

#### NATIONAL FOREIGN LANGUAGES 2020 PROJECT PRESENTATION at VIETNAM ENGINEERING EDUCATION CONFERENCE

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## **Demand for English**















# Presentation

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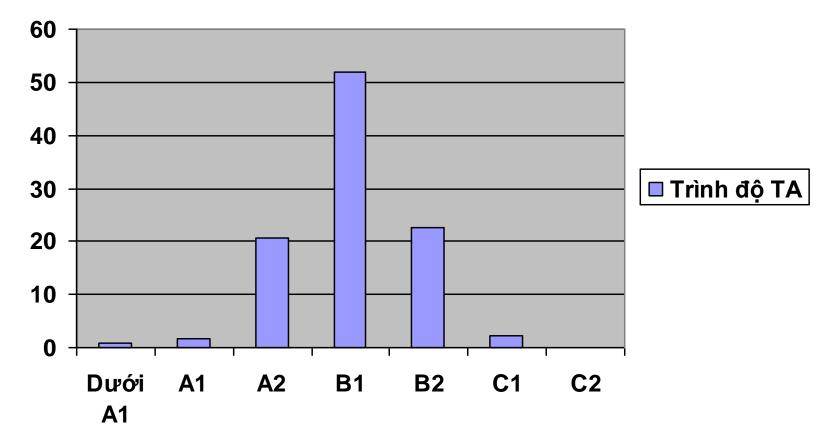
Major Solutions (teacher development, curriculum changes, ICT application, new testing system)
 D. The NFL 2020 Project

# A. Challenges

- Students can not communicate or use English in their study after 7 years at school and 2 more years at college (900 hours)
- 2. Self study and LLL need cultivation
- 3. Classrooms are over crowded (45 or 50 sts/class)
- 4. Teaching & learning are geared toward exams with main focus on vocabulary, grammar and translation
- 5. Teachers need further training in language proficiency and methodologies
- 6. Teachers' salary is low, especially for English teachers
- 7. Digital gap exist between rural and urban areas

#### **High School English Teachers' proficiency Levels**

#### 98 % under qualified



# **B.** Opportunities





# 1. Strong commitment from Government

- 2. 3. Demand from parents & society
- 3. Speedy development of ICT technology
- 4. Robust international cooperation

# C. The NFL 2020 Project

Decision **1400**/QĐ-TTg dated 30 September, 2008 of the Prime Minister on the Approval of the Project entitled "Teaching and Learning Foreign Languages in the National Education System, Period 2008-2020"

### Goal:

"... by 2020 most Vietnamese students graduating from secondary, vocational schools, colleges and universities will be able to use a foreign language confidently in their daily communication, their study and work in an integrated, multi-cultural and multi-lingual environment, making foreign languages a comparative advantage of development for Vietnamese people in the cause of industrialization and modernization for the country".

# Tasks

- 1. Establish language proficiency framework compatible with CEFR (6 levels)
- 2. Begin English at Grade 3
- 3. Students at Primary: A1, lower secondary: A2, and high school, college, university: C1
- 4. Teachers at primary & lower secondary schools: B2, at high school & college: C1
- 5. Develop language teacher qualifications framework
- 6. Renovate pre-service teacher training curricula at all teacher training colleges



## 7. Establish National Language Testing Centre

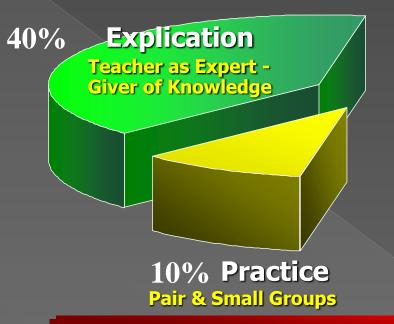
 8. Create new intensive Emglish programs for students at colleges & universities
 9. Teach university courses in English: ICT, Engineering, Tourism, Business etc.
 10. Harness ICT for better and more efficient English language programs

