



## Opening Doors to cultivating a GDS English curriculum at UKS2: taking a closer look at narrative Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025, 9am -3pm

Principled and practical professional development for leaders and teachers of English in  
Year 5 & 6

*Opening Doors* author and consultant Angela Jenkins in partnership with Penn Wood  
Primary and Nursery School

Day held at Penn Wood Primary and Nursery School, Penn Road, Slough, SL2 1PH



Join us for a practical insight into how to begin:

- Crafting a rich and ambitious reading landscape
- Envisaging the journey from reading into writing
- Recognising and celebrating early impact - igniting teachers' professional curiosity and sparking children's desire to read and write with joy and volition.

As a long-established Talk for Writing Training Centre, Penn Wood has securely embedded the Talk for Writing principles within its English curriculum and has great experience of working in partnership with other schools. Leaders and teachers have further enriched the English curriculum by embracing *Opening Doors*, where the reading to writing journeys are designed so that all children engage with rich language, ideas and concepts: **building the skill and the will to write creatively.**

Angela Jenkins is a KS2 writing moderation manager for 3 local authorities, an LA school improvement adviser and independent English consultant. She is currently Chair of the National Association of Advisers in English.  
Cost: £95 for one delegate, £160 for two delegates from one school

### **What do teachers at Penn Wood say about the value and impact of *Opening Doors* in partnership with Talk for Writing?**

- *Opening Doors* has enriched our English curriculum as there is a natural synergy between this approach and Talk for Writing. The two align completely, sharing similar principles at their heart – English teaching grounded in quality literature and the belief that all children should have access to the most ambitious curriculum.
- *Opening Doors* strategies have enabled our children to make meaningful links and connections between texts, fuelling rich discussions about quality literature.
- In 2024, we were commended during a successful KS2 Moderation for having a range of writing evidence, in which children draw upon their rich reading diet to support their writing, with high levels of independence.

### **What's different about this professional learning and development day?**

- Observe and reflect on live teaching and recorded classroom practice/pupil voice at Penn Wood
- Explore the key principles and strategies of the *Opening Doors* approach
- Engage in a rich dialogue with leaders and teachers
- FREE copy of the \*NEW\* *Opening Doors* to an Ambitious Primary English Curriculum guide book plus an opportunity to purchase other OD books in the series at half-price.

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