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40th SPELT International Conference 2024

The **40th SPELT International Conference**, held on **16th November at four different venues** and on **17th November 2024 at Habib University, Karachi**, celebrated four decades of excellence in English Language Teaching (ELT). Under the theme "*Transitions in ELT: Past, Present, and Future*," the conference brought together educators, researchers, and practitioners from Pakistan and around the globe to reflect on evolving paradigms in ELT and envision its future.

Day 1 Highlights

This year, **Day 1** featured an innovative format, with symposia hosted at four venues: **Habib Public School, Happy Home School (HHS), IU School System, and Durbeen**. Key highlights included:

- A dynamic **World Café** session led by **Mr. Abbas Husain**, fostering collaborative discussions.
- An engaging Plenary Session by **Dr Arfa Syeda Zehra** at HHS School System, delving into thought-provoking topic of Future of Urdu & AI.
- Keynote Addresses by leading experts:
 - **Dr. Shahjamal Alam** on the transformative role of AI in education at Habib Public School
 - **Dr. Stephen Lyon** at IUSS, providing global insights into 21st Century Skills.
 - **Dr. Anjum Halai** at Durbeen, exploring Equity & Access to Education: Language Policies & Practices.

Day 2 Highlights

Day 2 began with a ceremony in which a tribute was paid to our beloved Lubna Mohyuddin and service awards were conferred on SPELT stalwarts. This was followed by an inspiring keynote by **Mr. Alan Mackenzie**, who shared transformative insights into global trends shaping the future of ELT. The day continued with parallel sessions offering diverse perspectives on Integrating technology into language teaching & Reimagining pedagogical practices to meet future challenges.

Plenary sessions by Dr David Nunan, Dr. Zhou Fei, Dr. Rob Waring, Dr. Fatima Dar, and Dr. Bushra A. Khurram captivated audiences with reflections on ELT's evolution and strategies for future-readiness in teaching. One of the **highlights of Day 2** was an Online Dialogue Discussion on Action Research moderated by Professor Zakia Sarwar with the renowned ELT expert Dr David Nunan and educationists from Russia, China, Malaysia, Nepal and Pakistan.

Interactive workshops on innovative teaching strategies and assessment tools provided participants with hands-on learning experiences, equipping them with practical skills to implement in their own contexts.

The conference concluded with a vibrant panel discussion on "*From Tradition to Transformation: The Impact of AI on Education*," followed by a closing ceremony that celebrated SPELT's enduring contributions to professional development in ELT.

A Milestone Achievement

With over 600 attendees, engaging sessions, and thought-provoking discussions, the **40th SPELT International Conference** marked a pivotal step toward shaping the future of ELT in Pakistan and beyond. This landmark event reinforced SPELT's unwavering commitment to building a dynamic community of educators and driving impactful change in language teaching.

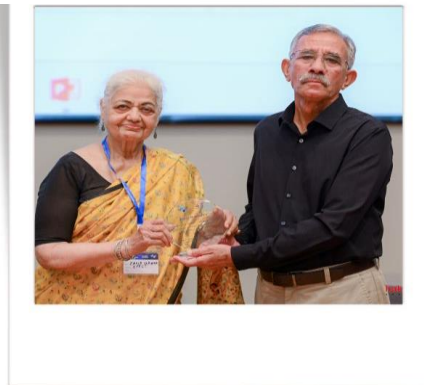
SPELT Conference 2024 – at a glance

Symposiums	Main Conference	Total Presenters	Total Outstation	Total Participants	Total Footfall(Guest+Volunteers+Staff)
4	1	85	10	779	1050+

Picture Gallery



Tribute to Lubna Mohyuddin (1962-2024)



SPELT Service Awards (31 to 40 Years)



Dr. Nasreen Husain



Prof Zakia Sarwar



Dr. Fauzia Shamim



Mohsin Tejani



Abbas Husain



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Fatima Shahabuddin





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SPELT 1.5- Hour Workshop
Post-Conference Event

