How to create learner-centred content using Thinglink

CEFR level: Any level

Trinity Qualification(s) type: GESE and ISE

Skills Focus: All skills

Resources:

Register on Thinglink

Description:

1. Thinglink brings images, video and 360-degree virtual tours to life with information, voice and text notes, as well as other resources. You can sign up on the https://www.thinglink.com/edu website and choose your plan. The basic plan is free.

- 2. Think about your learners' needs and interests. What are they interested in? Take time to consider what images to use and how the learners can exploit it. Images are available on the Thinglink gallery, or you can use screenshots and your own mobile photos.
- 3. Upload your image to Thinglink. Add and position your 'tags' e.g. this could be a text, a video, an audio, for example, that you want to embed in the photo. Remember that you can grade the language according to your learners' levels. Think about your tags. Do you want them to follow a specific order e.g. 1,2,3, or do you want to have different categories?
- 4. There are four different types of tag:

Text and Media You can add a combination of text and media, and the text in the tag will open.

Text Tags These are great for quick short text tags.

Embed Tags that can be websites, videos, maps or other web-based tools.

Tour Tags You can link your ThingLink creations together to create your own tour.

- 5. There is a free online course if you are new to using Thinglink https://education.microsoft.com/en-us/course/052154c4/0
- 6. Thinglink can be used in Microsoft Teams: https://support.thinglink.com/hc/en-us/articles/360025086114-Using-ThingLink-with-Microsoft-Teams
- 7. Meeting your learners' needs and also developing your and their digital skills toolbox. Exploit these tools and save time!







- 1. Sign up and confirm account (check your spam folder as well!)
- 2. Click the blue create button at the top right.
- 3. Select a picture (or a file from your device). Ensure you adhere to copyright by using royalty free photo sites such as unsplash.com or shutterstock.com)
- 4. Edit by using different tags.
- 5. Share via shareable link, embed the code, or share directly to multiple social media platforms.



