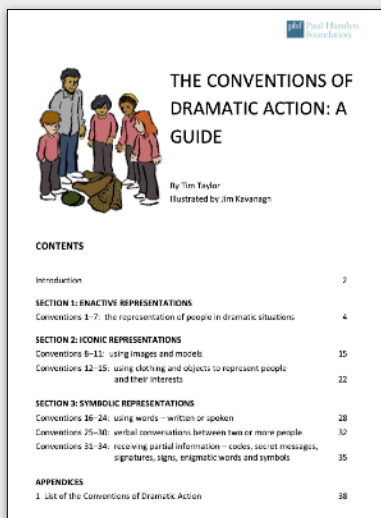


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Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to welcome you to the latest edition of the Mantle of the Expert newsletter. Mantle of the Expert supports educators worldwide in creating engaging and thoughtful classrooms using imaginary contexts for learning. In this edition, we provide key information on available training and support, highlight upcoming events, and share valuable resources designed to enhance your practice.

Planning

Visit our website and discover over 50 Mantle of the Expert contexts written by teachers for teachers. New contexts every month. This month: 'Whitby: A Victorian Mystery' for KS2 and 'Park Keepers' for KS1.



<https://www.mantleoftheexpert.com/>

Mantle of the Expert International Network for Advanced Practitioners

Organised by Viv Aitken and the Dramatic Inquiry Network Aotearoa, this network has been established to connect advanced practitioners from around the world.

The purpose is to meet regularly online and discuss issues related to the teaching and research of Mantle of the Expert, with a particular focus on six papers written specifically for the project by Tim Taylor.

These papers explore advanced tools and heuristics developed by Dorothy Heathcote. Topics covered so far include: 'A Practical Guide to the Conventions', 'Internal Coherence', and 'The Circle of Progression'.

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Dorothy Heathcote Now *International Drama Conference*

"THE BEST CONFERENCE ON DRAMA IN EDUCATION
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With an international line-up of presenters including: Cecily O'Neill, Brian Edmiston, Tim Taylor, Stig A. Eriksson, Bob Selderslaghs, Vaishali Chakravarty, Iona Towler Evans and more!

Goldsmiths College, University of London 7th-10th

<https://www.mantlenetwork.com>

Try This: Unlocking Learning with Imagination

Try This is a great collection of forty tried and tested learning sequences, or 'keys', designed to bring classroom learning alive.

If you are a teacher planning to create active, engaging, rigorous and memorable learning experiences for your students, this book is for you.

All the keys use Dramatic Inquiry; an approach to teaching based on the methods of legendary educator Dorothy Heathcote.

"I am constantly amazed by the miracle of the way thinking about a dramatic idea can in an instant become that of carrying it into action. There is a world of difference between someone in a class saying, 'Well they would take all their belongings with them', and saying, 'Let's pack up and leave'. That is the switch I work for, to enable a dramatic exploration of ideas to take place."

Dorothy Heathcote, *Signs and Portents*

What people are saying about *Try This*...

"The whole concept, including the metaphor of keys, is brilliant. It is like reading your favourite recipe book, with simple instructions that anyone can follow and return to time and again."

