

SCOLAR English Alliance 2021/22

1.	Programme	Reader's Theatre (Code: ESU01S)
2.	Programme Partner	The English-Speaking Union Commonwealth was established in London in 1918. The Branch in Hong Kong was formed in 1999 as an independent, non-profit making organisation to promote local and international friendship and cooperation by providing unique opportunities for the wider use of the English language. ESU successfully ran “Persuasive English: Debating Workshop”, “Listening, Reading and Understanding”, “Reading Programme” and “English in Action” for secondary school students for SCOLAR in the past years.
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 practice speaking through reading and analysing a script as well as its characters through group discussion. • Increase their vocabulary by learning new words and their pronunciation and be exposed to a broader range of the English language.
4.	Programme Content	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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Guggenheim Mystery</i> by Robin Stevens • <i>Agent 21 - under cover</i> by Chris Ryan • <i>Behemoth</i> by Scott Westerfeld • <i>The Return</i> by Nicolas Sparks
5.	Participants	<u>Student participants</u> 25 S1-4 students per school. <i>(All sessions are to be attended by the same student participants.)</i> <u>Teacher participant(s)</u> 1 to 2 English language teacher(s) per school for observing and supporting students' learning.
6.	No. of Sessions	Two 2-hour sessions
7.	Date and Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on any two weekdays between October 2021 and June 2022, except public holidays. • Dates and time of the classes will be arranged with successful applicants.
8.	Venue	At premises of the participating schools.
9.	How to Apply	Complete the online application form on SCOLAR website. (https://scolarhk.edb.hkedcity.net/)
10.	Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory slide show of the programme is available on SCOLAR website. • Lots will be drawn in case of over-enrolment. • Schools will be informed of the application result by the programme partner. • If face-to-face classes are suspended during the programme period, the sessions will be conducted in online mode.