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1. Back to Work



2. 'Addressing Learners Pronunciation Needs' workshop

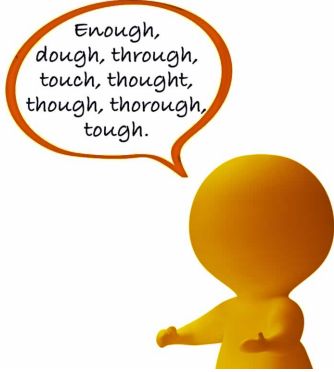
Teachers often have difficulty knowing how to address the pronunciation needs of their learners.

This interactive forum will focus on the different elements of pronunciation, exploring some theory related to phonology and how research can inform teachers' practice.

Thursday February 28 2019, 6.00 – 8.00

Free to members but RSVP required

[Details and registration](#)



Enough,
dough, through,
touch, thought,
though, thorough,
tough.

3. 2019 VALBEC Conference - call for presentations shortly

Resilience: connect, educate, empower

VALBEC Conference • May 17, 2019

Our 2019 theme – **Resilience: connect, educate, empower** – invites us to celebrate and explore how teachers, students and institutes achieve in education. How do we change what we can, adjust to what we can't and keep our eye on the goal of success for students? Do we bring resilience with us, reveal it through language and collegiate action or both?

Join us on May 17th, 2019 to explore just how we have managed to

- Connect – with colleagues, community and students to succeed in a new skill, or lay down the foundations for something new
- Educate – by the development and delivery of good learning experiences for students or staff.
- Empower – demonstrate how learning has enabled students or colleagues to utilise their resilience to achieve their goals

A call for presentations will be circulated shortly.

4. Fine Print and 'The Meaning of Life'

Welcome to the start of the 2019 teaching year from the Fine Print editorial committee.

We will be publishing Volume 42 of Fine Print this year and, as any fan of The Hitch Hiker's Guide to the Galaxy will tell you, 42 is the answer to the question: 'What is the meaning of life?'



The meaning of life for Fine Print is to be a forum for researchers, practitioners and policy makers to ask each other questions and suggest some possible answers. While the content for Issue #1 is well in hand, we welcome you to submit proposals for future issues. Please contact fineprint@valbec.org.au

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5. Vacancy - Adult Learning Centre Manager – Yuendumu

Warlpiri Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation

Warlpiri Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation (WYDAC), was created by, and for, Warlpiri people, and is governed by a Warlpiri Committee. WYDAC head office is located in Yuendumu Community, and the organisation has permanent staffing and operations at five different Warlpiri sites – Yuendumu, Willowra, Nyirripi, Lajamanu remote communities and Mt Theo Outstation.



A vacancy now exists for an Adult Learning Centre Manager

- Are you passionate about providing opportunities for education and personal growth to people in remote communities?
- Join an organisation dedicated to improving the quality of life for Aboriginal youth in the community

- Highly attractive remuneration package circa \$120,000 inclusive of base salary, super, salary packaging and a range of benefits

Closing date February 15, 2019

[More details](#)

6. Free Summer Reading

Are you looking to load up the iPads, introduce your learners to e-books, or provide them with some 'book club' reading? The Book Next Door has three intermediate level e-books free to download until February 28.

Go to smashwords.com and search for Clare Harris – you have to sign up, but there's a coupon code for free downloads. Two of the books are epub (Apple-compatible) only, but one is also Kindle-friendly.

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