

Language tastes like the sea project

Good practice, CFR Vigo

What is it?

“Language tastes like the sea” was an integrated Project which involved the whole staff of a Primary school during the academic year 2013/2014. The school CEIP Frián Teis is in the surroundings of Vigo (Pontevedra/Spain).

The coordinator of the project was Mónica Muñoz Sobrino, as the school librarian. This is not their first project but the last of a long term work which was recognized with a National Education Award in 2013 ([see the school blog](#)).



The team of teachers have developed a teacher training process focused on key competences for some years. All those studies led them to change old teaching methodologies and adapt them to XXI century pupils and their ways of learning.

It is obvious that nowadays, pupils are more visual and intuitive when managing digital resources. Nevertheless, they have to be trained for some modern life skills such as collaboration or critical thinking when searching for information on the Internet, choosing the relevant one and presenting it in final products.

Which skills are addressed?

This project summarizes all these needs and competences, developing tasks in all school subjects and grades and addressing the whole community at any school corner and time.

The central topic is “the Sea” as a means to improve skills such as searching for relevant information and transforming it into knowledge in order to be shared with the community in real or virtual ways. Teachers also promoted the use of language at school, especially in oral productions.

Why is it a good practice?

This practice is a good example of key competences acquisition which links the improvement of digital skills with the discovering of the rich Galician cultural



heritage. And, overall, pupils become leaders of their own learning process.

<https://sites.google.com/site/alinguasabeam/ar/inicio/indice-de-actividades>

What is the outcome?

It is difficult to choose only one significant product of the project. The whole community was so engaged that they published lots of products during the school year in their blog: [o lar de frianciño](#).

As a mere example here we share one creation by two 12 –year-old siblings. They searched back into their family history and found a story told by one of their grandparents. He was a sailor in Asturias. We can see the whole story-telling [O Cristo de Candás](#).in YouTube.

<http://olardefriancinho.blogspot.com.es/2014/04/o-cristo-de-candas.html>