



Closing the Vocabulary Gap | with Alex Quigley

Friday 24 September 2021 | 0830 – 1245
St James School, Exeter

Alex explores the challenges our pupils face in accessing an academic curriculum. He characterises the 'vocabulary' gap at every key stage, before then offering practical strategies to undertake in the classroom, alongside leading on language across the whole school.

Agenda

- 0830 - 0900 Coffee and arrival
- 0900 - 0920 Lindsay Skinner, Headteacher of St James, to introduce
- 0920 - 1045 Alex explores the challenges of accessing the academic curriculum & the issues which are caused by the 'vocabulary gap'
- 1045 - 1115 Coffee break and networking opportunities
- 1115 - 1245 Alex shares a range of practical strategies and ideas to tackle the 'vocabulary gap'

Important information

- Please see the [Directions & Parking instructions](#) (page 2).
- On arrival at Exeter Arena, please follow the signs to St James School and make your way to the front of school for event registration.
- Due to the popularity of the event, seating will be theatre style in the School Hall.
- In the interest of sustainability, please bring your own mug if you would like a drink during the event.
- **Please note** - refreshments will be served during the event, but lunch will not be provided.

Alex Quigley

Alex is the National Content Manager at the Educational Endowment Foundation (EEF), an independent charity dedicated to breaking the link between family income and educational achievement.

Previously, Alex was a Teacher of English, and latterly a school leader, for 15 years.



Alex writes the <http://www.theconfidentteacher.com> blog and also writes columns for the TES and Teach Secondary magazines.

A published author about teaching English, Alex's books include:

“Closing the Reading Gap”

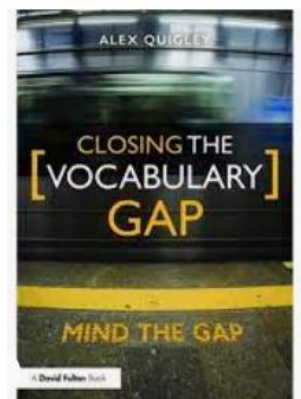
“Closing the Vocabulary Gap”

“The Confident Teacher: Developing successful habits of mind, body and pedagogy”

“Teach Now! English: Becoming a Great English Teacher”

Cost:

FREE



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PLEASE BOOK BY Friday 17 September 2021

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Directions & Parking

- Please be aware that roads surrounding St James School will be busy on the day as the school is open as normal to students. We therefore recommend that delegates allow plenty of time for their journey.
- Delegates should park opposite St James School in the FREE Exeter Arena Car Park | Exeter Arena, Summer Lane, Exeter, EX4 8NT (see the red-lined area).



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