

## TEACHING FLUENCY USING THE VERBAL CLASSROOMS METHOD

FREE ONLINE WEBINAR



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**SPEAKER**



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**TIME**

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The presenter, with over 20 years of experience, will share effective techniques and activities, ranging from basic patterns to advanced methods, aimed at improving students' fluency and speech speed, including activities like Word Throw and Timed Speeches, and techniques like Disagreement.

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### ABSTRACT

All teachers want their students to achieve higher levels of fluency, but how to teach it, and what classroom methods actually work? The presenter has been teaching fluency-based speaking classes for over 20 years and will share his methods and theories to get students to speak faster and to say more. In addition to a basic description of the essentials of his teaching techniques, he

will demonstrate some classroom activities, from the basic **Answer-Question pattern** (AQP) to, **One Idea, One Breath** (OIOB) which are aimed at basic fluency awareness and improvement, to more advanced methods such as **Word Throw**, **Timed Speeches** and **Disagreements**. Time permitting there will also be an introduction to his authentic listening / fluency practice website, GOLDFish365 - <https://goldfish365.com/>.

## PRESENTER

**José Domingo Cruz**, the creator of Verbal Classrooms, has given numerous presentations and keynotes for various conferences and educational events, and works on several English study projects, including his main venture, “GOLDFish365”. Cruz is the author of, “Teaching with ZOOM 2” Published by Wayzgoose Press. He helped create the protocols for and led the team of volunteer Room Hosts that guided the presentations for the pioneering online conferences for PANSig and the JALT National conferences of 2020. Cruz is a leading member of Online Teaching Japan, an online discussion group on Facebook centering on topics related to professional development for pedagogy, and where he hosts the broadcasts of “OTJtv”. He is a recipient of a “Michele Steele Best of JALT 2023” award. Cruz is from Canada, and is a veteran university instructor and Japan resident, specializing in fluency instruction, authentic materials creation, and online education. [jose@goldfish365.com](mailto:jose@goldfish365.com)

