

## MEET THE ATA TEAM

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**Welcome** to our newsletter!

The ATA newsletter will be distributed monthly and will highlight upcoming events, training and network meetings taking place.

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## What's been happening at ATA?

### LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

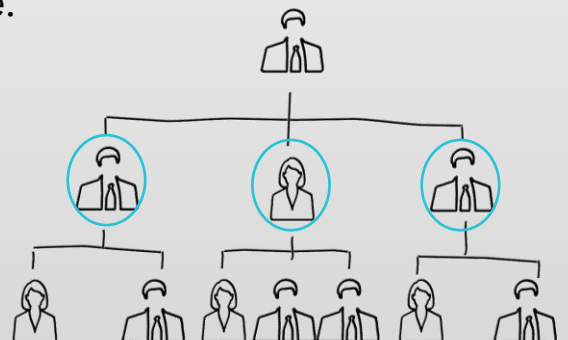
ATA are excited to announce that the Tier 4 Middle Leadership Programme has now launched. Over 50 staff signed up to this programme and we are very much looking forward to the journey of growth and collaboration that lies ahead!



**Missed the deadline for this cohort?** Don't worry, we will be looking to take on a second cohort at the start of the new academic year and will share communication and guidance on sign-up in advance of the deadline.

### Want to know more about the Leadership Academy?

Below you can find an overview of the various programmes available for leaders at all stages of their career.



## LEADERSHIP DIPLOMA

Our talented MOE leads are now well underway in the leadership programme through our partner, Queen Rania Academy. Participants have now completed modules on “Curriculum, teaching and assessment,” and “Supervision, evaluation and professional learning for continuous improvement.” We are excited to share further updates on this programme which supports our leaders to be the best they can be.



QUEEN RANIA TEACHER ACADEMY  
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We thought we would share a little leadership inspiration with you with the following quote. Why not share this in your next leadership meeting and discuss this collaboratively; it's a great starter exercise to get things moving!

**LEADERSHIP QUOTE** اقتباسات في القيادة

**If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.** إذا كانت أفعالك تلهم الآخرين ليحلموا أفضل، ويتعلموا أفضل، ويعملوا أفضل، ويصبحوا أفضل، فأنت قائد.

-John Quincy Adams - جون كوينسي آدامز

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I was pleased to join the distinguished Senior Leadership Programme with the Queen Rania Teacher Training Academy. The training is characterized by collaboration, interaction and professional dialogue language between the Academy and the interns in the session. This training is the link between the educational processes taking place in schools and their actual application, where I feel confident and passionate in the work of the programmes and duties also required in my field of work as an educational leader in curriculum design, technical support and educational supervision. My perspective of my tasks and responsibilities has changed positively. The diploma step is a remarkable one, particularly given that it is offered in Arabic and focuses on changing the culture of teaching and learning comprehensively and from a global perspective rather than on specific methodologies.

**Asmahan Al Menterhi**  
Assistant Principal  
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## INTERNSHIP TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMME

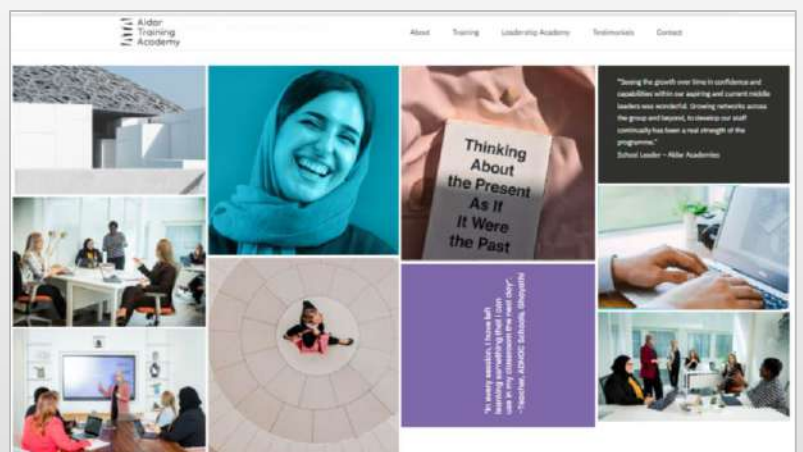
The first cohort of the ITT programme has now come to an end with over fifty aspiring educators completing the professional development and school-based practicum across Aldar Education schools.