# Where to begin?



# I f you have tried 5 times and it didn't work, try to do it in different ways

# Traditional Language Learning



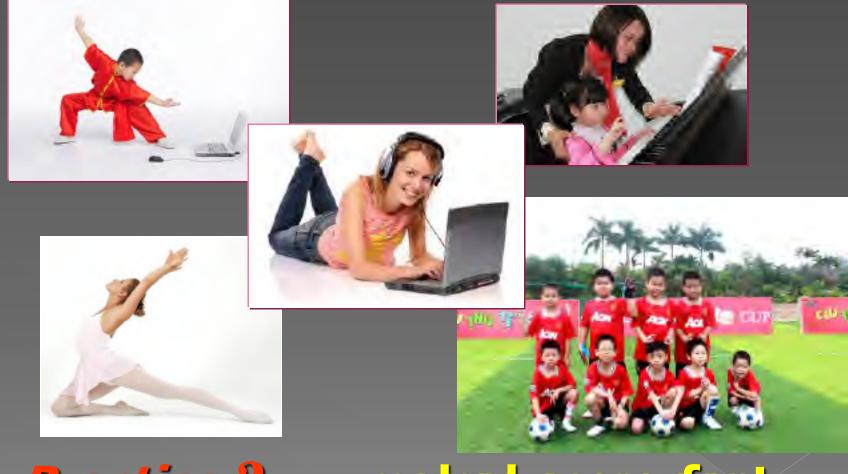
Study & Memorization Text Focus - Reading, Vocabulary, (Translation)

50%

## **Results?** Deaf & Mute English

So, what's wrong? Teachers? Textbooks? Underlying language learning theory?

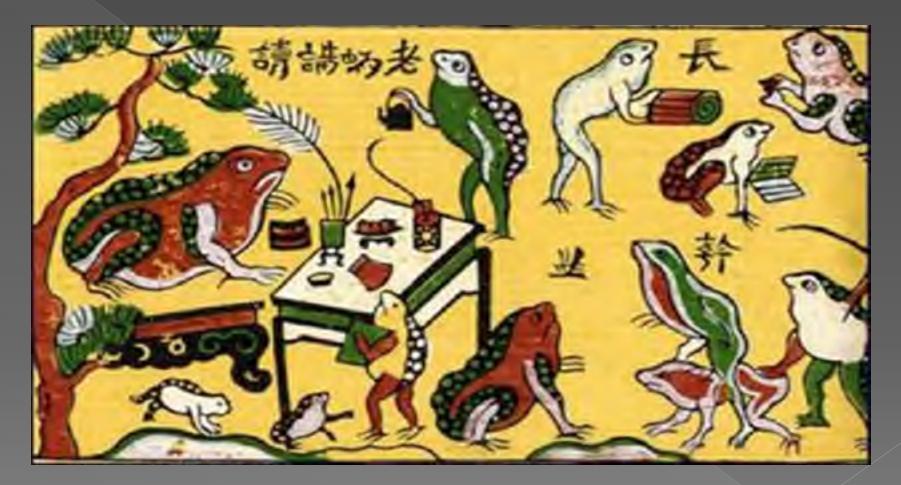
# Language is a *skill*



Practice ?

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## **Traditional classroom**



Teaching disciplines and passing on knowledge was important

# **Major Solutions**

- 1. Teachers development is the key to the success of the Project:
- a. Train and develop English teachers for both proficiency and methodology
- b. Send teachers overseas for further training and practices
- c. Send univercity faculties overseas for further English training so that they can deliver their courses in English
- d. Harnessing ICT for better teaching and learning for 80,000 teachers

### **BLENDED SOLUTION FOR ELT**



Interactive and Individualized learning

**E-Learning** 





**E-Teaching** 

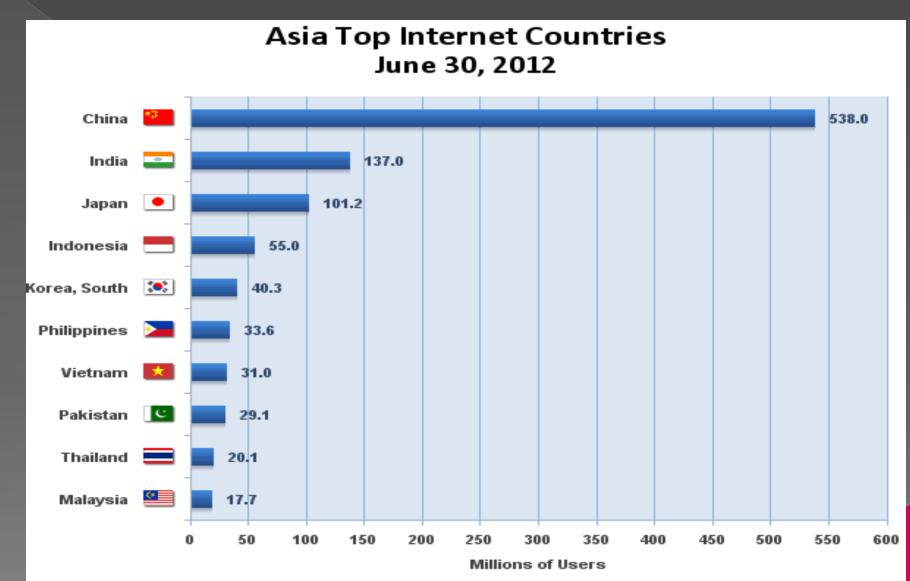
**Digital textbooks** 





Monitor, coach, create communication settings and activities

**Theo Live ABC** 



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# Penetration (% Population)

