

# What if Learning



## Training

Do you need to lead a training session with your staff? Or are you involved in in-service training or teacher education? Here you will find resources for presenting the ideas on this site and suggestions for group activities to help groups of teachers engage with the material.

### An introduction for trainers

Here you can find some suggestions for getting to know the material on this site in preparation for leading a training session.

[Creating training sessions](#)

### Group activities

Here are some group activities that you can use as part of a training session to help teachers to engage with the ideas and examples on this site.

[Introductory activity: First response to examples](#)

[Activity: Matching exercise](#)

[Activity: Umbrella exercise](#)

[Activity: From – Towards](#)

### Powerpoints

The following PowerPoint files provide presentation materials that can be used to introduce teachers to some of the central ideas involved in these resources. They come with a script in the notes section (in PowerPoint, go to "view" and select the notes section or use the download of the notes).

[Faith, Schools and Chocolate Cake \(The background\)](#) | [Notes with activities for participants](#)

[What if learning? \(The approach\)](#) | [Notes with activities for participants](#)

[Faith, Hope and Love \(The theology\)](#) | [Notes with activities for participants](#)

Further short video clips useful for teacher training can be found on the [Transforming Lives YouTube channel](#).

### Handouts for the process

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The following handouts are provided for staff development sessions. A number of them are also referenced and linked in the training activity pages above.

There are two versions of the How can I do this myself handout (follow link, then click "print"):

[How do I do this myself? \(Primary\)](#)

[How do I do this myself? \(Secondary\)](#)

The strategy documents can be used in three forms:

- You can print the full documents: these are useful as reference material for teachers to take away and put in a folder for long-term use.
- You can print a shorter working document for use on the day of the training: these are useful for teachers practising the approach
- You can use the summary documents as prompts and for quick reference on the day.

## Strategy handouts

The following four documents offer two summariew, a short version, and a full version of strategies for seeing anew. Seeing anew refers to allowing Christian ways of seeing the world to inform what we do.

[Seeing Anew summary](#)

[Seeing Anew working document](#)

[Seeing Anew full document](#)

[Alternative Seeing Anew summary: 'From-To'](#)

The following three documents offer a summary, short version, and full version of strategies for choosing engagement. Choosing engagement is about the ways we interact with one another, with the things we are teaching and learning about, and with the world outside our classrooms.

[Strategies for Engagement summary](#)

[Strategies for Engagement working document](#)

[Strategies for Engagement full document](#)

The following three documents offer a summary, short version, and full version of strategies for reshaping practice. Reshaping practice puts the focus on what teachers do in order to reflect their new way of seeing in their teaching. It is changing the habits and practices of teaching to work with a new perspective.

[Strategies for Reshaping Practice summary](#)

[Strategies for Reshaping Practice working document](#)

[Strategies for Reshaping Practice full document](#)

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