# CITY OF GLASGOW COLLEGE

### ESOL CONFERENCE ENGLISH LANGUAGE INDUSTRY ACADEMY



#### **Workshop D**

## Paul Dummett: Creating Critical Thinking Materials

Paul Dummett is a teacher and writer based in Oxford, UK, where he ran his own school teaching English to professionals from 1996 to 2006. He currently teaches children in Palestine with the Hands up project. His main interests in language teaching are the use of images, stories and activities that provoke deeper thought and how these can help to enhance learning. Seeking out writing projects that explore these interests led him to work with National Geographic Learning on titles such as *Life* and *Keynote*. He enjoys travel, exercise and live music/spoken word performance.

#### **Workshop Abstract**

#### The what, why and how of creating CT activities

In all the chatter surrounding critical thinking (CT), this workshop will focus in on what CT means in a language learning context, how a critical thinking approach can enhance language learning, and what critical thinking activities look like. A good part of the session will be devoted to the practical side of how we create these activities.