching awareness

What makes a good teacher

Deep dive into what makes a great online teacher

2. Introduction to understanding learners

L1 & L2 Learning

Learning Preferences

Positive classroom environment

3. Introduction to Teaching Methodologies

Synchronous & Asynchronous learning

Prescriptive vs Descriptive

Communicative Language Teaching

Teaching adults vs Teenagers

Online Teaching

4. Understanding Learners – Continued

Learner Levels

False Beginners vs Absolute Beginners

Challenges that some learners face

The Plateau Effect

How to influence and drive learner motivation

5. Language awareness

Introduction to linguistics

Paralinguistics

6. Introduction to Vocabulary

Lexis: a broader approach to vocabulary

Language Analysis

Teaching Vocabulary/ Lexis

7. Introduction to Grammar – Words & Tenses

Word Structure: from morphemes to inflection

Word Classes: Building blocks of meaning

Verb Tenses: How languages express time

Modal Verbs: Expressing possibility, advice and necessity

Phrases: Building meaningful units

Teaching Grammar: Words and verbs in the classroom

8. Introduction to Grammar – Sentences

From Clause to sentence: how meaning builds

Types of sentences

Understanding conditionals

Teaching Grammar

9. Introduction to Pronunciation

Vowels, Consonants, and syllables

Stress at syllable, word and sentence level

Rhythm

Intonation

Linking

Teaching Pronunciation

10. Teaching the 4 skills

Mastering Listening: challenges, skills, and strategies

Powerful Speaking: From hesitation to fluency

Mastering Reading: Strategies for success

Developing confident writers

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11. Lesson Planning – From Purpose to Practice

Why lesson planning matters
Planning for purpose
The 5-step lesson plan

12. Core Classroom Delivery Skills

Setting up your online classroom
Building and using daily routines in
the classroom
From clarity to confidence: talk time, eliciting,
and instructions
Learner interaction patterns – pairs and
small groups
Delivering controlled and freer practise

13. Responsive Teaching – Techniques That Put

Learners First
Positive reinforcement
Feedback and correction – supporting progress,
not just pointing out problems
Correcting with care – oral and
written approaches
Testing and assessment – checking progress in
meaningful ways

14. Responsive Teaching – The Multicultural Classroom

What is a culturally responsive teacher?
Understanding cultural expectations
in the classroom
Adapting your teaching and language use for
cultural contexts
Cultural differences in language structure
Handling cultural issues and difficult
conversations

15. Introduction to Lesson Content – What to Teach and Why

Where lesson planning meets content selection
Building a framework for content decisions
Practical content selection in the real world
Bringing content to life with practical activities
Preparing to adapt – setting beginner learners up
for success

16. Adapting Lesson Content – Tools, Timing, and Flexibility

Using the board effectively
Choosing, modifying and developing our materials
Creating your own materials – simple tools
that work
Managing pacing and lesson flow
Reflecting when things don't go to plan

17. Starting your first teaching job & Professional Development

How to prepare yourself for your 1st day
Teacher code of conduct
More than a teacher – understanding the full
scope of the role
Professional behaviour in the workplace
Looking ahead – reflecting, growing and thriving

18. Conclusion