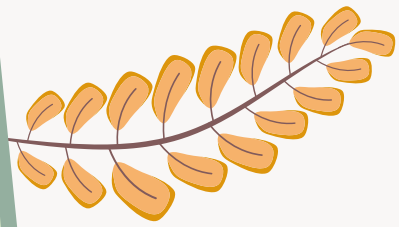# Write Right for Everyone with AI

Speaker: Katherine Reilly
ELT Author & Teacher Trainer

"Writing Proficiency Crisis"

Only about **27%** of U.S. students in grades 4 through 12 are considered **proficient writers.**

Does this situation reflect the context of your country?

Write in the chat/comments

"Literacy Struggles"

UNESCO data show that, globally, only **58%** of primary school students **reach minimum proficiency in reading.**

That means **42% are struggling** to attain **basic literacy skills**

Reading & Writing

Reading proficiency and **writing** skills are deeply **intertwined**

Students who **struggle to access texts** fluently often **face even greater challenges** producing clear, cohesive **writing**.

Urgent need for interventions like **inclusive AI writing tools** in ELT materials.

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Artificial Intelligence (AI) definition*:

"The study and development of computer systems that can copy intelligent human behavior."
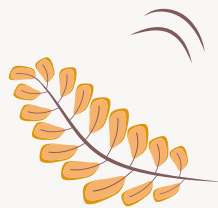
What are YOUR feelings on AI?

Write in the chat/comments

Ethical Considerations

Before using any AI tools make sure that the relevant people, learners, parents and school communities - know you're using this tool, and encourage students <u>not</u> to share any personally identifiable data while using them. Some tools may collect data, and some may have age restrictions. For example, ChatGPT requires that children ages 13 to 18 obtain parental consent before using it. Find out what you can about each tool before using it.
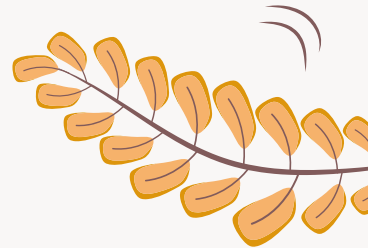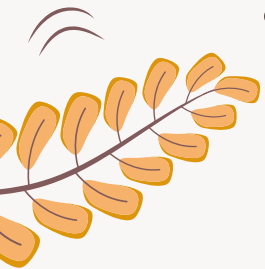
Why Inclusive Teaching with AI?

- Socioeconomic Factors: poverty, lack of resources, large classes

- Language barriers and multilingual classrooms

- Insufficient Teacher Training on differentiation or equity-focused apporoaches

Struggles with Writing: Impact on Learning

- Students risk falling behind across all subjects since writing is key to demonstrating understanding.

- Low writing proficiency can lower self-esteem and participation.

AI tools for writing

ChatGPT.com

An AI chatbot that supports learners with ***brainstorming***, ***organizing ideas***, *and* ***producing clear, structured writing.***

e.g. You assign your students a writing task about the pros & cons of studying abroad.

Link: https://chatgpt.com/ → watch demonstration

✦ Get Plus

What can I help with?

Ask anything

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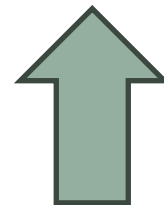
Insert question/request here   ⬆

Ready when you are.

I need an upper intermediate (B1) level writing task about the pros and cons of studying abroad. Can you produce the topic for my students to write?

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Type question and click on arrow

AI tools for reading comprehension

ChatGPT.com

*Use this AI chatbot for **scaffolding** in reading comprehension, to benefit students who struggle and need simpler texts.*

e.g. You wish to transform an upper-intermediate text (B2) to an elementary version (A2) and an intermediate version (B1)

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AI for Critical thinking

ChatGPT for critical thinking

- *Use it to create a short moral story with an* ***open ending***

- *The teacher prints the story and brings it to class.*

- *The students predict and write their own endings*

- *They justify their choices in discussion and reflect upon values, choices, and perspectives*

- *Multiple outcomes, personal and cultural perspectives*

Link: https://chatgpt.com/ → watch demonstration

AI tools for speech to text

Google's Docs Voice Typing

*A free, browser-based speech-to-text tool that lets students **speak their ideas** and have them **instantly transcribed.***

Who would benefit?

*Students who wish to express their ideas **freely** as they **'hear their writing'** and catch errors they might miss*

Link: https://docs.google.com Open a Google Doc in Chrome.

AI tools for grammar and syntax
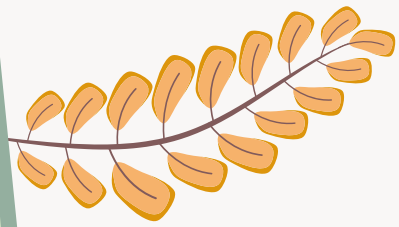
QuillBot.com

*An AI writing tool offering **paraphrasing**, **grammar checking**, and **improved word usage** features to improve writing efficiency.*

Who would benefit?

Students who wish to improve grammar/syntax OR struggle to understand a text

e.g. You wish to proofread a student's writing task
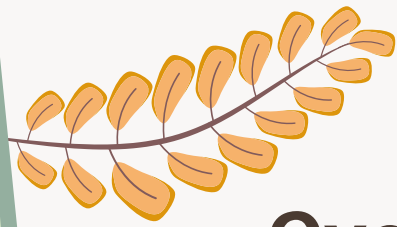
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Benefits of AI use in education

- Supports inclusion

- Reduces teacher workload

- Materials customization

- Sparking creativity

For what purpose do YOU use AI?

Write in the chat/comments

Over-reliance on AI:
When the tool takes over!

Instead of banning AI, teach students how to:

🎯 Prompt it ethically

✅ Compare outputs

📝 Rewrite in their own voice

🧠 Reflect on what the AI tool missed.

Addressing bias & discrimination

AI systems trained on biased datasets may reinforce stereotypes or exclude LGBTQI+ identities, racial minorities, or other underrepresented groups.

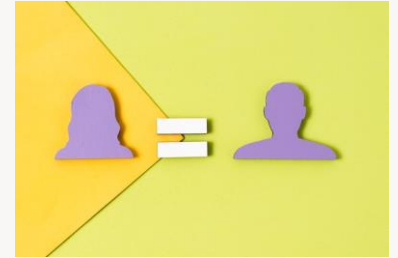**Educators must be vigilant in identifying these biases and advocate for inclusive AI development.**

Image from Frreepik.com

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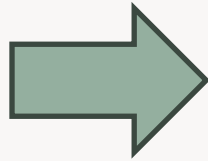
Which students in YOUR class could benefit most from AI?

Please comment in chat

Handout & Presentation

Scan the QR code or just visit **katherinereilly.blog**

Thanks!

Do you have any questions?

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AI Tools for ELT Use

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