This programme supports aspiring teachers with developing their pedagogical awareness as well as developing the skills and ability to manage practical elements of the teaching role.



## ATA WEBSITE

We are excited to announce the launch of the [www.ata.ae](http://www.ata.ae) website! Why not head over and check out all the features!? Any training dates available for sign-up will be added to the calendar of the website and registration can be completed through the calendar booking system! All registrations are sent to your CPD lead for approval and once this approval is granted you will be notified of your place on the course!



Don't see a course you are interested in? Why not let us know by email [info@ata.ae](mailto:info@ata.ae).

## BAT TRAINING

Becoming a trainer is a two-part ACTVET accredited training session that focuses on developing participants skills, knowledge and understanding of how to plan and deliver an effective, purposeful, and impactful workshop or training session.



This course is suitable for:

- Individuals in a leadership position whereby staff development is central to their role.
- Individuals who are specialised in their field and have capacity to impart this to others.
- Individuals who have the talent and capacity to drive change through purposeful and targeted support and training.
- Individuals who regularly deliver training and support as part of staff development/talent management processes.
- Individuals who have a desire to enhance their presentation skills.



Interested? Then check out the upcoming training dates below:

AUDIENCE	TRAINING	DATE	TIME
Aldar HQ	BAT Part 1	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	FULL DAY
Aldar HQ	BAT Part 2	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	FULL DAY
School Staff	BAT Part 1	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	FULL DAY
School Staff	BAT Part 2	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	FULL DAY
School Staff & HQ	BAT Refresher	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	FULL DAY

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## DEPTH OF RIGOR BESPOKE WORKSHOP

In January, the ATA team delivered 'Depth of Rigor' training to the staff at Al Danah Charter School. More than 100 members of staff attended the training which was delivered in English and Arabic. Participants in this workshop identified the concept of rigor and its importance in the classroom as well as exploring a variety of strategies that provide opportunities for challenge, stretch and support. Teachers were tasked with completing a follow up task to embed and evaluate various strategies.

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Practical application with colleagues to exchange experiences and views.

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The workshop was great equipped with a lot of rich ideas.

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Great strategies and resources to embed depth of rigor into everyday practice!

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The content was very helpful, grade level collaboration, sharing of thoughts and ideas are always a bonus.

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Good balance of explanation and practical activities to embed knowledge.

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It was very informative and offered a variety of strategies that can be used throughout all grades.

*Interested in this workshop being delivered at your school? Get in touch with us via email [info@ata.ae](mailto:info@ata.ae) with your request.*

## CENTRALISED TRAINING IS BACK!

The ATA team were so excited to launch the first centralised training of 2022 with the course '**Depth of Rigor – Embedding Challenge in the Classroom**'. This course was so popular that it reached maximum capacity in just 1 hour and 30 minutes!!

Due to popular demand a second session (also fully booked) will take place in February.

Be sure to follow us on our socials for announcements on new course offerings available for sign-up through the ATA website!

**FULL CAPACITY**

أكاديمية Aldor Training Academy  
التدريب

ONLINE WORKSHOP

### DEPTH OF RIGOR WORKSHOP

**'Embedding Challenge in the Classroom'**

This workshop explores the concept of rigor and its importance in the classroom. Participants will identify and evaluate various strategies and resources that can be embedded into the classroom to create opportunities for effective challenge, support and stretch.

