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## **Financial Assistance for Action Research Projects**

### ■July 2018.

### Dear All,

Thanks to Dr. S.S.Rajagopalan, our Donor, financial assistance will be provided for Action Research project proposals submitted by the following members for encasement of the learning of English by their students

- 1. Prof. K.C. Mishra.
- 2. K. Chandrasekharan.
- 3. Dr. S.D. Kiran
- 4. Dr. Zulaiha
- 5. Dr. Shermila
- 6. Dr. Shravan Kumar
- 7. Dr. Madhavi Reddy.
- A few more will be selected soon.

TBAK College for Women, Kilakarai, is one of the ten institutions selected for a grant of Rs.10,000 for undertaking an Action Research project for promoting the reading habit among its students. thanks to Dr. S.S.Rajagopalan, one of our Donor members. A Reading Club has

been started and a number of new books have been bought. Students are asked to write a brief review of the books they have read and asked to present them at the fortnightly seminars held Thus the integration of reading with writing and speaking too are ensured



### Dear All,

Based on the assessment made by me and the Joint Secretary of the work done by our chapters, it is decided to give he Best Chapter Award this year to the Greater Noida chapter. and also an Award to the Aligarh chapter, one of our newly formed chapters. S. Rajagopalan

### Members are informed that IATEFL

memberships under its WMS have not yet been allotted to us this year. They may apply for its Basic membership if they want. Details are given in the IATEFL website. S. Rajagopalan The Ramanathapuram Chapter of ELTAI has signed an MoU with the Rotary Club of Ramnad to organize RYLA (Rotary Youth Ladership Awards) for the District students of Ramanathapurm in collaboration with the ELTAI Ramanathapuram Chapter from the year 2018-19.

## **®UPDATES FROM CHAPTERS**

A Report on One Week Faculty Development Program on "Using Cultural Products as Authentic Materials for Language Learning"

Jointly organized by Career Development Cell &Parul Institute of Arts, Parul University in association with ELTAI, Vadodara Chapter.

Program co-coordinators: Prof. Pradyumansinh Raj & Prof. Manisha Banani

Date: 23 June to 30 June 2018. Day 1: 23 June 2018. Topic: Using Cultural Products as Authentic Material for Language Learning

FDP was inaugurated with an introduction to ELTAI, Vadodara Chapter and the theme of using cultural products as authentic material for language learning and teaching. Applying Task based language teaching and learning for the same was also discussed in detail. Icebreaking language learning specific tasks were conducted on day 1. Day 2: 25 June 2018

Topic: Using Literature for Language Learning

The event was initiated by Prof. Punit Pathak. The event started by giving a small PowerPoint presentation on the topic 'Using Literature for Language Learning'. In the first task, participants were asked to do a double translation of one short story about a dentist and his patient. Then the story was presented by one participant from each group according to various parameters like socio-cultural implications, ideologies etc. Next task was to prepare a script and perform a small role-play based on the second story about a married couple on the cusp of divorce. Later, feedback forms were filled by the participants. Below are some glimpses of FDP.

Day 3: 26 June 2018

Topic: Using Films for Language Learning

The session started with an introductory talk on how movies can help individuals in language learning followed by discussion. Participants were involved in different activities like vocabulary building, pronunciation game, plenary discussion, enacting the movie scene etc... Session was conducted successfully with active involvement of each individual.

Topic: Using Songs and Music for Language Learning

Session was started with a peaceful music following by listening to songs and lyric gap filling activity. Singing well known nursery rhymes by using the rhythm of favorite songs of participants, Lip sync of Hollywood movie songs, singing in chorus, singing and dancing as shown in the video song, completing the lyrics by selecting correct answer from the given confusables, etc... activities were conducted throughout the day were participants were overwhelmed by the variety of exercises which can be converted into pedagogical tasks.

#### Day 5: 28 June 2018

Topic: Using Advertising for Language Learning The event was started by giving 'guess the task. followed bv explaining topic' advertisement formula AIDA (attract, interest, desire, ask), advert image description, slogan writing with reference to applying knowledge of figures of speech, discussion on video adverts of same products in different cultures and finally it ended with developing a script for particular product and enacting advertisement on stage. Participants appreciated the concept of using advertisements as authentic tool for language learning.