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# Speed for Internet (374KBps) in Vietnam ranked third in Asia after South Korea and Japan



#### Source: Pando Networks

### Why wait then? Major Concerns: Teacher Training





Without training, teacher can be a barrier between the digital world and the digital locals

# Effective Language Learning

Multimedia-Based Self-Study: Focused, Frequent, Extensive *Practice* 

60%

# Develops Oral Fluency Cuts Learning Time

25%

**Classroom Follow-up:** 

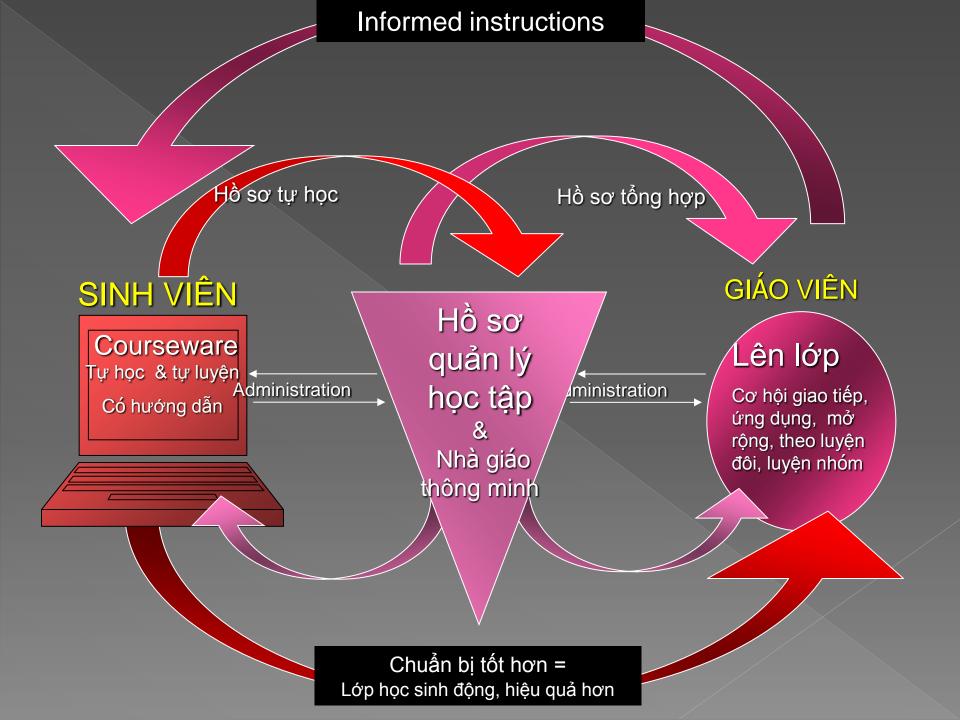
**Explication, Personalization, Extension, & Group Activities** 

Other Self-Study:

Class Preparation, Reading, Exercises & Writing Assignments

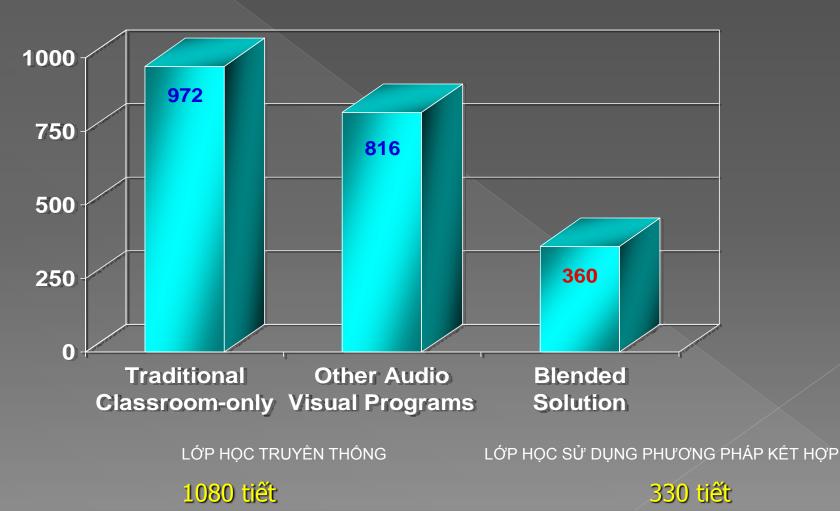
15%

More *practice*. Skill-based approach.
More effective use of Teacher.

