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Chat log: Creating a lesson around a short story with Sharon Ahlquist

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00:21:06 Pavilion ELT - Ellie: Welcome to Day 3, thanks for joining us today! Where are you joining us from?
00:21:08 Ricardo Luceño: Good afternoon, everyone!
00:21:09 Alex Mackenzie: Hello from Spain!
00:21:20 Simona Vieru: Hello from Romania!
00:21:54 Lucia Matejovie: Hello Sharon and Kirsten
00:21:56 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: Hello.
00:22:04 Robert McLarty: Afternoon all.
00:22:10 Lucia Matejovie: I've already tried out Jill's painting activity.
00:22:10 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: Nice to see you all.
00:22:15 Heidrun Elmenreich: Good morning from Guatemala!
00:22:15 Rachel Sarrailh: Hello everyone
00:22:23 Patricia Barzotti: Hello!
00:22:57 JANE O DAVIES: Afternoon from Sicily!
00:23:01 MARIA ROSA PELIZZONI: Hi Kirsten , yesterday I couldn't follow the third lecture, is it possible to see it again in the future?
00:23:18 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: I'll try one or two ideas with AI with teens on Saturday.
00:23:37 MARIA ROSA PELIZZONI: Thank you so much , you are very kind
00:23:39 Pavilion ELT - Ellie: You will get an email with how to access all the recordings next week 😊
00:23:49 Marina van der Graaf: Good afternoon from the Netherlands 😊
00:23:55 MARIA ROSA PELIZZONI: Hi everybody from Italy
00:24:01 Ameena Choondathodi: Hello from Qatar!
00:24:37 Lucia Matejovie: Happy to share a jamboard link: <https://jamboard.google.com/d/1EJRZ0ixCMozp-FTYyzo47ivdko7KAz8TauDfC4i7JHI/viewer?f=0>
00:25:03 Sue Rowe: Hello from Bath!
00:27:40 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: I've worked with stories in my lessons.
00:28:30 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: It becomes an engaging lesson, creative, in the go.
00:28:54 Patricia Barzotti: I use them as well, they encourage a wider use of Language, lead to lots of skills work, and a discussion of different topics.
00:30:08 Sabine Gandler: Unfortunately I hardly use any besides the ones in the textbook. I would love to get tips for good sources.
00:31:49 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: Sometimes we create a story together, and then in the next lesson, we can teach grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation m, etc from that story
00:32:28 Kirsten Holt: Lovely ideas!
00:32:51 Kirsten Holt: That's great to hear Patricia :-)
00:33:03 Kirsten Holt: As a reminder you can find me here: Creativity Sown Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/100064112111507>
Creativity Sown LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/100828794> I'd love to know how the activities you try actually go! :-)
00:33:30 Kirsten Holt: Wonderful to hear Mahalutchmee. You sound a creative teacher. :-)
00:33:52 Kirsten Holt: Hopefully @Sabrine Sharon will tell us... but if not I'll ask her at the end. One place you can go is Google's Gemini which has out-of-copyright stories.
00:34:30 Kirsten Holt: Love the jamboard @Lucia!
00:34:41 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: Yes, that's my strong point as a teacher, I love writing stories and poetry for my lessons
00:35:39 Kirsten Holt: Wonderful to hear - they are valuable assets for teaching as Sharon is showing us.
00:36:03 Kirsten Holt: Do put your guesses in the chatbox!
00:36:18 Marina van der Graaf: in a big city
00:36:25 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: African country
00:36:29 Iuliia Irgitseva: Somewhere in South Africa
00:36:37 MARIA ROSA PELIZZONI: I think to be in a big country India
00:37:44 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: It could be a country in Caribbean
00:37:54 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: West Indies
00:39:16 Kirsten Holt: Please pop your story using thee words in the chatbox
00:40:53 Fernanda Binati: We didn't see fences or any bush anymore. The river which gave life to the whole place is now under the concrete.