Day 6: 29 June 2018

Topic: Using Newspapers for Language Learning

The event started by discussing the importance and relevance of newspapers in the lives of students as well as teachers. Just after that a healthy debate was initiated in the group about which was a better medium, newspapers or the internet. Participants were first made aware of the different sections present in a newspaper followed by a discussion on how to use each section for different learning purposes in the class. The most interesting part of the session was the activity where the participants wrote advertisement endorsing them for an matrimony. Following this there were a number of activities done- Obituary-writing, Critical analysis of articles, Guess the headline, Match the article with the headline, Articlewriting, Paragraph reconstruction, to name a

few. Overall, it was a fun-filled and informative session.

Day 7: 30 June 2018

Topic: Using Broadcast Media for Language Learning

This session emphasized on using the influence of television and radio on people as medium of communication for teaching and learning language. The activities included various formats of broadcast medium like daily soaps, reality shows, advertisements, jingles etc.







#### **ELT@I Bhopal Chapter**

The Chapter organised a One- day National Workshop on Assessment and **Evaluation as Valuable tools for Optimal Teaching and learning Interaction** in English Language Classrooms on 16 April 2018. The inaugural session began with the invocation of the Muse in the form of lighting of Lamp. The Patron of the Chapter Dr. Jagtar Kaur Chawla, Retd. Professor and Head, Department of English, BSSS, in her welcome speech thanked the BSSS College for providing the pedestal to inaugurate the ELT@I Bhopal Chapter. Prof. G.A. Ghanshyam Iyengar, the National President of ELTAI, Professor & Head, Department of English, Govt. Lahiri PG College, Chirmiri, Chhattisgarh, officially inaugurated the Chapter with the flashing of banner on screen amidst the huge applaud from the participants. In his address,

he highlighted the importance of ELT@I, (an affiliate of IATEFL & TESOL, UK) stating that it is the largest network of teachers of English in India. He shared with the audience that ELT@I is a platform for the Continuous Professional Development (CPD) of its members by periodically organising seminars and workshops. He congratulated the members who came forward to frame and form this much awaited Chapter at Bhopal.

The target participants for the Workshop were English teachers from various schools and colleges. The event witnessed a total of 84 participation from 41 different institutes. The event culminated fruitfully on a positive note.







# Report of ELTAI Ramanathapuram (TBAKC) Chapter

The Student wing of Ramanthapuram Chapter of ELTAI, in collaboration with the APJ Abdul Kalam Central Library, TBAKC inaugurated the Reading Club on **23.06.2018**. 37 PG Students have enrolled as members in the reading club. Students were made to read online newspapers and short stories and submitted the reviews of their reading. Staff-in-charge Ms. Kansul Mahiriba introduced the objectives of Reading Club and Ms. Ganimozhi presented the Action Plan of the year.



**ELT@I BILASPUR CHAPTER** 

## Workshop- Topic:HOW TO WRITE AN ABSTRACT AND RESEARCH PAPER

ELT@I Bilaspur Chapter organised a workshop on the topic "How to Write an Abstract and Research Paper" on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at Govt. Multipurpose Higher Secondary School, Bilaspur. The Resource Person of the Workshop was Dr. Shabnam Das Manna, Asst. Professor, VJIM, Hyderabad.

The workshop started with an Inaugural Session presided over by the Special Guest Dr. Gulshan Das, Resource Person Dr. Shabnam Das Manna and the Chapter President Dr. Devasree Chakravarti. After a brief welcome and introduction of the guests by Mr. Rakesh Dighraskar, Vice President, ELT@I Bilaspur Chapter, the stage was handed over to the Resource Person Dr. Manna who started the workshop with the introduction of participants.

Dr. Manna started her presentation by discussing in detail what is meant by a research

paper. Forming a hypothesis and stating the problem, selecting a title, framing the outline, the method and the format involved in writing a research paper were dealt comprehensively by the Resource Person. The session was interactive and the participants took an active part in it by answering the questions posed by the Dr. Manna.





#### A TRIBUTE TO SHIVAJI KUSHWAHA



Shivaji Kushwaha, Chief Tutor, Govt. Institute of Advance Study in Education, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh left for the heavenly abode on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

Born on 20<sup>th</sup> December 1956 in a middle class family of a teacher in Railway School, Shivaji Kushwaha completed his primary and secondary education in Bhilai and did his M.A. in English Literature from Durga College, Raipur, Chhattisgarh. He joined the service as a Lecturer of English in a Govt. School and went on to do his PGCTE, PGDTE and M.Phil from EFLU, Hyderabad. He was associated with EFLU as an external examiner too.

He was instrumental in starting the project called "English is Fun" to teach English through Radio to the school students.

He worked in RIE, Bengaluru, Karnataka for a few years and has conducted various sessions on teaching and learning methodologies in the states of South India.

