Teaching learners how to write successful job applications through e-tandem learning

Aleksandra Sudhershan

The purpose of this session is to show how e-tandem learning can help to overcome the difficulty of writing successful job applications. It reports on the outcomes of two such exchanges and suggests practical ways of implementing the concept.

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Start-up opportunity: find your investor

Oksana Hera

This activity gives learners a chance to practise their English communication skills in a business environment to find investors for their start-ups.

Oksana Hera is a CELTA-qualified trainer from Lviv (Ukraine) who holds an MA in Linguistics and specialises in teaching English to adults (general, business and ESP).

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I will present highly creative online reading activities aimed at supplementing or replacing reading passages in business English coursebooks. The activities aim at engaging reluctant readers in teamwork in class while allowing students to make use of simple tech tools.

Sanja Radmilo Derado is a senior lecturer in business English at the Faculty of Economics in Split, Croatia. She has 20 years of experience in ELT including teacher training, materials development, and course design.

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