



South East Maths and English Newsletter January 2018

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Happy New Year from the ETF team!

The English and maths team at ETF wish you all a very happy and successful 2018! As a number of organisations in our region registered significant improvements in their GCSE and Functional Skills results in 2017, Claire and Judy wanted to remind everyone that the ETF CPD programmes are making a significant difference in the region. If you have areas of delivery or organisation that you wish to address for individual teachers or for whole teams of staff then feel free to get in touch. The exams are still 21 weeks away so ACT NOW to ensure success!!

ETF maths & English courses within reach of the South East

1. GCSE re-sits: develop your practice (L5) modules

Ideal for those with strong subject knowledge but little experience of teaching it

[L5 English](#)

Sussex Coast College – South East Dates TBC but around June/ July 2018 £400

[L5 maths](#)

Sussex Coast College Hastings, East Sussex 5 full days starting 5 February 2018 £400



2. Effective Practice in Assessment and Tracking: an introduction for managers and leaders

Ideal for managers looking for ways of improving results by redesigning assessment & tracking within the curriculum

Reading 10.01.18 £100

London 17.01.18 £100

Booking information and further details [here](#).

3. Effective Practice in Assessment and Tracking: an introduction for practitioners

Ideal for practitioners looking for a different approach to assessment and improving results: this is much more than a course about tracking systems; it is about what you do with the data you track and effective assessment for learning practices.

Reading 10.01.18 £100

London 17.01.18 £100

Booking information and further details [here](#).

4. Engage and Motivate Learners in maths and English

This is a two-day training course for teachers of maths or English. On day 1, teachers are provided with a wide range of practical ideas to increase learner motivation. They are then supported whilst they implement these ideas in their teaching and then return on day 2 to share their experiences and develop their ideas further.

There are currently no more booked for the South East. If you would like to host one please contact either Claire or Judy and they will be able to help.

5. Vocational Revitaliser (VR): an introduction

Ideal for vocational staff who are expected to deliver or embed maths and English. This course will introduce techniques they can use to develop their learners' confidence and abilities in maths & English. There are three options: English, maths and a combined English/maths course. More information can be found [here](#).

There are no courses currently booked in the South East. If you would like to host one please contact either Claire or Judy and they will be able to help.

6. Vocational Revitaliser (VR) Plus: developing your practice

Ideal for vocational staff who are expected to deliver or embed maths and English. We are delighted to announce that SET members can access these courses for a **discounted fee of £20** for a limited time only. SET members need to call booking support on 0800 0 831 830 to request their discount code/ make their booking.

Maths

London 29 Jan 2018 £100

Booking information and further details [here](#).



7. Maximise Progress at Entry Levels (maths and English)

Ideal for those who teach lower level Functional Skills

London 20 March 2018 £100

Booking information and further details [here](#).

8. Teach at Level 2: the complete introduction for non-specialists

This course will most benefit those who are new to or aspiring to teach GCSE or Functional Skills English or maths. This is a two-day course with an opportunity in between the two sessions to practise some of the ideas explored and develop your personal English or maths skills.

English Language

London 22 Feb and 15 March 2018 £175

Booking information and further details [here](#)

Maths

London 06 and 23 March 2018 £175

Booking information and further details [here](#)

9. Supporting learners effectively in Maths and English

Each course is made up of four modules which aim to develop the confidence, knowledge and skills of those supporting learners to help them understand clearly what learners need to know - and how to support them in developing it. Based on brand-new research, the four modules offer a blended learning approach for maximum impact.

All modules are run as twilight sessions from 3-7pm.

MATHS	ENGLISH
Module 1: Working effectively with your teacher	Module 1: Working effectively with your teacher
Module 2: Probability and statistics	Module 2: Grammar, punctuation and spelling
Module 3: Algebra and measure	Module 3: Reading critically and speaking
Module 4: Geometry and trigonometry	Module 4: Writing effectively and clearly, writing for impact, evaluating writing

Maths

London 2, 9, 16, 23 March £150

English

London 21 Feb, 7, 14, 21 March £150



Please note: Bursaries are available as follows:

- a) Single applicants £50 bursary (equivalent cost of 1 paid module)
- b) In-house only: a bursary of £150 bringing the cost down from £1185 to £1035.
- c) Mixed model: a bursary of £100 bringing the cost down from £825 to £725.

More than one bursary per provider is permitted.

There are other dates in other parts of the country. You can find out more information [here](#)

10. Core maths: delivering the qualifications with confidence and success all courses

This is a three-day course for practitioners who are teaching Core Maths and higher maths qualifications.

