





Immersion Course for Teachers of English

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1. Aktivnost "Gallery walk - Scotland"

Dijakom povemo, da se bomo v parih sprehodili po Škotski. Na stenah imamo nalepljene slike z manjkajočim "naslovom" (priloga št. 1). Dijaki v dvojicah poskušajo ugotoviti, za katero znamenitost oz. posebnost Škotske gre. Nato mednje razdelimo besedila (priloga št. 1). Dijaki nalepijo besedilo k ustrezni sliki. Sledi kontrola. K tej nalogi lahko pripravimo vprašanja, na katera morajo dijaki odgovoriti. Pripravimo lahko tudi različne »true-false«-izjave o besedilih na steni, ki jih v plenumu predebatiramo.

2. Aktivnost "Reciprocal reading"

Dijake razdelimo v skupine po štiri. Vsak v skupini dobi določeno vlogo (napisane na karticah, priloga št. 2):

- a. "Summariser", ki povzame vsebino besedila;
- b. "Questioner", ki glede na vsebino pripravi vprašanja za svojo skupino;
- c. "Clarifier", ki pojasni neznane besede/fraze in težka mesta v besedilu (lahko ima slovar);
- d. "Predictor", ki predvideva, kako se zgodba/vsebina/problem odvija naprej.

Med skupine nato razdelimo določeno besedilo (en primer v prilogi št. 3), ki ga nato vsak v tišini prebere skozi oči svoje vloge. Nato sledi "podelitev" znotraj skupine. Lahko pripravimo več krajših besedil in aktivnost večkrat ponovimo, pri tem pa dijaki znotraj skupine menjajo vloge.

3. Aktivnost "The improvisation game"

Dijaki morajo brez časa za pripravo govoriti o določeni temi 60 sekund. Enkrat lahko izbrano kartico tudi zamenjajo (priloga št. 4).

Priloga št. 1: Gallery walk



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Haggis is Scotland's national dish and the crowning glory of a traditional Burns Supper, and although it's an object of Scottish culinary fascination around the world, it certainly is not a beauty queen. But take our word when we say that what haggis lacks in appearance it certainly makes it up in its taste! This enduringly popular dish is a type of savoury pudding that combines meat with oatmeal, onions, salt and spices. Often served with the classic sides of bashed neeps and mashed tatties (that's Scots for turnip and potatoes), haggis is traditionally cooked in a sheep's stomach (a historic way of preserving meat).

https://www.visitscotland.com/see-do/food-drink/haggis/



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Edinburgh Castle has played a pivotal role in Scottish history, both as a royal residence – King Malcolm Canmore (r 1058–93) and Queen Margaret first made their home here in the 11th century – and as a military stronghold. The castle last saw military action in 1745; from then until the 1920s it served as the British army's main base in Scotland. Today it is one of Scotland's most atmospheric and popular tourist attractions.



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Arthur's Seat offers one of the best views of the city. It's a short, slightly strenuous hike to the highest point, but absolutely worth it to look out over Edinburgh from this vantage point. Arthur's Seat is located in Holyrood Park, at the end of the Royal Mile. This large, grass covered hill is the remains of an extinct volcano that erupted 350 million years ago. Arthur's Seat is the highest point of this extinct volcano.

Although the origin of the name is uncertain, some claim that there is a connection between Edinburgh and King Arthur.

https://www.earthtrekkers.com/arthurs-seat-volcano-edinburgh/



St. A _ _ _ _ _

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St. Andrews is one of Scotland's most well-known destinations. The town has long been a bastion of education — the University of St. Andrews is the third-oldest university in the English-speaking world — and it has become a kind of Mecca for golf enthusiasts, for the game was born here in the 15th century. Another compelling reason to visit St. Andrews: St. Andrews Cathedral. Wedged against the sea, St. Andrews Cathedral is a glorious ruin with a rich history stretching back nearly 900 years.

https://www.traveling-savage.com/2015/12/30/other-reason-visit-st-andrews/



The Scottish T _ _ _ _ _

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England has the rose, Wales the daffodil, Ireland the shamrock and Scotland ... the thistle. Second only to tartan, nothing quite says 'Scotland' like this humble, prickly weed. In truth, no one knows for certain how the purple-flowered thistle rose to such lofty significance. But one legend has it a sleeping party of Scots warriors were saved from ambush by an invading Norse army when one of the enemies trod on the spiky plant.

His anguished cry roused the slumbering warriors who duly vanquished the invader and adopted the thistle as their national symbol.

https://www.visitscotland.com/blog/edinburgh-lothians/sherlock-holmes/



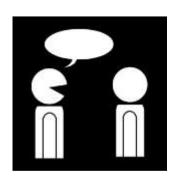
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This beautiful loch located near Inverness is shrouded in mystery. Tales of a large monster living deep beneath the dark expanses of Loch Ness have circulated the world since the first photograph emerged in 1933. With over 1,000 eyewitness accounts, sightings and unexplained evidence, scientists continue to be baffled by the existence of Nessie.

