

# ENRICHING THE ENGLISH AND HUMANITIES CURRICULUM USING IT

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Celebrating ability by using IT to publish student learning in our classrooms is the focus of this workshop for teachers of Years 8 – 10.

Effective use of IT as part of the learning process and the provision of opportunities for students to compose multimedia presentations highlights and celebrates a range of abilities.

Humanities topics are explored in the field, issues are investigated ‘first hand’ and reported on using video cameras and laptops both inside and outside the classroom. Presenting research projects to fellow students, through a variety of media, enhances the learning experience for all involved.

Students podcast poetry, film interviews, create cartoons, and produce graphic novelettes – downloaded at times to their mobile phones – as part of their English course! Students are publishing their work in the media to which *they* are most attuned.

Working with IT frequently involves close collaboration with peers. These situations provide opportunities for the development and exercise of leadership and group skills, the growth of individual self-confidence and, of course, increased proficiency with IT itself.

Join us on this journey as we take the curriculum out into the community and bring the outside world into the classroom, celebrating the abilities of our students.