



Using film in the language classroom: how to engage and motivate avid media “prosumers”

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OBJECTIVES

- Discuss the use of film to enhance language teaching and learning
- Explore new avenues to supplement L2 teaching with transmedia and cross-media projects
- Discuss teacher training needs regarding the use of visual and media culture in language teaching in secondary schools and HE.



Film in Language Teaching Association (FILTA)

- FILTA (www.filta.org.uk) was created in **2010**.
- The association has currently over 4,200 members from 120 countries.
- Membership is free!



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FLAME
Film, Language
And Media in
Education



- New and pioneering Research Group at Manchester Metropolitan University dedicated to the development and dissemination of innovative research and current findings in the areas of pedagogy, languages, media and film.

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- This research group was established at Manchester Metropolitan University at the end of 2013 to develop research in the areas of pedagogy, languages, film / media.
- An international network of researchers with over 70 affiliated members.



TRANSMEDIA IN EDUCATION

New Approaches to Transmedia and Language Pedagogy



The *New Approaches to Transmedia and Language Pedagogy Project* aims to create teaching materials based on a mix of cultural artefacts (i.e. short films, video games, etc.) to broaden visual, translanguaging and transcultural competences, creativity and storytelling skills.

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SYMPOSIUM: TRANSMEDIA THEORY AND PRACTICE IN LANGUAGE LEARNING AND TEACHING

Friday 26th April 2019, Manchester Metropolitan University, Geoffrey Manton building, LT3

£15 registration (E10 Postgraduates), includes refreshments and lunch

<https://buynonline.mmu.ac.uk/short-courses/flame/symposium/symposium-transmedia-theory-and-practice-in-language-learning-and-teaching>

This one-day symposium addresses research in the areas of Transmedia, Digital Media, Languages and Pedagogy. We have invited five leading academics to present their research in 40-minute presentations followed by 15-20 minutes of Q&A. With the support of the AHRC OWRI Cross-Language Dynamics.

TIMES	SPEAKER / EVENT	PAPER TITLE
09:30 - 10:00	Registration	
10:00 - 10:15	Welcome	
10:15 - 11:15	Dr Paul Wake and Dr Sam Illingworth (Manchester Metropolitan University)	<i>Talking a good game: Using games to teach English as a foreign language</i>
[10 minute break]		
11:25 - 12:25	Liz Cable (Leeds Trinity University)	<i>The Locked Box and other stories: using escape games for learning and assessment</i>
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch	
1:30 - 2:30	Professor Nicola Whitton (Durham University)	<i>The Great Escape: Learning through Collaborative Game Design</i>
[10 minute break]		
2:40 - 3:40	Paul Spence (King's College London)	<i>Bridges and chasms: on the relationship between (modern foreign) languages and the digital humanities</i>
3:45	Close	

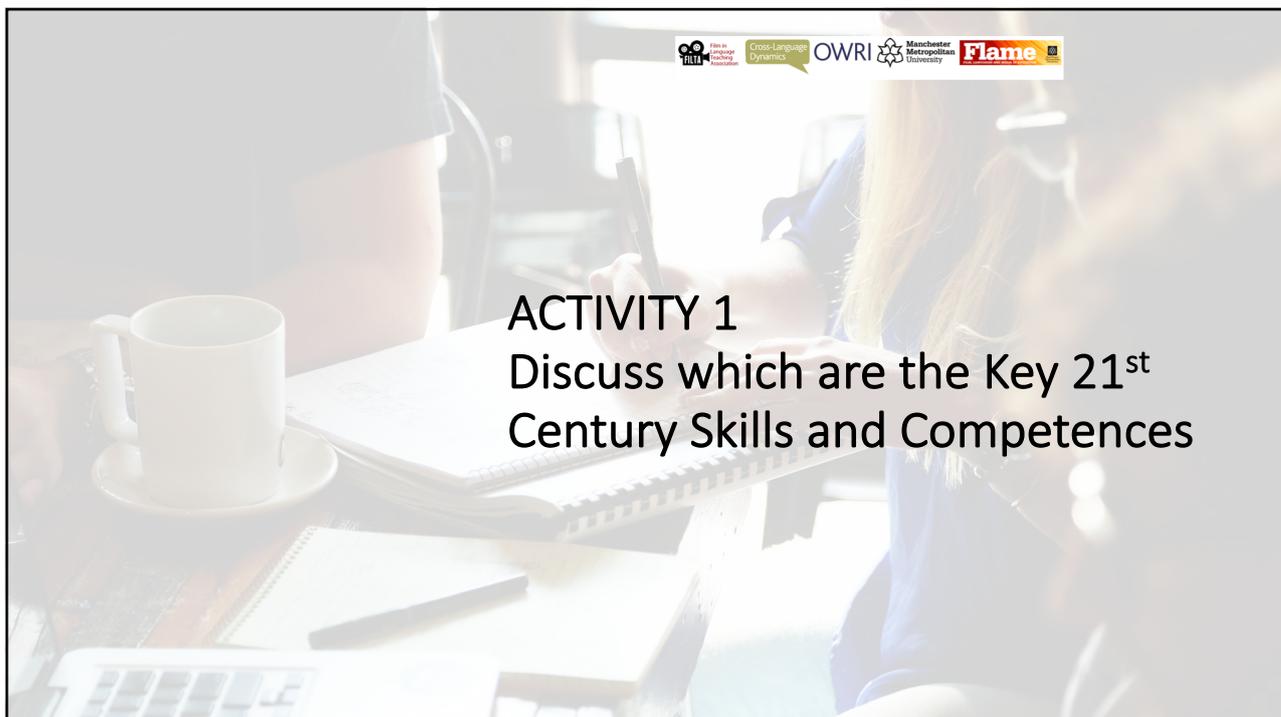
NEW APPROACHES TO TRANSMEDIA AND LANGUAGE PEDAGOGY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

