

## THRASS ONE-DAY FOUNDATION COURSE, SUFFOLK, JAN 4, 2006

This was a really valuable day. We were given an excellent explanation of all aspects of THRASS teaching. The ideas for games to play to involve THRASS in the classroom were great – thankyou.

Excellent presentation, enthusiastic, informative and stimulating.

A useful and interesting introduction to THRASS. Lots of practical uses and resources.

I thought the course was well organised and it was nice to see somebody so enthusiastic about their work! I found a lot of 'things' were cleared up and the games ideas were brilliant – I have been struggling to think of some! Thank you very much!

After today's informative course we will be adopting THRASS across the whole school. Thankyou.

A lot of information to take in, but presented very well. Hilary was very enthusiastic, which made us very positive about THRASS.

Very informative, clear and fun day. Good use of practising with individual charts, great game ideas.

Thank you very much. Enthusiastic and informative presentation.

A very informative course that will help me to use THRASS more effectively in the classroom.

Very good – a lot of enthusiasm! As a school we already use THRASS but this has given us new ideas and widened our understanding.

Informative introduction. Even though we already use it in school it gave us a few more ideas.

Very good. I found it useful and workable. Please send details of "15 Minutes a Day" and I.T. programs.

Although 'THRASS' used in classroom previously, I have always been quite confused as to how it all works. I hope to be able to assist children with playing games/spelling choices in future. Enjoyable.

It has been an enjoyable 'refresher' session and I've learnt how to use some resources correctly today.

A very informative day – thankyou. Thanks for the goodies to take home. What a lot to get through!

Very interesting, well presented.

Enthusiastic tutor, good resources, very informative. A lot of information to absorb in a one day course.

A very informative and straightforward day which will enable us to use our THRASS charts to full effect – and hopefully encourage some of the other members of staff in our school to use too.

A very informative and enjoyable course. I now have much more understanding of THRASS teaching.

Full and varied course which was executed with pace and enthusiasm. Fresh to this area, I now go away with a good understanding of THRASS.

A very informative and enjoyable day. I have gained a lot of knowledge of how and why we use THRASS in the classroom.

A very valuable day with so much to learn about! It has given me so many more ideas for use in the classroom and ideas to help me with my understanding! Thank you very much.

Very enthusiastic informative delivery. Good ideas – good explanation of resources. Practical solutions.

A really informative course which gave plenty of relevant information and made no assumptions about previous knowledge. A very effective and communicative speaker – excellent!  
Today has been very informative and will have positive effects on my teaching of word level work in literacy and spelling in all curriculum areas. Thankyou.

Very informative. Lots of practical advice.

My first term in school, therefore extremely informative! Have far better understanding of THRASS now and can therefore apply in class more confidently.

Very informative, lots of practical advice. Mrs. Davies was very enthusiastic.

I have enjoyed the course and feel that it will be a great help with the work that I do, and help the children that I work with. Thankyou.

Very informative and enjoyable day. Lots of useful resources and ideas, which will help greatly in my support within the school.

A very helpful day with lots of practical ideas to use in the classroom (both in focussed sessions and as shorter sections). Thankyou.

Thankyou for a very helpful day. You've provided lots of new, exciting ideas for the classroom.

A very useful course. I have learnt many ways of making THRASS more interesting and how to make it more beneficial.

An excellent course that has certainly taught me a lot and reminded me of many things I have forgotten. It will certainly be used in the classroom.

Very useful and will aim to use within school across the year groups. Looking forward to using the resources and to seeing and using the 15-minute plans.

Very useful introduction to THRASS and to the resources to support teaching and learning. Would be very interested to looking through "15 minutes a Day", when published, in order to see how to plan to interpret THRASS into Literacy Hour and other curriculum areas.

A wonderful day. Lots of practical ideas, resources and structures to follow. I will start tomorrow!

Excellent. Fun, informative. Very impressed with Hilary's knowledge.

Good introduction to a very valuable "resource".

This was an extremely informative day, which was clearly structured to show the way in which THRASS can be used effectively and the progression throughout the school. It will have an impact on my teaching in literacy and throughout other curriculum areas. Also, on my work as an AST with ITT.

A most informative and well-organised day. A lot of information to take away and digest. It was clearly demonstrated how THRASS could be used effectively across the whole age range.

Very informative course. Lively, interesting presentation. I now have a much greater understanding of the course materials and how to use them to best effect Will certainly be making use of the materials.

A very interesting day well organised. I now have a clear idea of where to begin and how to use THRASS with my class, and will be interested to see the effect it has on my children.

Vry informative. Lots of interaction. I came for a refresher and it was surprising how much I'd forgotten. I use the THRASS handwriting in the Nursery but hopefully my colleague and I will be able to implement much more.

I learnt lots but I don't think I would currently use more than T1, 2 and 3. I would like the overwriting sheet to be twice the size of lettering as it is very small for children just beginning to write.

Very informative. Increased understanding - ll help with techniques I use with children in class.

I have come away with lots of ideas for introducing THRASS but fewer for using with Y4 who know the chart but don't make enough use of it. I'd have liked an overview at the start of the 'final aim'. I also think that the amount of talking while Hilary was presenting indicates that people needed discussion time – on how to use ideas in class or whole school issues. Many thanks. I found it useful.

A great day. It has left me with a greater understanding of THRASS. I now feel more confident to use this to work with the pupils.

Very informative. Learnt a lot more about THRASS. Thankyou.

Very informative and also fun. Lots of ideas for informing the children. Thankyou.

Very good and informative. We have the Picturechart at school and I have had to work with it sometimes, but was never sure how to use it properly. I will now.

Great – very informative.

A great day – very clearly and enthusiastically presented. An enjoyable day! New ideas to take THRASS across the curriculum and involve it in playground activities. Lots of short, sharp games to fill gaps but linked to teaching the handwriting grids to help letter formation.

An excellent and very enthusiastic presentation. Keen now to use some of the new ideas/strategies with the children and hopefully acquire some useful additional resources shown today. Looking forward to using THRASS further with a new impetus and enthusiasm.

Very useful and informative. Thanks.

An excellent informative day. Very enthusiastic teacher.

Well structured. Excellent day.

An excellent course, very helpful, especially as an NQT. I shall be further developing my expertise using the resources supplied. I would very much like to do Day 2.

Although I've had some basic training before – this has been an excellent refresher and update of resources. Presentation of materials was very professional.

A very good course. Easy to follow and very informative. I feel more confident about working with the children and using THRASS.

A very valuable learning experience. I will use THRASS from now on. Thankyou.

Very interesting and informative. Lots of ideas for games.

I felt the presentation increased my knowledge and understanding and enforced what I already knew.

An excellent course that has given me several ideas for the teaching of phonics particularly for digraph and trigraph recognition.

A good introduction into an unknown area. Could do with being two half days, to allow it to sink in.

Great to have whole school input. Lively, entertaining, informative. Thought the background information very useful – something I've not come across before.

Very good! Lots of useful information and I hope to use it in school.

Very comprehensive day, very useful. Well presented and good materials for us to access. Thanks.

Thankyou for an enthusiastic refresher. It has inspired me to get stuck into THRASS again and hopefully now, my colleagues have heard about it first hand they will be as enthusiastic as me.

A very stimulating and inspiring day. Thankyou.