

## Transcript of LLAMA video

Hello! I'm Anne Margaret. I'm an English language teacher, a dyslexia assessor and a teacher trainer.

Now if, like me, you're working with multilingual students, students who have dyslexia, or another specific learning difference, you'll probably find that music is a great way to engage them and help them to grasp certain aspects of language and develop their literacy practices.

You might already be using songs in your lessons, and that's great. This course will help you to take a step forward, and tap into certain aspects of music which overlap with language. Things like: pitch, rhythm, tempo, volume. These are tools we can use to refine the way we put our messages across.

Music's also a fantastic way to help students develop their memory strategies, and increase their self-confidence. And you might also notice better group cohesion in your class, because a lot of the activities demand quite a lot of team work in order to be completed successfully.

Now – I'm NOT a musician! And you don't have to have any musical talent, particularly, to make the most of the course, and the activities that we suggest. I've been working with a community musician, Matthew Evens, and we've put together a series of activities which mean that any teacher can bring music into the classroom very easily, and adapt the activities for a whole range of different students.

This course, as well, has been designed to be as accessible as possible for busy professionals. So you can start whenever you like, you can work at your own pace. There are 8 bite-sized lessons, probably less than 10 minutes each. And they consist of a little bit of input and a task to do, and we've even provided suggested responses, so you can check your own work as you go.

But if you do feel you that you'd like to get in touch, if you've got a question to ask or something you'd like to discuss in a bit more depth, you can email me at any point, and I'd be really happy to chat through things with you.

I really hope you'll take this opportunity to extend your professional practice, and I look forward to working with you.