



**The English Teachers
Association of Queensland Inc.**

Providing professional support
and advocacy for English teachers

ESSENTIAL ENGLISH COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE EVENT

Saturday, 7 NOVEMBER 2020

Citipointe Christian College

322 Wecker Road
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Register at www.etaq.org.au

Cost: members \$35, non-members \$52



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The Context

Essential English is new for everyone. We have all been busy creating rigorous and engaging programs for our students and guiding them through a period of extraordinary change and disruption. Now we're ready to take some time out for us. Our community of practice event is an opportunity for us to share some of the exciting work we've been doing and share samples of student work.

The day will provide a much-needed opportunity for Essential English teachers to connect with one another. Building a professional network like this is great for everyone, but especially for teachers who are a small team in their school. Networks like this can also help, if you are feeling – for whatever reason – the subject has not generated as much professional attention as the other Englishes this year. There is much we can learn from hearing about what has worked (and not worked) for others.

Our other aim is to offer a community of practice moderation opportunity. Using a consensus approach, we will review sample student responses to the CIA and IA4. We hope you will come away feeling more confident about your decisions and with some great ideas about how to approach your quality assurance processes next year.

Program

Time	Activity	Presenter
9:00 am	Introduction and welcome Housekeeping	Lindsay Williams Natalie Fong
9:15 – 9:30	Setting the scene – protocols and background information	Julie Arnold Natalie Fong
9:30-10:30	Peer pecha kuchas A pecha kucha is a 6 minutes plus 40 seconds PowerPoint presentation. The basic form is 20 slides, 20 seconds per slide. The style is typically conversational and rich in visual imagery – but really the emphasis is on delivering your content in an engaging and meaningful way. We think a pecha kucha would be a great genre for a student assessment, but today we're really looking forward to seeing what teachers have to say. The topic guidance is: as long as it is interesting and about Essential English, go for it!	Various presenters
10:30– 11:00	Fancy morning tea: We've missed feeding you this year, ETAQkers!	Ab Fab catering
11:00-12:30	Community of practice moderation Come with your samples, ready to share. At this session, we will engage in a gentle calibration exercise—let's call it 'meditating on the standard'. Then we will group and regroup for consensus moderation. So, please bring 4 samples of student work: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A top piece (we get it that sometimes your strongest piece isn't an A) and a C for the CIA - A top piece and a C for your IA4. Please also bring clean copies of your IA4 task sheet, for sharing. Consider bringing any other Unit 1-4 tasks you're happy to share too.	This session is all about you. Don't forget to bring your samples!
12:30	Close This program constitutes 3 hours CPD	