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00:41:19 Kirsten Holt: There was a fire in the polling station so they put the papers in a suitcase and ran into the bush. They had to climb through a hole in a fence to get to the river and to safety

00:41:33 Kirsten Holt: Interesting take Fernanda

00:42:12 Fernanda Binati: Very nice Kirsten!

00:42:21 Kirsten Holt: Thanks! :-)

00:42:22 Fernanda Binati: 🙏

00:49:30 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: The other party blew up the polling station. The fire spread over the bamboo fence that separated the river and the harvested crop. I ran as fast as I could after hiding my new suitcase laden with notes in the big hole near the bush.

00:50:08 Kirsten Holt: Very creative Mahalutchmee, well done!

00:50:53 Kirsten Holt: Both stories are a take on Sharon's even though we hadn't seen it. Interesting activity, no?

00:54:12 Kirsten Holt: It's that time of year, isn't it? Hope they're going well.

00:57:04 Kirsten Holt: If you ever need to find pictures to go with your stories, this place is great as the images are copyright free (Creative Commons): pixabay.com

00:57:38 Kirsten Holt: Or ELTpics

00:57:57 Kirsten Holt: The land on the other side?

00:58:18 Pavilion ELT - Ellie: I think If Only Papa Hadn't Danced is a perfect title for it

01:01:39 Fernanda Binati: What criteria do you use to test vocabulary?

01:03:23 Kirsten Holt: Fernanda, thanks for the question. I'll ask her at the end.

01:04:08 Patricia Barzotti: I really like the cooperative elements of the lesson

01:04:32 Robert McLarty: Some great activities - really like the Pass the Pencil idea

01:05:00 Fernanda Binati: If learners have to think of being tested, I can't quite see why asking how many unique words is different to how many words since they will still be scared and relying on memory. Could you explain it further?

01:05:29 Kirsten Holt: Van, road, sign, shops, people walking...

01:05:32 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: people walking

01:05:48 Sabine Gandler: Keep our city clean

01:06:19 Patricia Barzotti: buildings, broken pavements, billboards, dingy roads

01:06:34 Sabine Gandler: billboard, van

01:06:37 Kirsten Holt: Very good Patricia!

01:06:39 CHANG LIU: Shops, busy traffic, clear sky, pedestrians, advertisement, sidewalk,

01:06:52 Patricia Barzotti: Thanks Kirsten!!

01:06:52 CHANG LIU: parked cars

01:07:02 Lucia Matejovic: I beat myself :D

01:07:12 Patricia Barzotti: just a little

01:07:29 Kirsten Holt: Fabulous work everyone!! :-)

01:07:49 Simona Vieru: Thank you very much! Great session!

01:07:53 JANE O DAVIES: Thank YOU Sharon!

01:07:55 Lucia Matejovic: Thank you Sharon! Very interesting workshop!

01:08:04 Robert McLarty: Excellent.

01:08:04 Sue Rowe: Thank you Sharon!

01:08:24 Mahalutchmee Runghsawmee: Thank you so much.

01:08:27 Margarida Pereira: Thank you!

01:08:28 CHANG LIU: Thank you Sharon!

01:09:00 MARIA ROSA PELIZZONI: Thank you so much Sharon. Your activities are very useful.

01:16:49 Fernanda Binati: I have learners who would be really anxious to do that activity.

01:17:08 Fernanda Binati: They are really afraid of failing.
How do you navigate that?

01:17:13 Lucia Matejovic: I'm anxious to do it immediately!

01:18:21 Lucia Matejovic: Thank you very much!

01:19:07 Patricia Barzotti: yes maybe not giving a number of words could be less stressful

01:19:21 Sandra Casey: I think if they are afraid, put them into pairs and it takes away that anxiety

01:20:30 Patricia Barzotti: Thank you Sharon

01:20:33 Fernanda Binati: Thanks!

01:20:52 Sabine Gandler: THANK YOU. Very motivated to use more short stories.