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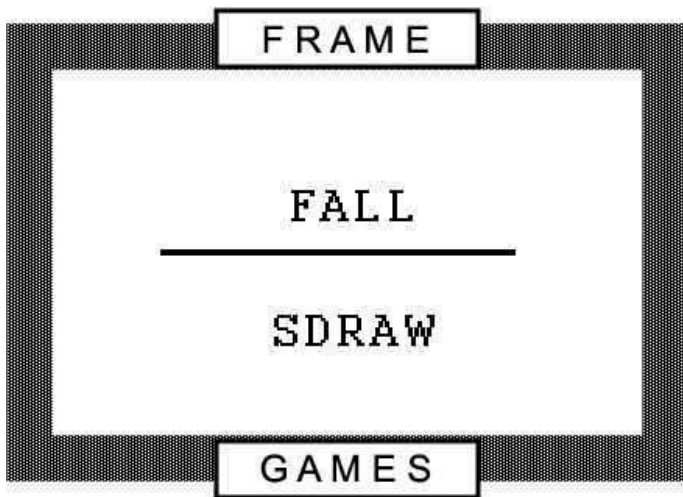
Newsletter of the Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter of Korea TESOL

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Game Making: Game Templates to Stimulate Interaction and Involvement in Class

By Maria Lisak

What's in your game-making teacher's bag? This interactive workshop will share some of Thiagi's most famous "framegames" for participants to design their own games for class. "A framegame is a generic game shell or template. It allows you to plug in new content and create a new game — instantly!" (From *Framegames by Thiagi*, p. 1).



Using a game template lets you include your class tasks and goal content while increasing involvement of participants to achieve the learning tasks with certainty as Thiagi's games are time-tested. This workshop offers a chance to participate in some games and then use these instructional tools to set up games for your own classrooms at school and work. Participants will be able to make a game within 10

minutes and learn dozens of ways to customize it to their classroom.

Reference

Thiagarajan, S. (2004). *Framegames by Thiagi*. Bloomington, IN: Workshops by Thiagi.

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Maria Lisak (MSEd) likes to create safe environments to encourage and support learners as they risk-take and grow. Her instructional designs are dynamic, energetic, and lively but also have meditative and reflective components. By



thoughtfully listening to learners' framing of their own learning process, she focuses on authenticity and transformation while fostering a fun, cathartic adventure for them to develop new skills. Change in the classroom, she feels, is a constant to be embraced and celebrated.

(To be presented on January 12 at the Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter KOTESOL meeting at Gwangju National University of Education).

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Joining Korea TESOL

Who May Join: English teachers of any level or nationality are eligible to join. KOTESOL welcomes native and non-native speakers teaching at public schools, language institutes, colleges and universities, and other organizations, as well as tutors. Undergraduate students may join as student members.

What Memberships Types Are Available?

- **Regular 1-Year Membership:** 50,000 won.
- **Lifetime Membership:** 500,000 won. Student and International Membership options are also available.

How to Join: Apply by using the online membership form at <http://www.koreatesol.org/>. On the front page, click on "Join KOTESOL" in the menu, and follow the directions. Help available at a Chapter meeting.

Alternately, paper membership application and renewal forms are available at Chapter meetings for those who prefer making a hard-copy application with Chapter assistance.

Membership payment may be made by either of these two methods:

- Bank transfer to **KOTESOL:** KEB-Hana bank account number 299-890069-83204.
- Payment in cash to the Chapter Membership Officer at a Chapter Meeting.

Making Writing Fun

By Peter Lucarotti

Despite the many benefits that writing has for language learners, the reality is that many students see writing as a chore. As a result, getting students to participate in a writing activity can be like pulling teeth. In this quick 25-minute session, we'll take a look at a number of engaging writing activities that you can include in your lessons. We'll start with word-level writing as a jumping-off point before scaffolding up through sentence-, paragraph-, and eventually essay-level writing. Attendees are encouraged to bring and share any writing activities that they use in their own classroom as well as any advice on how they motivate students to write.



THE PRESENTER

Originally from the East Coast of Canada, Peter Lucarotti studied journalism and worked as a sportswriter in his home country before coming to South Korea in 2010. He spent seven years teaching at Boseong Girls Middle School and recently began work as a teacher trainer at the Jeollanamdo International Education Institute in Yeosu. In nearly six months on the job, he has developed a writing curriculum for both elementary and secondary teachers and has also taught a variety of other programs, including the JLP summer and fall orientations.

(To be presented on January 12 at the Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter KOTESOL meeting at Gwangju National University of Education).

Call for Conference Presentation Proposals: Now - February 10.

Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL
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“Are We There Yet?”

Revisiting, Reflecting on, and
Re-imagining Our ELT Goals

March 9, 2019

Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL Regional Conference 2019
Gwangju National University of Education

Call for proposals now through February 10, 2019. koreatesol.org/gwangju

 An illustration of a city skyline with various buildings, a large yellow sun, and colorful fireworks exploding in the sky. The city is depicted as if it's on a floating island or a platform, with some buildings appearing to be on the edge of a dark, irregular shape.

Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL January Chapter Meeting

- Time: Saturday, January 12, 2019, 1:45–5:00 p.m.
- Place: Gwangju Natl. University of Ed., Teacher Training Bldg., Room 811 (1st Floor)

■ Schedule: Chapter Meeting, Main Session

- 1:45 pm:** Sign-in and Meet-and-Greet (Admission free for newcomers. Future membership always welcomed.)
- 2:00 – 2:45 pm: PRESENTATION 1, PART 1**
Game Making: Game Templates to Stimulate Interaction and Involvement in Class
 Maria Lisak (Chosun University Gwangju)
- 2:45 – 3:05 pm:** Refreshment & Networking Break
- 3:05 – 3:50 pm: PRESENTATION 1, PART 2**
Game Making...
- 4:00 – 4:30 pm: Presentation 2 – *Making Writing Fun***
 Peter Lucarotti (Jeollanamdo International Education Institute, Yeosu)
- 4:30 – 4:45 pm: SwapShop Session (Open to All)**
 Everyone is encouraged to share their Teaching Discoveries and “Secrets” with the group. Share your Teaching Tips, Ideas, Classroom Activities, Games, ELT Books, or other Teaching Wisdom. (Handouts welcomed.)
- 4:45 – 5:00 pm:** Announcements / Drawing for Door Prizes / Closing

After-Meeting Dinner downtown at The First Alleyway.

Upcoming Chapter Events

February 16, 2019 (3rd Saturday).
 Chapter Meeting.

March 9, 2019.
 Chapter Regional Conference.

Upcoming KOTESOL Events

February 24, 2019.
Chapter Presidents’ Meeting
 Sookmyung Women’s University, Injae-gwan, Seoul

March 24, 2019. Seoul Chapter Annual Conference. Sookmyung Women’s University, Seoul.

April 20, 2019. Busan-Gyeongnam Chapter Conference. Kyungnam University, Changwon, Gyeongnam.

Reflective Practice SIG

Morning Session

*Analyzing Power and Practice
 in Our Teaching Context*

January 12 (11:00–12:30)

Maria Lisak facilitating.

At Coffee Lab Mujii (near GNUE)