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Title

Sing for Your English

Presenter

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Abstract

Learning English through song is a creative way to assist students in their language development. It can help students retain information they have learnt in class, as well as improve their pronunciation, literacy and grammar skills. Teaching language through song also promotes class bonding and provides valuable insights into new cultures and communities. This workshop uses songs from Carmel Davies and Sharon Duff's recently published Sing with me books and demonstrates how you can engage your students and liven up your classes by teaching songs at beginner through to advanced levels. It will also give teachers strategies to write their own songs that are relevant to their students' needs.

Sectors

Suitable for:

Upper Primary, Secondary & Adult

Biographies

Carmel Davies

Carmel Davies has over 20 years' experience teaching English language skills. She has written and co-written numerous EAL resources including 'What's the Law? Australian law for new arrivals', 'Pictures to Words' Book 1 and 'Sing with me'. She was recently awarded a Churchill Fellowship to travel and research 'ESL through Performance'. Carmel is currently a Co-Partner of Urban Lyrebirds and is presenting workshops on music and EAL.

Sharon Duff

Sharon Duff has 20 years' experience teaching, delivering workshops, and developing EAL resources for new migrants, including writing materials for the AMEP Distance Learning course 'Your Call'. She recently co-founded Urban Lyrebirds, and co-wrote the 'Sing with me!' series. She is currently a Co-Partner of Urban Lyrebirds, writing and presenting Sing for your English workshops.