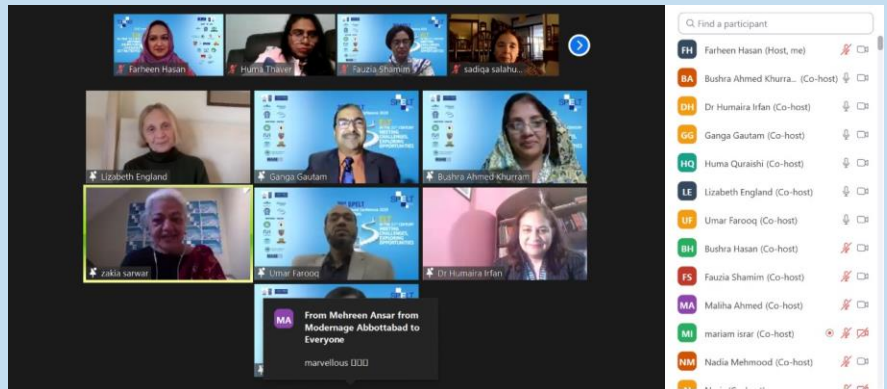




Conference Committee

36th SPELT International Conference 2020

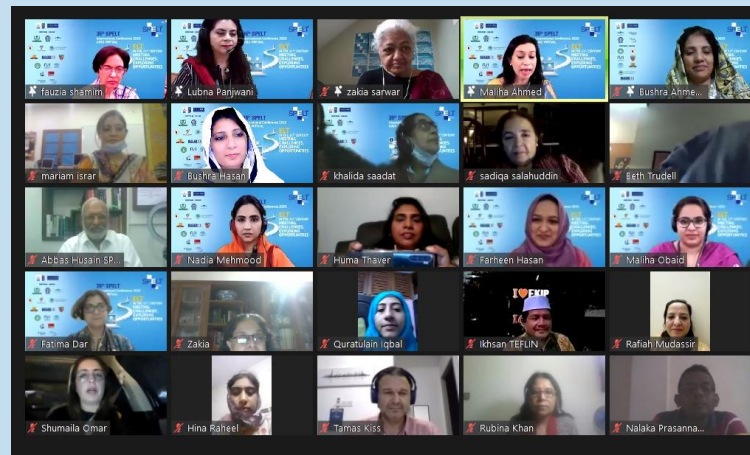
The 36th SPELT International ELT Conference “*ELT in 21st Century: Meeting Challenges, Exploring Opportunities*” was held virtually in Karachi on November 7 & 8, 2020. This annual mega event was powered by Happy Home School which enabled SPELT to bring this academically enriched two-day conference virtually to the teaching community not only in Pakistan but also across the borders. The SPELT Conference was further elevated to its success by the generous support of Oxford University Press. This year the 36th SPELT Conference was also braced up by our Learning Partners which includes Pakistan’s leading schools and organizations.



This two-day event was attended by almost 400 participants who joined from different private and public schools, colleges, universities and other organizations not only from Pakistan but also from the other parts of the world. The world class top ten presenters of ELT community from USA, UK, Malaysia, Australia and Pakistan participated in this international event to share their knowledge and experiences. Prof. Donald Freeman from the University of Michigan, USA, addressed in his Keynote the importance of planning activities for language classrooms and also focused on its uses in learning and teaching effectively. The rich variety of topics was highly appreciated by the attendees of the Conference.

The closing of the conference became the talk of the town when Mr Shahzad Roy announced the names of the winners of Teacher Stories and ended the session with few melodious lines of one of his songs. Mr Shahzad Roy is not only a famous singer but also the CEO of Zindagi Trust that is working to improve the quality of education in Pakistan.

The 36th SPELT International Conference ended with announcement of the theme of the 37th SPELT International Conference 2021: "Teaching English Effectively: Innovations in Policy, Practice, and Research" scheduled to be held on November 6 & 7, 2021.



office staff, the Conference Committee, the Working Committee members and all the wonderful volunteers. Our special thanks to all the sponsors for their generous support. We also thank our family members for their cooperation.

SPELT would like to thank all those who worked day and night to make this event a success, especially the



SPELT Webinar Duration: 2 Hours
Storyboards and Comics for Learning

TARGET AUDIENCE:
 All Teachers, Coordinators, Principals and Heads

Webinar Moderator:
 Lubna Mohyuddin

Date: December 19 - 20, 2020
Time: 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Fee:
 For Member 2000/
 Non Member 2500/

- E-Certificate will be provided
- Limited seats on first come, first served basis

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Periodical Comics are considered as a source of entertainment, whereas storyboarding is a tool for producers in the media production process. But both of these can be effectively used for educational purposes. When the consideration relates to language development, the creative writing task is most difficult to achieve as the learners find it tedious and time taking. Storyboards and comics are trending visuals that engage teachers and learners to determine the best way to tell the story in the allotted timeframe. Therefore, it becomes a possibility to engross students in these to achieve learning outcomes. In this session, we explore the tools and will identify the use of these tools Teaching and Learning.

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Workshop Committee

Topic of the Workshop: Storyboards and Comics for Learning

Duration: 2 Hours

Facilitator: Saima Imran

December 19-20, 2020

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Teacher Stories

In all 132 entries were received. but only 61 qualified for final evaluation. An international panel of judges (Alan Maley[Uk], Dr Michel Medley[USA] Dr Grove Nuray [Turkey] Aneesa Mumtaz [Teacher educator , Pakistan] and Sana Salam [Habib University, Pakistan] reviewed the entries with a mutually agreed upon criteria rubric and were impressed by teachers' powerful stories. Initially 3 'best stories' were to be announced. Because of the high-quality entries and tough competition, the judges recommended four best stories to be chosen as "Award Winners" and another ten stories were selected for Meritorious Mention. Two Award Winners and five Meritorious Mention stories are overseas entries.



In this project, SPELT was partnered by *Durbeen*, and their Govt Elementary College of Education (GECE) as SPELT'S Learning Partner. The head of their ELT section, Mr Hamza Abbasi, assisted SPELT in handling different aspects of the project including sending certificates to participants and delivery of the gift packs, sponsored by Oxford University Press (OUP), to the award winners.

Besides this, Mohsin Tejani's The School of Writing (TSW) has donated published materials worth about Rs 20,000 to be given as prizes to the ten authors of the Meritorious Mention Stories.

Special thanks are due to Durbeen, TSW and OUP for providing such substantial support to this project.

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Academic Committee

Every month, Academic Committee organizes monthly academic sessions free for everyone. This month, the topic of the session is

“A journey of the mind in the classroom: an interactive trip to critical thinking”

Trainer: Ms. Kishwer Nazli

Date: 28 November 2020

Time: 12 to 1 pm

Zoom Link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5020320753?pwd=WWVQUWR4dStYWdDdOYlhSVDBkd1J4Zz09>

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