**Date of Workshop:** Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022

**Workshop Timing:** 2 pm – 4 pm

**Target Audience:** Teachers/Middle Leaders/Senior Leaders

**Minimum Number of Participants:** Please note that the session requires a minimum number of 10 persons to take place.

**Workshop Sign-up:** Please [click here](#) to register the interested participants from your school.

**Maximum Number of Participants:** 25 participants. Places are given on a first come, first serve basis.

**Sign-up Closes:** Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022

For any inquiries, please email us [info@ata.ae](mailto:info@ata.ae), and the ATA team will be delighted to assist you.

To keep up with what is going on at ATA, follow and support us through the our social media channels mentioned below.

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## ORACY PROGRAMME

This course is aimed at aspiring or existing middle leaders and practitioners who work with students from upper KS2/Grade 4 to Year 13/Grade 12.

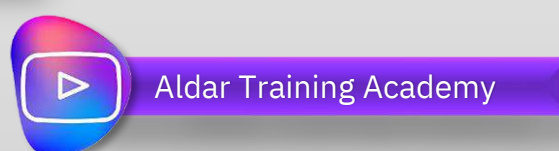
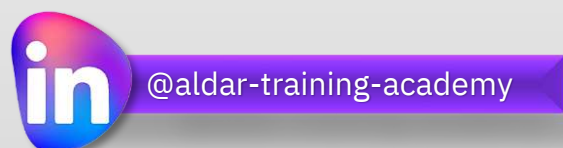
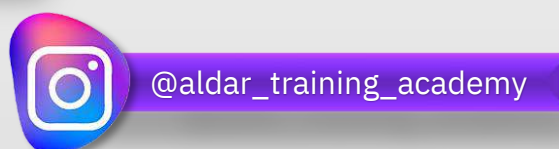
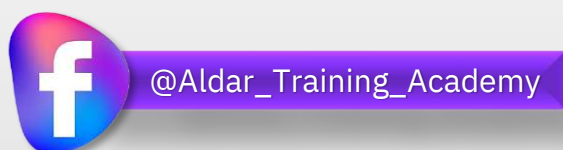


PART 1	<b>Introduction to Oracy</b> Making sense of the oracy benchmarks
PART 2	<b>Pedagogy to Practice</b> Exploring dialogic pedagogy and practical strategies to support oracy in the classroom. Design your own oracy impact project
PART 3	<b>Oracy curriculum and whole school culture</b> Gain the resources and skills to support staff in your school with developing oracy across the curriculum and building an oracy culture at a whole school level.

*Please speak to your CPD lead if you are interested in this course.*

## ATA SOCIAL MEDIA

To keep up with what is going on at ATA, follow and support us through our social media channels mentioned below



## ATA CPD Calendar

### JANUARY 2022 WORKSHOPS

The following image is representative of the courses delivered by ATA across the Aldar Education network for the month of January.

The below listed courses for February will be available for registration through the [www.ata.ae](http://www.ata.ae) website.



### COMING SOON

- Writing Workshop - Parts 1 and 2 - For HODs
- Critical Thinking
- Introduction to Teaching Arabic to Non-Native Speakers
- Strategies for teaching speaking and listening skills
- Phonological awareness
- Depth of Rigor
- Guided Reading
- Reading strategies to achieve comprehension





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AL AIN	Ian Pugh
AL YASMINA	Claire Crew Sarah Lane

AL FORSAN	Suzanne Sumner
THE PEARL	Jennifer Gilchrist
AL BATEEN	Penny Adriannou
WEST YAS	Tonya Mjelde Melissa Patrick

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AL RAYANA	Alicia Campbell
MBM	Siobhon Murphy
ABO	Adam Keaveney
AL BUDOOR	Kallie Crowell
AL GHAD	Cathy Hayes Louise Brashier
AL DANAH	Jodie Drew & Gaylene Burrough

### ADNOC SCHOOLS

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RUWAIS	Ashwill Peters
	Mathew Nicholls
MZ	Rebecca Gough
	Michel Hatoum
SAN	Racha Mustapha
	Antonio Cardenas Gail Aston

### CRANLEIGH SCHOOL

CRANLEIGH	Lara Dale
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