Loch Ness contains more water than all the lakes of England and Wales combined, making it the most voluminous lake in the UK. This corner of the Highlands is world-famous for its dramatic scenery, great adventure sports and nearby castles and solitary lighthouses dotting the landscape. https://www.visitscotland.com/destinations-maps/loch-ness/

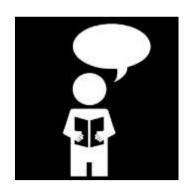
Priloga št. 2: Reciprocal reading - cards



1. The Summariser

Highlight the key ideas in the text.

Tell the group what you have read in your own words.



2. The Questioner

Ask questions to help your group understand what has been read.

Question starters:

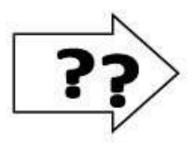
Who? Where? When? Why? What? How? What if?



3. The Clarifier

Clarify hard parts, difficult words.

You may use a dictionary to find out meanings.



4. The Predictor

Use clues from what you have read to work out what might happen next.

Priloga št. 3: Reciprocal reading – text

10 grand challenges we'll face by 2050

1. Genetic modification of humans

Debates among scientists started roaring last year over a new technology that lets us edit human DNA. It's called Crispr (pronounced 'crisper') and it's a means of altering people's DNA to carve diseases like cancer out of the equation. Sounds great, right? But what if takes a dark ethical turn, and it turns into a vanity project to churn out 'designer babies', selecting embryos that produce babies that will have a certain amount of intelligence or that have certain physical characteristics? While it's still not widely used enough to be considered a current "grand challenge", this is an up-and-coming advancement whose wide-ranging repercussions we need to be prepared for – and it's all the more reason to ensure ethicists have a seat at the table at every laboratory, university and corporation that might be itching to alter our DNA.

Adapted from an article on http://www.bbc.com, 13 July 2017, by Bryan Lufkin

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2. New geopolitical tensions

The past year has seen a complete upset of our geopolitics' fragile balance. That could make the global stability of the next couple of decades a complete question mark. North Korean missile launches. Thousands of refugees crossing borders to flee turmoil. Hackers meddling in other nations' elections. Rising nationalist sentiment worldwide. Headlines have been dominated by never-ending political drama that's been fuelling a 'geopolitical minefield' – whether it's managing unpredictable North Korea, the plight of Syrian refugees, or Britain's transition from the European Union. Throw in widespread hacking, nuclear missiles and other dangerous technology, and it's easy to see why maintaining basic diplomacy becomes vital.

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Grand challenges we'll face by 2050

3. Lost cities

You don't need to look very hard in a place like Miami to see how cities are changing in the 21st century – rising sea levels are gradually making some of them disappear. Fuelled by climate change, not only are floods becoming more common in the streets, but the changing weather patterns have also influenced building design. Aside from more sea walls, the city is requiring all new buildings be built with their first floor built higher. But that's all a sticking- plaster solutions – if current trends continue, we may have to come to terms with losing whole swathes of cities, islands and low-lying regions such as Bangladesh. The economic impact to regions will be profound, and climate refugees could become the norm. Pressure is already growing on cities, as urban populations grow. If climate change forces mass migration, then existing infrastructure, services and economies may be stretched to breaking point.

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4. The evolution of social media

Social media has complicated the way we communicate for the better part of a decade. And it's not going anywhere anytime soon, given that most people get their news from it now. That's before we even get into the mess of online harassment, as well. What might social media look like in 30 years, and by that time, what are some threats it might pose? A world with no privacy, for one. That's one problem we're already seeing. And besides weathering away our sense of and desire for anonymity and privacy, social media brings with it the many problems of cyberbullying too. Many charities and non-profit organizations across the world have mobilized in the fight against internet trolls, but it's an open question about whether law enforcement agencies and the social media companies can fix it or whether it will get worse. Then there's also the problem of our information diet to consider: if the status quo of fake news remains, how will that shape how people see the world?

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Priloga št. 4: Speech topics

Speech Topic:

You are a mad scientist. Tell us about your latest invention.

Speech Topic:

You are an ant. Convince an anteater to not eat you.

Speech Topic:

Is a glass half-full or half empty? Explain your choice.

Speech Topic:

Convince us that homework is harmful to your health.

Speech Topic:

What is the biggest effect of the Internet?

Speech Topic:

What television program should be banned and why?

Speech Topic:

How to best impress your parents/guardians.

Speech Topic:

Tell us about a nickname you have and how you got it.

Speech Topic:

What moral issue best defines you?

Speech Topic:

Why books are important.

Speech Topic:

Does technology live up to its promise?

Speech Topic:

You started as just a paperboy, but now you are rich. How did you become a millionaire?

