‘At Least 10 Tips for Effectively Facilitating a Literacy Live Session’

Wednesday 29th August at 8:00pm AEST** at your place

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You may be thinking about how you might run your own Literacy Live session; be it for teaching, a meeting or for delivering professional development. So, where do you start? How do you plan a virtual session? How do you actively engage your participants during the session? What types of activities work best in this virtual environment?

The focus of the August ACAL Literacy Live session will be back on helping you with some of those handy hints, giving you direct insight into the special tips and techniques you might find useful when facilitating your own Literacy Live group.

Although the session is titled, “At least 10 Tips for Effectively Facilitating a Literacy Live Session,” in the planning for this session, Michael Coghlan, an experienced facilitator, had no problem in identifying more than ten tips which will assist those not so experienced in this form of facilitation.

Don’t forget to register at acal@pacific.net.au ‘How to’ details at www.acal.edu.au Numbers are limited, preference is given to ACAL members and you must register. Forums are frequently oversubscribed.

Not able to join?
If you aren’t able to join the Literacy Live session live, or would like to listen to any of the previous Literacy Live sessions, some podcasts are available on the ACAL website at www.acal.edu.au Follow the link to the Literacy Live room and then to the archived session of your choice.

Find us at
http://literacylive.ivocalize.net/
Or visit ACAL at www.acal.edu.au and click the link on the home page to ‘Literacy Live meeting room’ for more information.

Book a space in this workshop
The Literacy Live Meeting room is limited to 20 places and preference will be given to ACAL members. To register for this workshop, send an email to ACAL (acal@pacific.net.au). Once your registration has been received a password will be sent to you.

You must register at least four hours before commencement of the session to allow time to receive the password and confirmation there’s a place for you.

Login and Password
Your login name is your name e.g. Debbie. You need a password to enter the Literacy Live room. Your password will be sent to you once you register for the workshop.

What you will need
You’ll need a computer with reasonably up to date software, a set of headphones with a microphone (available from any electronics store or large office suppliers for about $15 - $20.) and broadband for preference.

What to do
Instructions for setting up and using Literacy Live are on the ACAL home page. Go there now and see what you need to do!
Your computer will automatically check to see if any software needs to be downloaded. If required (and it often is), the software will be automatically installed. If you’re doing it from an institution, you may need to check with your IT people.

What’s happening in September?

Next month, we are pleased to announce two exciting Literacy Live sessions.

ACAL AGM
The first will be a link to the ACAL AGM to be held in Auckland, New Zealand at the ACAL Conference. We encourage you to be part of ACAL history and join the first ACAL virtual AGM at 6:00pm (AEST) for a 6:15pm start, on Thursday 27th September in the Literacy Live room. If you are joining us for this event, please register at acal@pacific.net.au

NZ Conference speaker
The second event in the Literacy Live room in September will be held during the ACAL Conference and will provide a link to the keynote presentation made by Dr Heide Spruck-Wrigley on Friday 28th September at 12:30pm (AEST). This keynote is scheduled for 30 minutes, so why not organise a lunchtime gathering at work for your colleagues? Again, if you are interested in hearing Helen speak please register at acal@pacific.net.au to ensure a seat is reserved in the Literacy Live room. Heide is a highly respected literacy practitioner and researcher from the US, well known for her work on English language as well as literacy.

For more information about any of the Literacy Live sessions, or if you have any ideas for a future session, please contact Debbie at Debbie.Soccio@vu.edu.au.

For more details about the forum and how to participate, visit the ACAL website or register at acal@pacific.net.au.