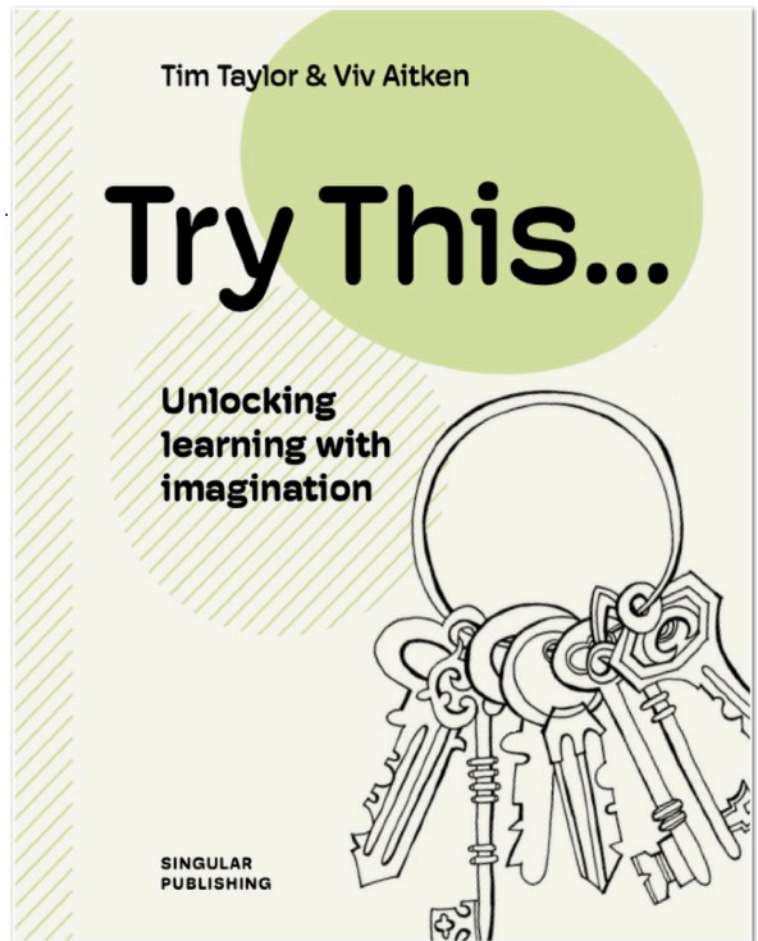
Whakarongo Tauranga, Associate Principal, Knighton Normal School, Hamilton, Aotearoa New Zealand

"What a stunning book this is! Will breathe life into children's learning and joy into your teaching."

Nicole Winter, St Nicholas C of E Primary School, Wantage, UK

"Teachers, if you would like a classroom full of highly invested, engaged learners busily immersed in a context and eager to learn more, then have a little dabble with Try This. You don't even need to read the whole book ... but I bet you do! An absolute game changer."

Julia Baker, Deputy Head Teacher, Bradshaw Primary School, Halifax, UK



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Tim Taylor



Viv Aitken

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This beginner's course to Mantle of the Expert will introduce you to the fundamental elements of the Mantle of the Expert approach and its application in the classroom. Ideal for staff-meetings or self-study.

Online course for intermediate and advanced users

A five unit online course focusing on the methods and principles used to engage children in learning and make Mantle of the Expert work successfully in the classroom. Sign up and study at your own pace. Includes resources, planning, and exercises for practicing in the classroom.

"I have been using Mantle of the Expert in my teaching for 15 years, and this course elevated my understanding and teaching of MOE in leaps and bounds! The course systematizes MOE so that it's not just something you have to figure out on your own. It breaks everything down, naming the components and techniques, and explains each in a step-by-step way. The best part for me was to see and hear examples of these various components and how they are applied to a unit of study. I was able to use what I learned in my teaching immediately."

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Training in Mantle of the Expert 2024/25



Mantle of the Expert has been recognised as a transformative approach to teaching and learning. Our training and professional development offerings are uniquely comprehensive, combining INSET sessions, demonstration lessons, one-to-one coaching, and online courses. To learn more about how we can support the development of Mantle of the Expert in your setting, please visit our website or contact us directly at: admin@mantleoftheexpert.com.

Here are some of the things people have said about our courses:

"Thank you so much for such the inspiring training. Lou and I returned to work full of new ideas! My area for professional development within the three dimensions of MoE was inquiry. I re-planned a lesson based around drama using the skills I had learnt on this training. Wow! The results were amazing. The children were asking a lot more questions and analysing situations but also discussing ways of improving and developing the situation we were in within our story."

"The training really consolidated my learning and gave me fresh ideas on how to engage children in a meaningful ways. This is the most comprehensive and practical training available on Mantle of the Expert. Having practiced MOE in many schools, this course gave me new skills and ideas to take to the classroom. This course is essential for any teacher or practitioner looking to practice Mantle of the Expert, it has revolutionised the way we work in schools."

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