Building an Effective Extensive Reading Program

November 18, 2024 3:00pm to 4:30pm

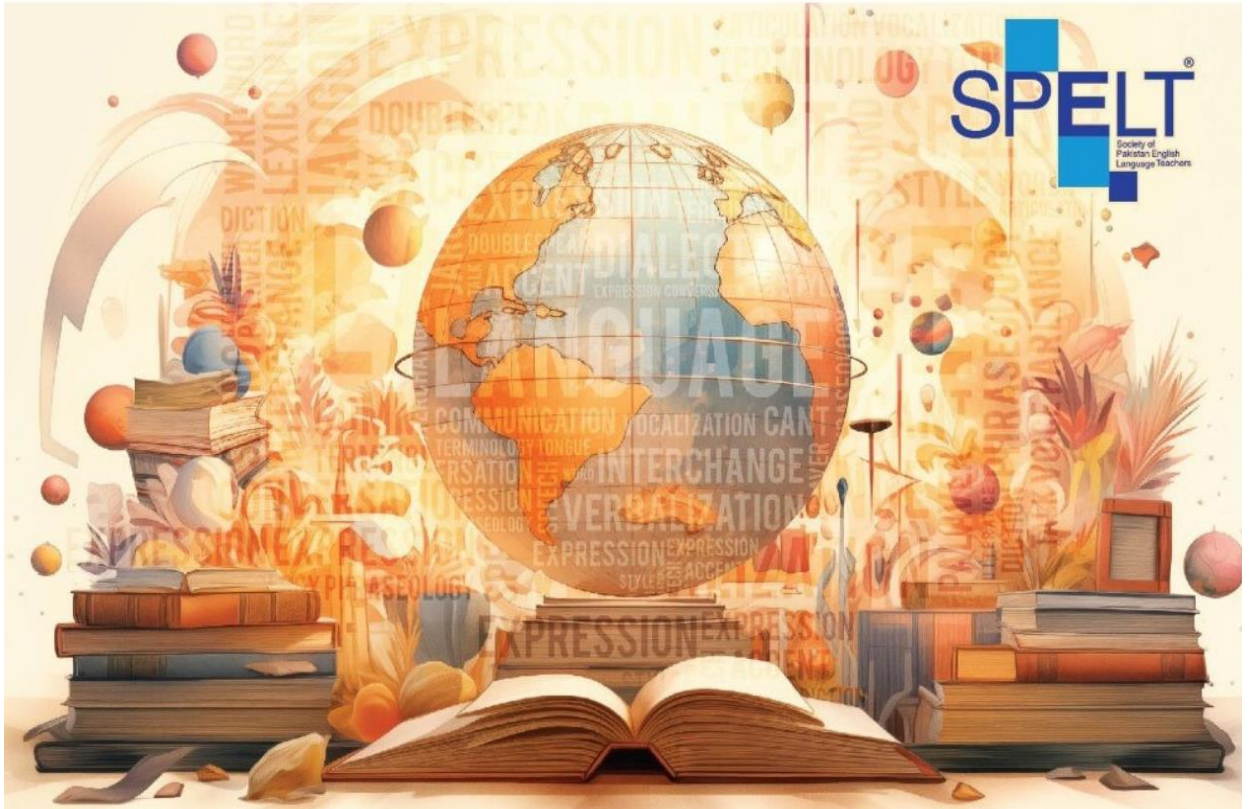
Member Fee PKR 1,400 Non Member Fee PKR 1,600

Dr. Rob Waring

Venue: SPELT Registered Office
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SPELT 1.5- Hour Webinar
GETTING STARTED WITH GAMIFICATION
 TARGET AUDIENCE: All Teachers, Coordinators, Principals and Heads
 December 14, 2024 10:00AM to 11:30AM
 Member Fee PKR 1,350 Non Member Fee PKR 1,600
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Dr. Deborah Healey

Language teachers have long used games, but gamification – the use of game elements in non-game settings – is a more recent concept in education. This workshop will start with a brief overview of gamification, including the theoretical and psychological basis. Teachers then see a variety of options to choose from so that they can identify and prepare ways to use gamification in their own classrooms.

Dr. Deborah Healey was the 2019-2020 President of the Board of Directors of TESOL International Association. An online and face-to-face teacher educator, she writes and presents extensively internationally (Africa, Asia, Latin America, Europe, US) on appropriate use of technology in language teaching. Her doctorate is in Computers in Education.

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/thJbDvprkBFBWkfH7>



SPELT ACD Session No: 481
 Free Academic Session for English Teachers
ACTIVE LISTENING AND EMPATHY
 12:00 to 01:00pm
 November 30, 2024
 Note: Session Cost free
 Certificate fee PKR 200/ (on demand)
Noreen Mirza
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Excellent session! Very engaging and interesting.

Session was informative

Today session was informative.

session was very good

It was really an informative session, we mostly talk about reflectively thinking, first time I got to know what is effective listening.

Session was good and agreed with trainer that listen to the others with empathy you can get positive results to sort out the solution

Today session is informative and knowledgeable.

SUPERB SESSION WAS CONDUCTED

It's very informative I like it

Session was awesome we learnt a lot from this session. These types of sessions must be organized on monthly basis
 mashallah it was very informative and fruitful session related knowledge of listening and empathy.

It's very helpful and beneficial

Networking



<https://sapannews.com/2024/12/03/a-network-of-english-language-teachers-connect-people-like-the-silk-road-once-did/>



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