

An Nead Logbook

[Iomláine note: This participant had not fulfilled the starting requirements, having watched only 10 minutes of the video]

The course was excellent overall. The main strengths, in my opinion, were the use of contextual action learning scenarios and the high-grade support given at all times.

W/end 1 (3-5 August 2012)

Hours	Activity	Rating 1-10	Notes
Pre-weekend, 0.2 hrs	1 video	2	Little video impact
Day 1, 4 hrs	Aural exercise – J.MacD, T.ÓM, P, etc.	8	Good experience, required unbroken attention, good learning impact & initial intro to language rhymes etc.
Day 2, 7-10 hrs	1) Aural & interactive communication – P. S.Óg, F.NC, C. etc 2) Computer & editing lesson	7 9.5	Increased understanding of basic commands and sounds but far more sounds than comprehension. Computer lesson was excellent because the supporting context was very strong and accelerated learning. Also interesting to acquire technology-

	3) Evening out	7	based terminology – thought this would be very difficult but wasn't. Good social & cultural experience with language strong exposure
Day 3, 7 hrs	Breakfast conversation – P., F.NC, etc. Goats, Rhubarb Pancakes etc	7.5	Good context for command learning, good reinforcement process

W/end 2 (10-12 August 2012)

Hours	Activity	Rating 1-10	Notes
Pre-weekend, 4hrs	Videos	8	Much better connection to the material in the videos, clearer realisation of their purpose and value
Day 1, 4hrs	Turkey curry cookery	9.5	Strong context support and interesting subject matter , made learning fun and interesting
Day 2, 7-10 hrs	1) Drithleoga music, Breakfast and other conversation eg camping	7.5 9	Strong reinforcement for multiple sounds New context and

	2) Beach walk		interesting activity making use of local resources. This increased learning and made it enjoyable, stress-free etc
	3) Evening conversation,	7	Good practice and appropriate ie rest after day out in fresh air
Day 3, 7 hrs	1) Breakfast & other conversation 2) J.MacD.	7 8.5	Good reinforcement of sounds etc Good exposure to the rhymes of the language but more difficult to follow

W/end 3 (17-19 August)

Hours	Activity	Rating 1-10	Notes
Pre-weekend, 3 hrs	Videos	8	Strong support tool, good back-up and top-up preparation. Pause & playback functions are invaluable
Day 1, 4 hrs	Conversation re Lorient – A., P.	7.5	Good conversation, some context but based on something remote/abstract
Day 2, 7-10 hrs	1) Preparation for Tory	9.5	Strong contextual support enhanced learning. Also very

	2) Boat & striking camp & Social evening	9	interesting and practical in terms of the course and ordinary life Great context, new things to stimulate more interest, good music etc
Day 3, 7 hrs	1) Breakfast, boat trip	6	Some learning but inhibited by lack of sleep from the late night early morning
	2) J.MacD. conversation	7	Too tired to make proper use of this session but it was still good to tune in to the language rhymes and patterns