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A free online course



Teaching for Success The Classroom and the World

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Dear ,

This is the first issue of our **#English4U** monthly newsletter for teachers, students and families along Cuba interested and passionate about the English language.

Our team from **British Council Cuba** have been working during the Coronavirus pandemic to come up with this monthly communication to stay connected through news, tips, success stories and learning opportunities linked to the scenario of teaching and learning English as a second language.

In this **first issue** you will find information on a free course to support your professional development, good news on ALC-GELI Summer Course 2020; some advanced reading and listening texts to help you on class; an invitation to be part of a collective poem as a response to the climate emergency and Covid-19 and much more!

We will also share experiences and resources from our partners and friends in Cuba, UK and from those whom we continue connected around the world. If you are an English language teacher or student, you'll love our newsletter! 😊

If you have a friend or colleague who may be interested in receiving our bulletin, please share this link to subscribe: <https://bit.ly/3ieOk9S>

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What's new?

In this section you will find relevant news and information for the ELT's and people interested in the English language learning and teaching. To break the ice, we invite you to enjoy reading the prestigious British magazine **Humanizing Language Teaching's June issue**, that has been dedicated to the wonderful work done by Cuban professors.

[Read the articles here](#)

Highlights

It is always a good time to look back and learn from the journey we have made together. Therefore, this section will be dedicated to highlight the best moments we have lived as part of **our joint work** with the Ministries of Education and Higher Education in Cuba. To start, we invite you to watch this video capsule that shares part of the history of our work on ELT scene in the country.

[Watch the video](#)

Learning tips and tools

This is where you will find free resources like online courses, webinars, blogs and books to support your professional development. This time we propose the online course **Teaching for Success: The Classroom and the World** ([link in the picture above](#)). Starting 12 Jul 2020 at 20:00 you can explore the 21st-century skills, interacting ICT and multilingual approaches to the English language teaching.

We also bring up **Murmuration**, an invitation shared by our colleagues from British Council Literature to be part of the "collective poem of our times". Open until the 1st of August you can participate sending your lines.

[How to send your lines](#)

Partners & friends

We are happy to share that the **ALC-GELI Summer Course 2020** has been rescheduled online due to the situation with COVID-19 pandemic. They have created a virtual space in WhatsApp to avoid excessive use of data so that the Course may be held online during the last week of July (from 27th to 31st).

If you're looking for advanced reading and listening texts [this site](#) has up to date lectures with some activities. From the Facebook page of our colleagues in [Saint Giles Educational Trust](#) comes this suggestion of a blog designed to help teachers provide original and authentic reading and listening materials for the classroom or homework. Don't miss it!

[Join the ALC-GELI course](#)

If you have any COVID-19 related experience, event, initiative or any special moment while taking part in one of our events that you would like to share, please send it to:

Cuba.Programme@britishcouncil.org

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