



# The Gwangju Communicator

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## Using Curriculum and Reflection to Push Forward

By Madeleine Grace Wunderlich

Having to create your own materials from scratch can be both overwhelming and mentally exhausting. This discussion covers learning methods to help prepare, design, and reflect on your own curriculum in ways that will not only help the students to learn but also help educators grow.

These methods also help to maximize effectiveness and efficiency in the classroom and in lesson planning. There are a plethora of different ways to plan, reflect, and improve. The more these methods are explored and tested, the better a teacher can move forward in a positive and more organized direction.

### THE PRESENTER

Madeleine Grace Wunderlich is currently a high school native English-speaking teacher with the Jeollanamdo Office of Education. She holds an MEd in education and a BFA in fine art. Prior to working in South Korea, she spent time researching English educational methods and hiring practices in both the public and private educational systems in Nepal and Dubai. Ms. Wunderlich works to bring critical thinking and the artistic skills she learned in undergraduate school to improve and modify traditional EFL and ESL materials and teaching practices.



*(Madeleine Wunderlich will be presenting on using curriculum and reflection for future planning on January 11 at the Gwangju-Jeonnang Chapter KOTESOL meeting at Gwangju National University of Education).*

**OBJECTIVES**

- SEE WAYS TO BUILD CURRICULUM METHODICALLY
- LEARN DIFFERENT WAYS TO KEEP TRACK OF CLASSES
- USING A 1-5-10 METHOD
- DISCUSSION

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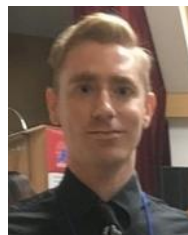
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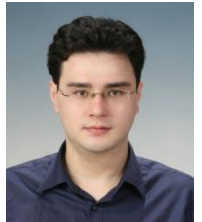
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# ■ Joining Korea TESOL

**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.


# The Seven Pillars of Health

By Rhea Metituk

Education is one of the most important professions, yet one of the most demanding professions, and thus, many teachers struggle to maintain equilibrium as well as they wish. In this session, the presenter will discuss the Seven Pillars of Health, a wellness concept and powerful tool for reflection that professionals can use to assess their condition and aspire to greater vitality to keep on their optimum life path. Attendees will have a chance to reflect on aspects of well-being and consider how to manage their personal self-care as professionals who work in one of the greatest acts of service – teaching. Attendees are also recommended to wear comfortable clothes, as we will participate in gentle stretching exercises. If so desired, attendees may join accountability groups to support the development of healthy new habits of their choice as we push off into 2020.

## THE PRESENTER

Rhea Metituk has an MA in rhetorical writing and digital media and a BA in psychology. She is currently posted at the University of Ulsan, South Korea. Academic interests include CLT (communicative language theory), flipped/blended learning, and PBL (project-based learning). Experience with young learners as well as adults in private institutes, and public and post-secondary schools in Korea has informed her experience, in addition to NGOs in Canada and Swaziland, ESL in Canada, and teaching English sign language. In Korea TESOL (KOTESOL), she volunteers as 2nd vice-president and as co-coordinator of both the Environmental Justice SIG and the Women and Gender Equality SIG. Rhea has 1600 hours of yoga teacher qualifications certified by the International Yoga Federation and the Yoga Alliance, and she is a reiki master/teacher. Rhea's hobbies include hosting potlucks with nutritious, delicious foods.

## Play It Again, 쌤!

Revisitation, Reprise, Memory, Time

Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL  
Regional Conference 2020



Saturday, March 14, 2020  
Gwangju National University of Education

More information, including Call for Proposals:  
[koreatesol.org/gwangju](http://koreatesol.org/gwangju)

## Planning Your Professional Development for 2020

The beginning of a new year is an excellent time for making plans. It is a time when schools are on break and teachers and other educators have time to reflect and project, to consider what they can do and what they plan to do for their own professional development (PD) in the coming year.

There are a myriad of PD options available to the EFL educator in Korea to broaden their ELT knowledge and sharpen their TEFL skills, either alone or with others. These include the broad categories of reading, writing, presenting, volunteering, and researching.

In this session, we will discuss PD options in each of these areas in turn, eliciting the experiences and opinions of those in attendance, providing time for small group discussion, and giving everyone a chance to consider each option and decide which they will commit to in 2020. David Shaffer facilitating.



## Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL January Chapter Meeting

- Time: Saturday, January 11, 2020, 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 – 2:50 pm: SESSION 1 — *Using Curriculum and Reflection to Push Forward***  
Madeleine Grace Wunderlich (Jeollanamdo Office of Education)
- 2:50 – 3:10 pm:** Refreshment & Networking Break
- 3:10 – 4:00 pm: SESSION 2 — *The Seven Pillars of Health***  
Rhea Metituk (University of Ulsan)
- 4:05 – 4:45 pm: Planning Your Professional Development for 2020** (Discussion/Workshop)  
David Shaffer (Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter)
- 4:45 – 4:55 pm: SwapShop Mini-Presentations** (time permitting). Share your Teaching Ideas, Classroom Activities, and Teaching Wisdom with the group. (Everyone is encouraged to share [up to 5–6 min. each]. Short tidbits are welcomed. Handouts also welcomed.)
- 4:45 – 5:00 pm:** Announcements / Door Prizes / Closing

**After-Meeting Dinner at The First Alleyway downtown**

## Upcoming Chapter Events

- February 8, 2020. Chapter Meeting.**  
Teacher Training Center, GNUE, Gwangju.
- March 14, 2020. Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL Regional Conference**  
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Teacher Training Center, GNUE, Gwangju.
- April 11, 2020. Chapter Meeting.**  
Teacher Training Center, GNUE, Gwangju.

## Upcoming KOTESOL Events

- March 22, 2020.**  
**Seoul KOTESOL Regional Conference**  
Sookmyung Women's University, Seoul
- May 16, 2020.**  
**Jeonju–North Jeolla Conference**  
Jeonju, Jeonbuk (Call for Presentations: March 15)

### Reflective Practice SIG

### *Beyond Practice*

**Dr. Yeon-seong Park Facilitating  
11:00–12:30, before the Chapter Meeting.**

*At Coffee Lab Mujii (near GNUE)*

- June 25–27, 2020**  
**AsiaTEFL International Conference with Korea TESOL**  
Weaving Theory and Practice in ELT in Asia  
Goyang, Gyeonggi (north of Seoul)  
Call for Proposals: Now – Jan. 15, 2020