Imagine your school had school lunches. What would happen if you were in charge of school lunches?

Speech Topic:

Apple vs Android

Speech Topic:

Xbox One vs PS4

Speech Topic:

PC vs Console

Speech Topic:

You are a piece of paper. Describe how we should use you before you get recycled.

Speech Topic:

What not to say to a police officer when pulled over?

Speech Topic:

The best excuse for not doing your homework.

Speech Topic:

Create a myth that explains why pelicans have large beaks.

Speech Topic:

If you were an animal, what would you be and why? (Optional: What would your patrons be?)

Speech Topic:

You are a salesperson trying to sell us the shirt you have on.

Speech Topic:

If you were the teacher, how would our class be different?

Speech Topic:

Why should you be prime minister?

Explain three different ways to eat an Oreo cookie.

Speech Topic:

Describe how you would modify a snail so it can go faster.

Speech Topic:

Describe the life cycle of a frog or butterfly.

Speech Topic:

Is knowledge more important than wisdom?

Speech Topic:

Gandalf vs Dumbledore

Speech Topic:

Ghosts I would like to meet

Speech Topic:

Are zoos immoral?

Speech Topic:

Dogs vs Cats

Speech Topic:

Would you kill baby Hitler if you could travel back in time and why?

Speech Topic:

What would happen if aliens visited earth?

Speech Topic:

Cloning people

Speech Topic:

What would your superpower be?

Would you want to be a vampire or a werewolf?

Speech Topic:

Would you be a Jedi or a Sith?

Speech Topic:

If I could be a certain age forever, I would be ...

Speech Topic:

When I was a kid, I was scared of ...

Speech Topic:

What is your plan during a zombie apocalypse?

Speech Topic:

What is your plan if you were shipwrecked on a deserted island?

Speech Topic:

Would you go to Mars?

Speech Topic:

Professional athletes are overpaid

Speech Topic:

Brains vs Beauty vs Brawn (well-developed muscles)

Speech Topic:

Batman vs Superman

Speech Topic:

Puppy sized elephant or elephant sized puppy?

Speech Topic:

If you could combine two animals, what animals would you choose?

Should movie adaptions be 100% faithful to the book?

Speech Topic:

Is lying always wrong?

Specell Topic.

Speech Topic:

Top 5 uses for duct tape.

Speech Topic:

Are selfies dumb?

Speech Topic:

Is trolling a kind of bullying?

Speech Topic:

Argue for your favorite snack.

Speech Topic:

What would you do in a nuclear apocalypse?

Speech Topic:

What would your first action as president of the whole world be?

Speech Topic:

Would you rather be ruled by dogs or by cats?

Speech Topic:

What would you do if you were in the Hunger Games?

Speech Topic:

How many 8 year olds would it take to defeat you in battle?

Speech Topic:

How to mess up a first date.

What is your biggest pet peeve? (Pet peeve = Thing that annoys you)

Speech Topic:

What you should not say at a funeral.

Speech Topic:

Convince the group that the moon landing was faked.

Speech Topic:

Does alien life exist?

Speech Topic:

How would you plan your own funeral?

Speech Topic:

Should the age to vote be reduced to 16?

Speech Topic:

What would you do if you won the lottery?

Speech Topic:

Is reality TV bad for society?

Speech Topic:

What would heaven/the afterlife be like?

Speech Topic:

Is honesty the best policy?

Speech Topic:

Should there be age limits on movies?

Speech Topic:

Do video games increase violence in society?

How would you solve overpopulation?

Speech Topic:

Is free will real?

Speech Topic:

Is chess a real sport?

Speech Topic:

Which games should be included in the Olympics?

Speech Topic:

Should performance-enhancing drugs be legal to use in sports?

Speech Topic:

Who should own the moon?

Speech Topic:

Pirates vs Ninjas

Speech Topic:

What is the best music genre?

Speech Topic:

What would you say to your 12-year-old self if you could talk to them now?

Speech Topic:

Should old people (70+) be allowed to drive?

Speech Topic:

Do celebrities get away with more crime than non-celebrities do?

Speech Topic:

Is it effective to censor parts of the media?

Sinterklaas vs Christmas

Speech Topic:

Your favorite holiday destination

Speech Topic:

Convince the group to delete their Facebook profile.

Speech Topic:

Describe McDonald's food like you're a professional food critic.

Speech Topic:

Disney vs Pixar

Speech Topic:

What is true happiness?

Speech Topic:

One person's terrorist is another person's freedom fighter. Do you agree or disagree?

Speech Topic:

Tea vs Coffee

Speech Topic:

What do you think when you hear people say: "kids these days"

Speech Topic:

Choose a subject that you think should be taught in high school.

Speech Topic:

Give a review of your favorite movie.

Speech Topic:

Where and when would you go if you could travel in time?