

Paul Seligson: Biodata

Paul Seligson has been involved in TEFL for 30 years and is well-known throughout Latin America for giving lively, highly practical talks and training sessions.

He has taught in Algeria, France, Egypt, Venezuela, the UK and Spain where he was ADOS for 5 years at the British Council in Valencia. He also set up and ran his own school in Brighton and has vast experience at all levels of school management.

He has an MA in TEFL and is a CELTA assessor and LCCI examiner. His many primary, secondary and adult publications include Helping Students to Speak for the Richmond Teacher's Handbook Series, which he also edits, English File (OUP), Power 1 and 2 (Richmond), English Teacher's Portfolio (British Council, Brazil) and Richmond Essential English Course 1-5.

He has trained teachers in over 35 countries, including (in this continent) Argentina, Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Chile and last year, for the first time, in Central America too. He has run COTE, DOTE, CELTA, DELTA, FTBE, Graduate and Post-graduate courses and given hundreds of conference sessions worldwide, in Spanish and French too. He has also done consultancy work at scores of universities in Europe, North Africa, Western and Central Asia and Latin America. Recently he has been setting up observation programmes in three continents too.

He works from Brighton as a freelance teacher, trainer, author and consultant. This will be his second time in Guatemala and he's delighted to be coming back.

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In total, he has published well over 40 books, at primary, secondary and adult levels, either as author, co-author, editor or consultant along with scores of a



Publications:

Muzzy in Gondoland: Teacher's Guide (BBC, 1991) with J. Revell [Primary]

Mosaic 1-3 (Pearson, 1991-4) with M. Hinton [Secondary]

Buzz 1-3 (BBC/Pearson, 1991-4) with J. Revell [Primary]

English File 1 & 2 (OUP, 1996-7) with C. Oxenden [Adult]

Helping Students to Speak (Richmond, 1997) [Methodology]

Prepositions (Zastrugi, 1998) [Methodology]

Your Turn Next: Teacher's Books 1 & 2 (Richmond, 1999) [Secondary]

Interlink 1 to 6 (Cultura Inglesa, Brazil, 2002-4) [Series consultant & TB author, Adult]

Can Do 1 to 4 (Richmond, 2003-5) [Series consultant & TB author, Secondary]

Power 1 & 2 (Richmond, 2004-5) with Bill Bowler [Pre-University]

New English File Elementary & Pre-Int. (OUP, 2004-5) with C. Oxenden [Adult]

English Teacher's Portfolio (British Council, July 2006) [a 100 hour CD-lead language improvement course for low-level secondary teachers]

Connexion 1 to 4 (Cultura Inglesa, Brazil, 2004-7) [Series consultant]

American English File Elementary & Pre-Int. (OUP, 2007-8) with C. Oxenden [Adult]

Awesome 1 to 3 (Richmond, 2008-9) [with S. Brewster, US English secondary course for Mexico]

Essential English 1-5 (Richmond, 2009) Adult, international short course

Other publications

- Articles in ETP, EFL Gazette, over 20 international journals & some training via *youtube.com*
- Consultant on several books for Turkish universities including academic writing & a dictionary of ELT terminology.
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His areas of special interest in ELT include pragmatic teacher training & development, observation, autonomous learning, the four skills & how to teach them, pronunciation, error correction, testing & evaluation, Business English & all aspects of classroom management.