

# Thinkers Keys

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East Asia Regional Council of Schools—Weekend Workshop  
Hosted by International Christian School, Hong Kong



## Workshop Description

### **Practical strategies for promoting higher order thinking in classroom and technological environments**

Students in a Knowledge Society must engage in the richest possible intellectual rigour with their daily lessons. To explicitly involve them in high order thinking experiences is the single most effective way to advance their learning in all fields.

Based on the Thinkers Keys program, this entertaining and practical workshop will provide you with a series of lessons and handouts for enhancing the intellectual quality of your everyday lessons.

Amongst many other things, you will be offered strategies for:

- The creation of classroom climates that inspire students to consistently engage in high order thinking and deep understanding
- The implementation of the Thinkers Keys within specific sequences of instruction
- A large range of effective thinking strategies that can enhance your daily instruction
- An indication of the directions being adopted by innovative educators around the world in 2011 and beyond
- A series of worthwhile ICT tools and frameworks for reinforcing the quality of learning instruction
- Consistent processes for enhancing your own intellectual capacity

## Workshop Presenter:



Tony Ryan is an educational consultant and writer, and offers professional support to school organisations throughout the world on issues such as change leadership, life-long learning and effective classroom practice. He has presented over 1500 keynotes and workshops at state, national and world conferences in the past 15 years.

He has been engaged as a teacher-in-residence in over 500 schools throughout 8 countries in his career. In this role, he teaches extensively, and offers guidance to teachers with their everyday practice.

Tony is a prolific author of books on effective thinking and learning. These books include Thinkers Keys for Kids, Mindlinks, Brainstorms and Thinkfest. Further free material is available at [www.tonyryan.com.au](http://www.tonyryan.com.au) and at twitter on aussietony.

He is the ambassador of School Aid ([www.schoolaid.org](http://www.schoolaid.org)), a non-profit organization that encourages 10000 schools around Australia to co-ordinate their fund-raising activities for major local and global disasters. School Aid also provides invaluable assistance to schools in the encouragement of active citizenship opportunities.

## Workshop Schedule:

Saturday		Sunday	
7:30-8:00	Workshop payment, Breakfast—cafeteria 2/F	7:30-8:00	Breakfast—cafeteria 2/F
8:00-9:40	<b>Session 1</b>	8:00-9:40	<b>Session 5</b>
9:40-10:00	Tea Break—5/F	9:40-10:00	Tea Break—5/F
10:00-11:40	<b>Session 2</b>	10:00-11:40	<b>Session 6</b>
11:40-12:40	Lunch—cafeteria	11:40-12:40	Lunch—cafeteria
12:40-2:10	<b>Session 3</b>	12:40-1:50	<b>Session 7</b>
2:10 – 2:30	Tea Break—5/F	1:50 – 2:00	Tea Break—5/F
2:30-4:00	<b>Session 4</b>	2:00-3:00	<b>Session 8</b>

**Fee:**

US\$ 50 or HK \$400—

Please make payments in **CASH** on the morning of Saturday, February 18, 2012.

**Registration:**

Complete the online registration form at: <http://goo.gl/Au5jv>

Registration deadline: **January 13, 2012**

If you teach in China and are having trouble with the link, please e-mail me at [pd@ics.edu.hk](mailto:pd@ics.edu.hk)

**Items you may want to bring:**

- Water bottle
- Laptop, plug adaptor if needed

**University Credit:**

Participants have the opportunity to obtain one semester graduate credit from Buffalo State, State University of New York (SUNY).

**Accommodation:**

Participants are responsible for booking his/her own accommodation. There are many hotels in Hong Kong that offer very good service. Take note that our school is located in the Sha Tin, New Territories area when making your booking.

**Royal Park Hotel** is attached to a large shopping mall and on the main public transport routes for trains and buses. Cost is ~US \$110 for a room. [www.royalpark.com.hk](http://www.royalpark.com.hk)

**Regal Riverside** is closer to the school but requires a taxi or bus ride to get to the school and most other locations. [www.regalriverside.com](http://www.regalriverside.com)

**Hyatt Regency Hong Kong, Sha Tin** is close to the University MTR station. It is approximately 10 minutes by taxi away from the school. [www.hongkong.shatin.hyatt.com](http://www.hongkong.shatin.hyatt.com)

Hotel reservation form for **Royal Park Hotel** is included with this information packet. Please note breakfast is provided at school before the workshop so you can choose just the room option if you prefer.

