My experience in Techno-CLIL

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<td>Country and city</td>
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<td>School level</td>
<td>Primary School</td>
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<td>Subject/s taught</td>
<td>I teach Italian and English in class 1</td>
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<td>CLIL previous experience (if any)</td>
<td>I had never attended a CLIL course before but I’ve been teaching English for years and I did some topics in English, especially in class 4 and 5, about healthy food, daily routine, animal… I helped the children to develop a project about their hometown with historical hints, pictures and explanations.</td>
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The best two webinars for you. Why?

20th Jan - Webinar with Kent Andersen
I liked it because it focused on CLIL resources you can find on the web and because I could experience how to share the tasks between teachers in a CLIL team.
26 Jan - Webinar with Donatella Nucci and Max D’Innocenzo
I liked it because it was about eTwinning.

The best learning material/s. Why?

All material suggested was really interesting but I liked Learning Designer very much because it allowed me to develop a few lessons in details focusing on the single steps and giving a visual scheme easy to read and understand.

Your best digital product/s within Techno-CLIL (brief description and link)

Lesson plan about road signs.
The children will learn how to behave along the road, to recognize the road signs, to become aware of the rules of the road and respect them to be safe when they walk to school or when they cycle alone.
http://v.gd/cpCSR1

The best two activities in the platform. Why?

I think the best activities were building a learning diary and using Learning Designer. Building a diary was a good experience because it allowed me to learn a new tool, which I found very nice, and to realize my progress during the course. Learning Designer was a useful tool to use to build lessons.
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<th>The forum/wiki post/s you will definitely remember</th>
<th>All the posts from my colleagues were useful and I will remember many of them.</th>
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| The tool/s or resource/s you will definitely use with your students | http://www.learningdesigner.org  
http://www.kidsworldfun.com/ebooks.php  
https://www.classdojo.com  
https://www.youtube.com/user/Cantaenglish  
http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/learning-english/  
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### Reflections and comments

1. **What have you learnt from this experience?**  
I have learnt a lot about CLIL and how to use technology to make a better and more involving lesson. I have learnt of many resources I didn’t even know they existed. I learnt how to wide my mind.

2. **How did it help you learn more about CLIL and ICT?**  
I had the chance to practice new web tools to plan my lessons, to search and use new software and resources and to share ideas and materials with other colleagues.

3. **What did you find most challenging during the TECHNO-CLIL course?**  
At the beginning, everything seemed to me challenging, especially using new technology, because I had no idea how it worked. I wasn’t even able to share links.

4. **What was the biggest benefit of participating in the TECHNO-CLIL course?**  
Sharing materials and ideas with other colleagues.

5. **What have you been able to achieve? What are you most proud of?**  
I am now able to use some tools which will help me planning my lessons in a more effective way. I am proud I can create nice presentations with the programmes the course suggested and I can plan lessons in a better way.

6. **How will you take the work forward? How will you disseminate your work to others?**  
I think I still have to learn a lot about CLIL and more about technology in CLIL and Flipped Learning. I will try to improve my knowledge so that I can integrate technology in CLIL more and more. I think cooperation with colleagues is essential and I’ll try to involve them in some projects.

7. **Would you suggest Techno-CLIL to your colleagues? Why?**  
This course has been really demanding for me because I didn’t have a particular preparation in ICT. So, though I think it’s been absolutely useful to improve my knowledge both in methodology and technology, and I liked it very much, I will suggest Techno-CLIL only to the colleagues I know have the desire to improve their way of teaching. I’ll tell them that it is a great course but they must be ready to spend a lot of time on it.

8. **Two Top Tips for other teachers**  
Don’t be afraid to open your mind to new experiences, though they seem too hard. Sharing ideas and resources will help you to appreciate working in group and became a better teacher.