

A transition to Language Coach

Interview with Camille Delefortrie, English and Dutch teacher, Canada



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Can you describe your professional career before taking the language coaching certification (LCC)?

I was a secondary school teacher of English as a foreign language and Dutch as a second language. I taught those languages to teenagers in the public school system for 2 years.

How did you find the course?

It was amazing, I really learned a lot! It also gave me ideas to make my language teaching more efficient and helped me gain clarity about what I would like to do in the future.

Which highlights or insights did you gain from the LCC?

I was already interested in our amazing brain and the learning process but it gave me more information on how to apply all the theory to the teaching practice. The coaching principles were very new to me and I am amazed by how helpful they are, even for regular teachers.

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What was the immediate impact on your way of teaching after taking the course?

I know the course will have a serious impact on the way I teach languages. Powerful questioning, efficient goal setting and the importance of calming the brain are elements that I now consider essential for my practice.

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Were there any impacts on your personal life during or after the course?

I am a good listener but I hate giving advice to people so I find the coaching principles very helpful for my interpersonal relationships. I know now how to stir conversations toward them making the decisions for themselves.

How was your professional development after the course?

I am starting individual teaching with adults within a private language school and I hope to be able to integrate what I learned in those lessons.

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How has the course changed the way you deliver a language course?

I teach in a less directive style, I let the learner be in charge of his own learning and make sure to take learning styles into account.

Is there any additional information that you would like to add?

Thank you for this high quality course! I learned a lot in a friendly and supportive atmosphere. The course is well structured and useful for everybody interested in sharing his/her passion for languages.

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