**School Address:**

1 On Muk Lane  
Shek Mun, Sha Tin, N.T.  
Hong Kong

Directions to ICS can be found at [www.ics.edu.hk](http://www.ics.edu.hk)

A taxi from Royal Park Hotel is approximately HK\$40 and around 10 minutes.

**Contact:**

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Professional Development Coordinator  
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Hotel Reservation Form (18 - 19 February 2012)

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Perched by New Town Plaza, one of Hong Kong's largest shopping and entertainment complexes with over 300 shops and a 10-screen cinema, Royal Park Hotel overlooks Shing Mun River by the lush greenery as a haven adjacent to the Shatin station at the MTR's East Rail Line which allows a swift passage to Tsimshatsui (15 minutes) and a direct rail link to HK-China border (30 minutes), boasting 443 luxuriously stylish guestrooms and suites with superb dining facilities that please discerning travelers.

Guest Name:		<input type="checkbox"/> Prof	<input type="checkbox"/> Dr	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms
Guest Name (Sharing Room):		<input type="checkbox"/> Prof	<input type="checkbox"/> Dr	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms
Arrival Date:			Departure Date:			
Flight:		ETA:		Flight:		ETD:
Standard Room	<input type="checkbox"/> HK\$850.00 per room per night (Room only)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> HK\$920.00 per room per night with one buffet breakfast daily					
<input type="checkbox"/> HK\$1,000.00 per room per night with two buffet breakfasts daily						
*The above rates are subject to 10% service charge and prevailing government tax (if applicable)						
Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Queen Size Bed		<input type="checkbox"/> Twin Bed		<input type="checkbox"/> Smoking Room	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Smoking Room

Privileges:

- \*Welcome fruit
- \*Daily newspaper
- \*Free use of in-room broadband/WiFi service daily
- \*50% discount for mini-bar consumption in guest room
- \*Free use of Health Club facilities including gymnasium, swimming pool and steam room
- \*Complimentary shuttle bus service to / from Hotel and Tsimshatsui (subject to hotel schedule and availability, reservation is required)

**Transportation Services:**

Limousine:  Arrival  Departure  
 \*HK\$480 per car per trip (maximum 3 persons) / HK\$650 per car (7 seats) per trip (maximum 5 persons)  
 \*HK\$150 supplement will be applied for pick-up time during 00:30hrs - 05:30hrs

Airport Shuttle:  Arrival  Departure  
 \*HK\$140 per person per trip (The Hotel Airport shuttle bus service is provided by a fleet of 7-seater deluxe limousines)  
 \*Please refer to the attached hotel airport shuttle bus schedule for reference

All expenses on guest's own account

Payment  3rd party credit card *\*(please provide authorization letter and both sides of credit card copies)*

Room only     Room and breakfast     All expenses     Others \_\_\_\_\_

Booking Guaranteed By:  Amex     Visa     Master Card     Diners

Print Name as it Appears on Card (Capital Letter):

Card No		Expiry Date	
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Reservation(s) requested by (Capital Letter):

Contact No		Fax No	
Email		Signature	

Terms and Conditions:

- \* All reservations must be guaranteed by credit card upon submitting this reservation form.
- \* Cancellation must be made prior to **15 February 2012** or a 1-night applicable room charge will be levied as cancellation charge.
- \* Daily rate may be subject to change if staying period is outside of the mentioned above (subject to hotel availability).
- \* Confirmation of reservation will be subject to hotel availability.

Please fill out the reservation form and send to Ms Kennis Kwong (Sales & Marketing Administrator) on or before **18 January 2012** by fax at (852) 2695 9291 or email: kenniskwong@royalpark.com.hk Official confirmation letter from the Hotel will be sent via fax or email accordingly.