

Topics for Workshops

1. Feuerstein's methods of cognitive education -

Participants gain an overview of the major aspects of this approach and its relevance to education in the 21st century

2. The hidden dimension of teaching: *Mediated Learning*

Experience - Participants learn about a powerful framework in which to analyse and discuss the quality of their intervention and understand its impact on students' learning

3. The Culture of the Thinking School - the Modifying

Environment - Participants learn about managing the *micro* and the *macro* aspects of creating a thinking school - establishing a whole-school philosophy and the interpersonal relationships within it.

4. Diagnostic teaching and dynamic assessment -

Participants learn how to understand why some children in the classroom appear to be more successful than others, and what the busy classroom teacher might do to help such children overcome their difficulties.

5. An introduction to Feuerstein' s *Instrumental Enrichment*

Participants are introduced to some of the key aspects of Feuerstein's powerful programme for teaching thinking skills - Instrumental Enrichment.

NB Full training in Instrumental Enrichment training carries international status. Certificates are awarded by The Independent Centre for Mediated Learning.

6. *Building Blocks of Learning* -

Provides participants with a powerful approach to teaching thinking skills relevant to developing literacy skills for Early Years and Key Stage One; and can be applied as a downward extension of Instrumental Enrichment suitable for Special Educational Needs.

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