He was awarded the British Council Scholarship to do M.A. in TESOL from Lancaster University, England.

He was an experimentalist who used to experiment with various approaches in teaching and learning of English.

He was associated with ELT@I and was also the President of ELT@I Bilaspur Chapter. Under his leadership Bilaspur Chapter has bagged the Best Chapter Award in 2012.

Mr. Shivaji was not only a teacher but he was also actively involved in theatre and literary activities. A great orator, he was a champion of speaking on any topic given to him with utmost sincerity. A very simple, sober and down to earth person, Mr. Kushwaha used a bicycle throughout his life as a means of conveyance that bespoke eloquently of his simplicity and humble approach to life.

The fraternity has lost a committed, dedicated, disciplined, sincere, gentle and experimental teacher as well as an exceptional human being.

He left behind his aged parents, brothers, sister, wife and two daughters.

## **& UPDATES FROM SIGs** CS

## ELT@I Business English SIG

National Workshop on 'Perspectives in Business English Training' organized by ELTAI Business English SIG in collaboration with Ethiraj College. Chennai.

28 July 2018.

Conducted by EVAN FRENDO, Joint Coordinator, IATEFL Business English Special Interest Group (BESIG) Registration fee (inclusive of lunch, Tea and Participation certificate) Rs.800 (For ELTAI members) Rs.1000 (For others). Only limited places. Apply early. For workshop brochure and other details contact Mrs. Lalitha Murthy, coordinator, at



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## **SOCALL FOR PAPERS** CS

Dear all,

### Greetings!

The Journal of Teaching and Research in English Literature, an international peer-reviewed openaccess journal published by ELTAI Literature SIG, has been moved to a new (paid) website, as per the new guidelines of UGC. Please visit it at <u>www.jtrel.in</u>

Many of you are aware that the journal was recently removed from UGC's list of approved journals. We were asked to run the journal on a dedicated paid website. So far, we have not charged the authors for submission and publication of their papers. It has been free to read as well. We want to continue the same. The journal is financially supported by ELTAI from its members' subscription. Hence, **we have decided to give preference to the papers of short-term and donor members of ELTAI**. A non-member author will be asked to obtain membership if their paper is accepted for publication. We will not charge for submission or publication. It will remain free as always.

We have also revised our editorial and submission policies. Please read more about them at <u>http://jtrel.in/policies.html</u>.

Our journal was in UGC's list till 2nd May 2018. So all the papers that were published before that date are valid and accepted by UGC (Please refer UGC's guidelines in this regard).

We are sending our journal to UGC for approval again. We will definitely get it enlisted again before the end of July. Meanwhile, our editors are busy reviewing new submissions for the next issue which is due in July 2018. We are open for submissions. All submissions must be made according to the new guidelines and procedures (Refer <u>http://jtrel.in/submit.html</u>).

We haven't yet moved all the previous issues to the new site. We are currently working on it. It will take at least a month to complete that. So, by the end of June, you will be able to access all the previous issues in our journal.

We are also making arrangements to index our journal in EBSCO, SCOPUS, MLA, DOAJ, and ERIH. The work is under process.

The January 2019 issue will be our 10th-anniversary issue. We are planning to bring it as a themebased special issue. We need your suggestions in this regard. **Write your suggestions and comments to the editor at <u>editor.jtrel@gmail.com</u>** 

Thank you for your continuous support.

Regards

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### Journal of Teaching and Research in English Literature

The Journal of Teaching and Research in English Literature (JTREL) is a peer-reviewed (online) journal published four times a year by Literature Special Interest group of ELTAI. It is a UGC approved journal. Research papers on literature, literary theories, Cultural Studies and methods of teaching literature can be submitted all through the year. Send your articles as an email attachment to *editor.jtrel@gmail.com* with a copy to *eltai\_india@yahoo.co.in*For more details about the journal, visit *https://sites.google.com/site/journalofenglishliterature* 

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### **The ELT Practitioner**

The ELT Practitioner is an online journal published four times a year by ELTAI. Articles on ELT can be submitted all through the year. Send your papers to *ramanipn@gmail.com* with a copy to *eltai\_india@yahoo.co.in*For more details about the journal, visit *https://sites.google.com/site/theeltpractitioner* 

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Concession in Registration fees for ELTAI members. For further particulars visit www.icelts.org

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Would you like to become a member of ELTAI? Would you like to participate in professional development activities at your place? Would you like to organise a professional development programme in your institution? Contact the convenor of the nearest chapter.

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