

# Professional development as easy as ABC

## Webinar handout

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### Task 1: YES or NO Quiz

Read the sentences below and decide which is 😊 and which is 😞

1. The need for ongoing PD is a reflection of inadequacy in previous training.
2. Teachers can play an important role in their own professional development.
3. When teachers examine their own teaching context, it is not their responsibility to take action in their PD plan.
4. Your PD stops once you have fulfilled your professional qualifications.
5. Training and development are defined the same.
6. It is important teachers understand who they are and where they stand from PD.
7. All PD plans are effective and lead to productive results.

Watch the recording of my webinar to find out what I think about the sentences above.

### Task 2: AGREE or DISAGREE and HOW

Fill in the table below by putting a (✓) if the question applies to you and a (X) if it does not apply. In case of a (✓), mention HOW

	AGREE	DISAGREE	HOW
I can easily identify my biggest flaws.			
My professional development affects my students' learning.			

I am taking full advantage of my networking.			
As a coordinator or principle, I can benefit from ongoing professional development.			
I can benefit from being part of a teaching community.			
Teachers can grow if they continue being learners.			

## Suggested further reading

Okaz, A. (2022). Professional Development is as easy as ABC. *EL Gazette*, Issue 481  
<https://www.elgazette.com/professional-development/>

Mercer, S (2023). 7 Steps for Effective Professional Development. Retrieved from:  
<https://teachingenglishwithoxford.oup.com/2023/02/06/7-steps-for-effective-professional-development/>

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A recording of Abeer's webinar for World Teachers' Day 2023 can be watched here:  
<https://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/news-events/world-teachers-day-2023/world-teachers-day-2023-friday-6-october>