London 20, 21, 22 March 2018 £250

Booking information and further details [here](#)

11. Develop lesson observations and learning walks (maths and English)

This is a one-day course, followed by ten weeks of online support. It is aimed at managers of maths, English and vocational learning across organisations that are looking to improve the quality of learning in their organisation and develop a culture of open and reflective practice.

London 28 Feb £100

Booking information and further details [here](#)

12. Developing practice using digital technologies

Ideal for those who feel the learners are more technical than they are!

There are currently expressions of interest but no confirmed days booked for the South East. If you would like to host one please contact either Claire or Judy and they will be able to help.

[Digital Technology: developing your practice \(English\)](#) (target audience: GCSE and Functional English practitioners)

[Digital Technology: developing your practice \(Maths\)](#) (target audience: GCSE and Functional Maths practitioners)

[Digital Technology: developing your practice \(English & Maths\)](#) (target audience: Functional English and Maths practitioners).

13. Resilience: an introduction

This course introduces the key ideas of English resilience and the 'growth zone' model and how teachers can develop strategies to overcome barriers to learning. There are currently



no courses booked for the South East. Further information can be found here: [English, maths](#)

14. Resilience: develop your practice through coaching

This course provides an in-depth follow up to the Introduction to resilience course above and develops teachers' coaching skills as a tool to overcome learners' negative attitudes and anxiety towards maths and English, helping them to become resilient. There are currently no courses booked for the South East. Further information can be found here: [English, maths, combined maths and English course](#)

15. Assessment for Learning: develop your practice ([maths](#))

Assessment for learning: develop your practice ([English](#))

There are currently no confirmed courses booked for the South East. Further information can be found on the links. If you would like to host one please contact either Claire or Judy and they will be able to help.

Discounts on all courses are available to SET members. Full details of all courses, and how to book them, can be found on the [ETF website](#).

Achieving Skills Excellence web-share – competition activity in the curriculum: raising the standard of study programmes for students with SEND

WEDNESDAY 31 JANUARY 2018 12.30 pm [BOOK HERE](#) (There is no cost to attend this event.)

Are you keen to ensure that the vocational skills your students with SEND are developing meet employers' high standards? Are you committed to giving *all* your students the opportunity to be the best they can be? If you are interested in trying new teaching approaches and working with your industry partners to set the standards, then engaging your learners in competition activity could be for you.

This web share will provide practical tips and guidance to support practitioners in:

- using competition activity in the vocational curriculum
- raising standards through engaging in competition
- getting employers on board

Early booking is advisable as our previous 2 events sold out in days. If you find it's fully booked email webinar@acer.ac.uk to be added to a waiting list.



New professional development programme to support the teaching of Functional Skills in maths and English

ETF and partners have developed courses for teachers of Functional Skills maths and English using a new set of materials, developed by Pye Tait Consulting on behalf of ETF, to support the teaching and learning of these qualifications.

The content of the materials is engaging and will help build learner confidence. They're appropriate to a range of contexts, including 16-19 learners, apprentices, adult returners, learners in prisons and ESOL, and can be used in both high and low-tech teaching environments.

The offer comprises:

- **Interactive webinars** introducing the materials and how they can be used. 1.5 hrs duration and can be run as in-house events, for example, as part of a staff development event or team meeting. £25 per head.
- **One-day practitioner courses** (one maths and one English) that will enable practitioners to explore the Functional Skills subject materials in depth and understand the underpinning approaches that shape them
- **Two-day, in-house CPD courses** that will enable teams of Functional Skills teachers to receive bespoke support to meet their learners' needs and secure high-quality learning outcomes.

Courses will be delivered from February 2018. Please contact us in the meantime if you have any questions or if you are interested in hosting any of these courses.

Significant discounts for SET Members

Be the best teacher and trainer you can be, with CPD from the Education and Training Foundation (ETF). Society for Education and Training (SET) members are being given the opportunity to save up to £80 on a special selection of ETF courses focusing on digital skills, maths and English.

How do I access this offer?

1. Call ETF booking support on 0800 0831 830. If you are unable to call please email bookingsupport@etfoundation.co.uk.
2. Quote 'Subsidised SET places' and your membership number.
3. Your booking will be processed and you'll be asked to pay a £20 administration fee.
4. If you have any questions specifically about the courses, please email bookingsupport@etfoundation.co.uk.

Please note: Only one course place is available per person.