



2015 Bell Teacher Campus (Macao)



Jim Scrivener

Plenary Talk
Wednesday 15th July
(4.20 - 6.00 pm)

Wui Chi Building
Lecture Theatre 1

Humans, Dragons, Bears: Stories of All Kinds

"We owe it to each other to tell stories."
— Neil Gaiman (British Author)

Humans have told stories since the earliest times. And stories have always been at the heart of learning. I sometimes wonder why we are so obsessed with the generic, slightly dull "authentic" texts in our coursebooks yet rarely use the power of an interesting, thrilling, inspiring story.

This very practical seminar will engage you in a number of story-based activities that you can use with your classes, whether young or old. You will leave with some instantly usable classroom activity ideas and some (I hope) memorable stories.

Biography

Jim Scrivener is Teacher Training Ambassador for Bell Educational Services. He also works as a freelance writer, consultant, teacher, trainer, and conference speaker.

His best known books include *Learning Teaching* (Macmillan ELT), *Teaching English Grammar* (Macmillan ELT), *Classroom Management Techniques* (Cambridge) and *Visual Grammar - A2 and B1 levels* (Richmond). His work has twice won HRH Duke of Edinburgh English Speaking Union Awards. He also won the Ben Warren International House Trust award and has been shortlisted three times for British Council ELTONS Innovations awards.

Recently, along with Adrian Underhill, Jim has been sowing the idea of a more challenge-rich, engagement-rich, learning-centred teaching known as "Demand-High". Find their website at demandhighelt.wordpress.com and their Facebook page at [Facebook.com/DemandHighELT](https://www.facebook.com/DemandHighELT)

Jim lives in Hastings, a historic coastal town in South-East England (famous for a battle that didn't actually take place there!) He is married to Noémi and has two grown-up sons - Alex and Ben - a young daughter, Maisie and an even smaller son, Orlando.