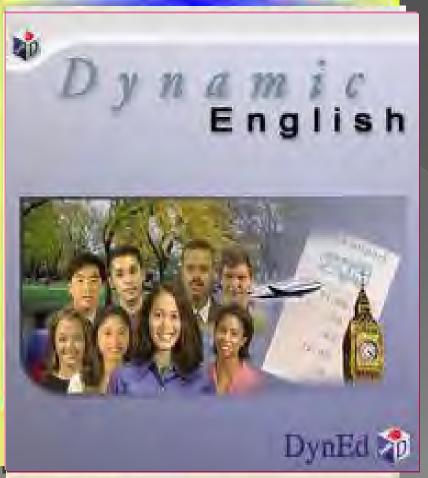


## Blended Solution What if you have only 360 hrs for English

## Hours to Pass the FCE



# More choices



1. Commercial and open course ware 2. MOOCs and Coursera 3. Free websites: British Council, BBC, VOA, **English Central** 

# www.teachingenglish.edu.vn





#### TeachingEnglishinVietnam

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#### Welcome to Teaching English in Vietnam

The web site for English Language Teaching that brings you everything you need, from classroom materials for your English coursebooks (Tieng Anh 10, L1 and 12), to methodology articles and teaching tips. Teachers also have opportunities to contribute their own creative ideas and lesson plans. Finally, there are chances for English teachers to join an online global community to share experiences with colleagues and English Language Teaching experts from all over the world.





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#### Lesson Meas

Grade 12 - Unit 6 Marathon Man: Students are asked to discuss what qualities make a good goal keeper and they...

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REMIER SKILLS





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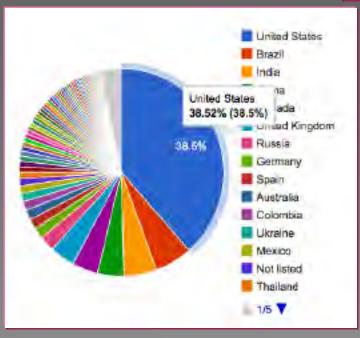
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# **Open Educational Course Ware**

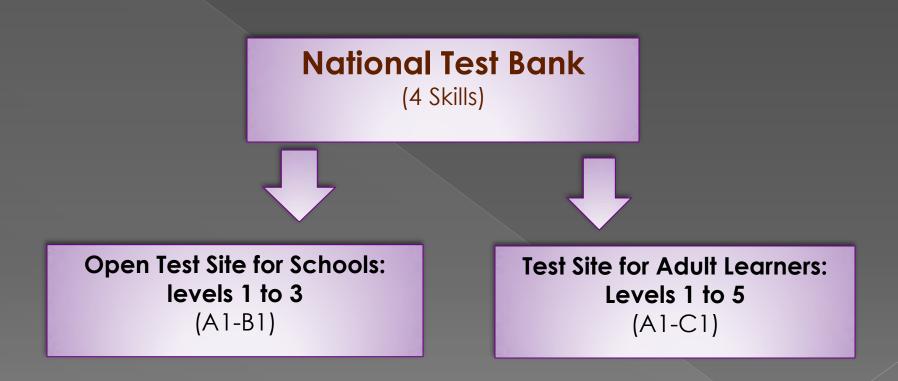








### Major Solutions 2. Renovate Testing systems



# Test Score Conversion Table

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	397 - 433	93 - 120	30 - 40	3.0 - 3.5	KET (TELTS 3.0)	A2	180- 200
					PET (IEL TS 3.5)	B1 (IELTS 3.5)	350 -
405 - 600	437 - 473	123 - 150	41 - 52	4.0	PE T	B1	400
	477 - 510	153 - 180	53 - 64	4.5 - 5.0	PET (IELTS 4.5)	B1 (IELTS 4.5)	
					FCE (ELTS 5.0)	B2 (IELTS 5.0)	500 -
	513 - 547	183 - 210	65 - 78	5.5 - 6.0	FCE	B2	600
605 - 780	550 - 587	213 - 240	79 - 95	6.5 - 7.0	CAE	C1	700 – 800
785 - 990	590 - 677	243 - 300	96 - 120	7.5 - 9.0	CPE	C2	1000 - 1200
Top Score	Top Score	Top Score	Top Score	Top Score	Top Score	T op L ev el	
990	677	300	120	9	100	C2	

# Action Time

 With rising costs, limitted resources, massive education development, schools should improve productivities of the teachers

 Cooperation between the English and the Enginnering Departments are issential for the success

Harness ICT to work for you and your students

# Action Plan for your institution

- 1. Situation analysis: identify the proficiency levels of your teachers
- 2. Develop plan to implement Decision 1400 (NFL 2020 Project)
- 3. Set the goals and the road maps
- 4. Make the plan a priority and known to all
- 5. Assign capable staff to implement the project and set up tools to measure the success
- 6. Tap resources from MOET & others



# THANK YOU