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## Literature in the Language Classroom

### Who is the course suitable for?

- Teachers interested in using literature in language teaching, both canonical texts and '*literature with a small l*'.
- Teachers involved in teaching literature in English as a curriculum subject.

### What are the aims of the course?

- To raise participants' awareness of a range of methodological approaches to using literature in ELT contexts
- To familiarise participants with appropriate resources for integrating the teaching of language and literature
- To enable participants to develop a repertoire of classroom strategies and techniques to make literary texts more accessible to language learners

### What will the course cover?

All participants will receive a pre-course questionnaire which will help to determine the content of the course and also key areas of focus. These key areas are likely to include:

- Criteria for text selection
- Specific characteristics of literary genres
- Approaches to dealing with contextual background
- Modes of textual intervention
- Creative writing and reader response
- Intermediality: literature and film; hypertext; web-based resources
- Principles for lesson planning
- Setting up an extensive reading programme
- Reader development and reading groups

### How long is the course and what approach is used?

The 50-hour course provision includes intensive tuition by trainers who are experts in the field of Language and Literature Teaching, as well as opportunities for reading and research and guest lectures from well-known figures in the field of ELT. Classes will be practical and 'hands-on' but with reference to relevant theory. Classes are held from Monday to Friday and take place as detailed in the course-specific timetable but always within the hours 0915 – 1715. NILE course participants have free access to an extensive ELT library and a modern suite of computers with a broadband Internet link. The NILE course venues have a wireless (Wi-Fi) environment.