



SCOLAR English Alliance 2023/24 & 2024/25

1.	Programme	English-In-Action: Reader's Theatre (Code: ESU01S 23/25)
2.	Programme Partner	The English-Speaking Union (Hong Kong) was established in 2001 as an independent, non-profit-making organisation whose mission is to promote local and international understanding and friendship through the widening use of the English language. ESU HK is a registered charity under Section 88 of the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Ordinance. It is affiliated to ESU International established in 1918 with branches that are non-political, educational entities operating in over fifty countries. Since 2006 ESU successfully curated for SCOLAR “Persuasive English: Debating Workshop,” “Listening, Reading and Understanding,” “Reading Programme” and “Reader’s Theatre” for secondary school students.
3.	Programme Aims and Expected Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arouse INTEREST in local secondary school students with pleasurable English language experience such as speaking like an actor. • Build CONFIDENCE by practise speaking through reading and analysing a script as well as its characters through group discussion. • Increase their VOCABULARY by learning innovative words and their pronunciation and be exposed to a broader range of the English language.
4.	Programme Content	<p>Participants will be put into groups to learn reading aloud and assigned an act from one of the following books to speak like actors in a theatre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Arsenic for Tea</i> by Robin Stevens • <i>Firefight</i> by Chris Ryan • <i>A Sound of Thunder</i> by Ray Bradbury • <i>The landscape with the Invisible Hands</i>
5.	Participants	<p><u>Student participants</u> 25 to 30 S1-5 students per school. <i>(All sessions are to be attended by the same group of student participants.)</i></p> <p><u>Teacher participant(s)</u> 1 to 2 English language teacher(s) per school for observing and supporting students’ learning.</p>
6.	No. of Sessions	Two 2-hour sessions
7.	Date and Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two hours on any two weekdays between September 2024 and August 2025, except public holidays. • Date and time of the classes will be mutually agreed with successful applicants.
8.	Venue	At premises of the participating schools.
9.	How to Apply	<p>By filling the google form or scan the QR code presented on the SCOLAR website.</p> <p align="center">https://forms.gle/b716DaAe8wCtMhVx5</p> <div align="center">  </div>

10. Remarks		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductory video of the Reader's Theatre Programme is available on SCOLAR and the ESU HK websites, Facebook, Instagram (www.esuhk.org) or via below link or scan the QR code. <p style="text-align: center;">Reader's Theatre</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Classes will be on a first come, first served basis.• Successful schools will be informed by the English -Speaking Union by email.• If face-to-face classes are suspended during the programme period, the sessions will be conducted in online mode.
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