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Cross-Cultural Educational Material Development: Collaboration between VietTESOL K12 & Nottingham Trent University in PRELIM 3

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This presentation illustrates the lifespan of the British Council funded Prelim 3 collaboration between members of the VietTESOL K-12SiG and academic staff from Nottingham Trent University (NTU) in the United Kingdom. In this third, much longer phase of the Partnered Remote Language Improvement Project, the focus shifted away from classroom language and teaching techniques to the production of context specific teaching materials. Uniquely among the 25 partnerships, the decision was taken to maximize the opportunities for cross-cultural learning and facilitate contributions from the eventual end-users by creating a flat hierarchy of autonomous teams each responsible for part of the final materials pack.

By looking at the actions taken at different stages of the project we will show how communication channels were established and maintained, how the overarching theme was decided upon, the piloting and production of the materials themselves. In addition, we will consider the emergent learning for both partners with regard to expectations before and during the project, exchange of information and work patterns (both day to day and across the year).

The concluding sections will suggest ways that motivation and momentum can be maintained on projects running for longer periods of time and showcase some of the materials produced.

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