

‘Strengthening oracy and student voice’

Strategies for improving spoken English for Primary Students using Oracy Skill.

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What is Oracy?

Oracy is the art of speaking well.





Who is the best communicator you know?

The best communicator:

- Persuading
- Listening
- Reading the room
- Presenting
- Collaborative
- Facilitating
- Giving feedback
- Resolving conflict
- Looking confident
- Projecting your voice
- Voicing your opinion
- Making eye contact
- Encouraging others to contribute





Why is it hard for students to join oracy activities?

Those students
live in an not
English-speaking
country!

It's hard to get my
students to say a
single sentence in
English, let alone
have a discussion.

I don't even know
where to start with
Oracy activities.

The students are
nowhere near
that level of
English.

Some of my
students are really
shy. They hate
speaking in class.



How can we help students become the best communicators?

Pick an oracy skill for your Speaking Activity

Presentations:

- Physical: projecting your voice, speaking at the right speed, confident body language
- Cognitive: structuring points, using sequencing words, explaining your reasons
- Social – Emotional: engaging the audience

Discussion/collaborations

- Physical: speaking at the right speed
- Cognitive: planning the points you want to make, responding to others's point, using evidence in your argument
- Social – Emotional: listening actively, eliciting contributions from others, showing respect



Oracy: Speaking for success in primary classroom

- Show and tell
- Cue card
- Presentation
- Demonstration
- Debate
- Describing
- Storytelling



TRIO : Three minutes oracy

- Schedule the student every day to get a chance to present in front of their friends. They present it in 3 minutes.



Espresso!

- (Espresso English Spectacular Show) This show is designed to be an immersive, high-energy celebration of English language and literacy, perfect for primary school students (ages 5-11). The students perform their own special ability twice in a month on the school stage.



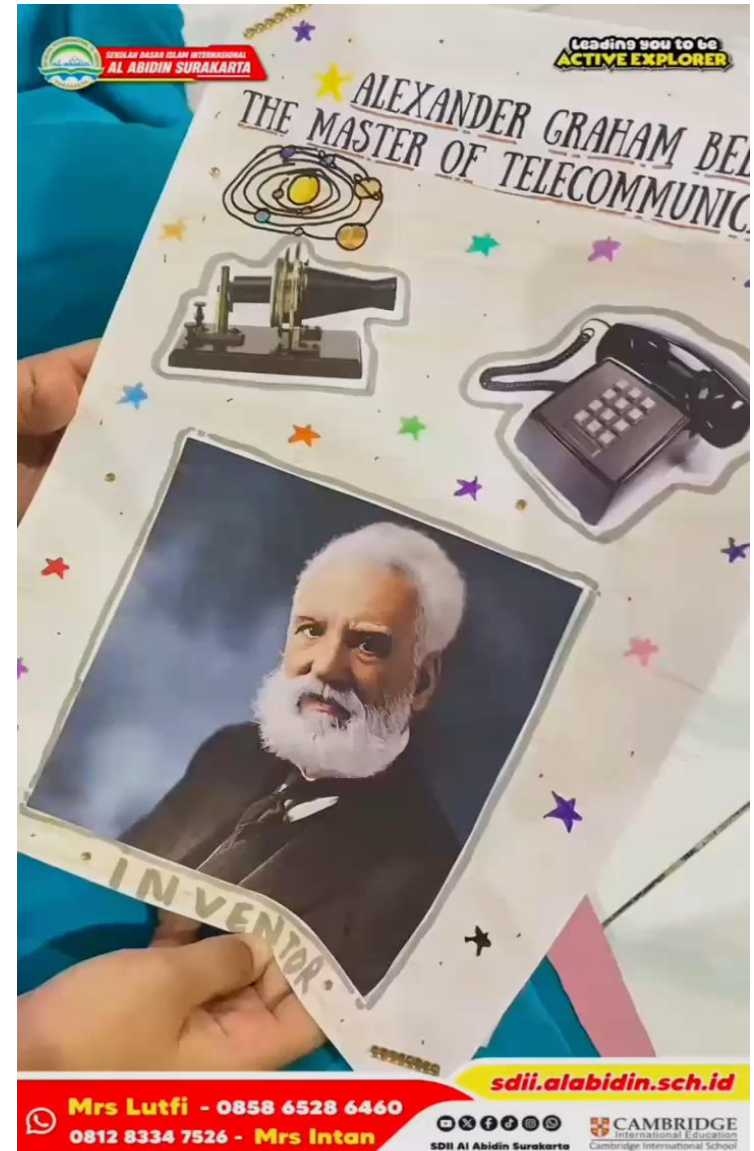
Book Festival

- For having a good habit in literacy, we can create wonderful agenda in which the student becomes their favourite character from the book they read.



PESTA (Practical English and Task)

- PESTA is a monthly, project-based Science-English language program designed from theoretical knowledge to authentic, real-world application. The core activity of the program is to transform students into English video vloggers.



ASSEMBLY

- This is a high-impact school event designed to showcase and validate the English language skills and confidence the students have developed. It is conducted annually in a large public place to promote the Cambridge attributes of students.



Science Exhibition

- This is an academic program where students are designated as “a Scientist.” Its purpose is to move beyond passive learning by challenging students to think and work scientifically while communicating their entire process exclusively in English. It applies STEAM




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Foodpedia & Artbition

- It is a biannual, integrated event designed to develop students' creative, entrepreneurial, and practical skills through a focus on two key cultural areas: food and art. The program provides a dynamic platform for students to transition from being passive learners to active, innovative creators and promoters within focused career-based roles.





“Every small talk routine we start in our classroom can make a huge difference in students’ confidence and communication skills.”



Thank you!

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