



14th Annual Cambridge English Spring Seminar 24 – 25 March 2018

Workshop Descriptions

Workshops on Writing for Level B1 Cambridge English: Preliminary

1. Writing in everyday life:

- what types of texts people write in their first language and in the foreign language they study
- how has the focus and role of writing changed in recent times
- writing skills as basic life skills

2. Teaching writing as a skill:

- the distinction between product-focused writing development and process-focused writing development
- writing as product: approaches to teaching and classroom activities
- writing as process: approaches to teaching and classroom activities
- reading for writing development: the role of receptive skills in the development of writing

3. Writing and exams:

- overview of the Cambridge English Preliminary Writing paper
- strategies, techniques and tips for Writing Part 1: transformations
 - balance between accuracy and fluency in writing
- strategies, techniques and tips for Writing Part 2: short communicative message
 - interaction, transaction
 - conciseness and clarity
- strategies, techniques and tips for Writing Part 3: longer continuous writing
 - letter writing: form, structure, register
 - story writing: narrative structure, range of expression

4. Success at the writing exam

- key learning points for the Cambridge English Preliminary Writing paper