27-28 JUNE 2019

For more information on the conference, please contact Dr Carmen Herrero (c.herrero@mmu.ac.uk) and Ms Marta F Suarez (m.suarez@mmu.ac.uk), at the Manchester Metropolitan University. For more details of this project, see <http://transmediaineducation.com>.

Registration fees: £150 | Concessionary rate (postgraduates): £80





ACTIVITY 1

Discuss which are the Key 21st Century Skills and Competences

Activity 2: Needs analysis discussion questions

- Why use films for language teaching?
- How do you use films (videos) in your teaching?
- Why use films for language teaching?
- Advantages of using short films?
- What do you find appealing about films and/ or short films from a practical point of view?
- What do you find appealing about films/ short films from a pedagogical perspective?

Theoretical background the materials and implementation in language teaching

Systemic functional multimodal discourse analysis

Film analysis

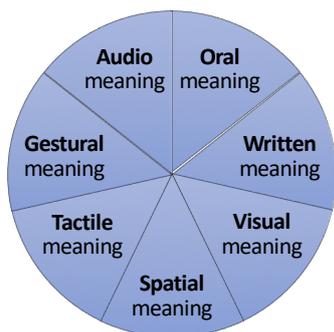


Figure 1: Modes of meaning in multimodal theory of representation and communication. Source: Katalantzis et al., 2016: 230.



Transmedia in Education Project

Free resources on short films, films and critical thinking/writing and video games



JULY 7, 2017

INSET: USING THE SHORT FILM TO DEVELOP INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCE IN LANGUAGE LEARNING: FRENCH/SPANISH

Guides:

- Hoy no estoy (SP)
- Peripheria (Silent)
- Mamam(s) (FR)
- Les Crayons (FR)
- El viaje (SP)

[Download Now!](#)

<http://transmediaineducation.com/category/resources/>

These are the resources for this INSET.



Transmedia storytelling

The practice of designing, sharing, and participating in a cohesive story experience across multiple traditional and digital delivery platforms.

‘In the ideal form of transmedia storytelling, each medium does what it does best –so that a story might be introduced in a film, expanded through television, novels, and comics; its world might be explored through tame play or experiences as an amusement park attraction’. (Jenkins, 2006: 95-96)



Transmedia literacy

A) The ability of sense-making, communication, and articulation across multiple media channels and modalities.

B) ‘Transmedia Literacy focuses on what young people are doing with the media, considering them prosumers (producers + consumers) able to generate and share media content of different types and levels of complexity’. (Scolari, 2018: 3)



	 LITERACY	 MEDIA LITERACY	 TRANSMEDIA LITERACY
Media semiotics (language)	Verbal text (read/write)	Multimodal	Multimodal
Media supports	Books and printed texts	Printed, audiovisual and digital	Digital networks - Interactive media - Transmedia
Aim of the action	To develop critical readers and writers	To develop critical consumers and producers	To develop critical prosumers
Subject interpellation	As an illiterate	As a passive media consumer	As a prosumer
Direction of the action	Top-down	1) Top-down 2) Bottom-up	1) Bottom-up 2) Top-down
Learning environment	Formal (schools)	Formal (schools), no formal and informal	From informal to formal (schools)
Role of the teacher	Knowledge authority - Mediator student/text	Knowledge mediator - Creator of learning experiences with the media	Knowledge facilitator - Cultural translator
Theoretical references	Linguistics	Media Studies (Theory of Media Effects) - Cultural Studies	Media Studies (Media Ecology, Transmedia Storytelling studies) - Cultural studies

Figure: Media ecosystem, in Scolari (2018: 4)



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