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Education & Learning Committee



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Learning at Work Week 2015

The **2015 Learning at Work** will be held from **18th—24th May**. This year the theme is **'Shaping our Future'**. The theme aims to focus on the vital role of learning and development in the workplace. Ideas for events can include; Dealing with change and building resilience; Developing the future workforce; Building creative environments. Further information on how to plan for and run an event during 'Learning at Work' week can be found on the **Campaign for Learning** website via the following link: <http://www.campaign-for-learning.org.uk/cfl/learningatworkweek/>

The Campaign for Learning website also has promotional packs that can be ordered and some free resources.

A 'Learning at Work' week event can be held on any day during the week of 18th—24th May and in any building or office, you don't need to have a Workplace Learning Centre to run an activity in your workplace.

The London Region Learning Committee can help to fund any costs of events that branches hold from the Regional Learning Fund. The Learning Fund is available to support any activity that 'promotes learning'. Up to £250 per event can be applied for, please contact Nick Bury (contact details can be found on this newsletter) for an application form.

The CWU Education and Training Department has recently developed new **free 'e-learning' resources** on **'CWU Left Click'**. This is open to all CWU Members. Branches could use the Learning at Work week to promote 'CWU Left Click' in the workplace and sign members on to 'Left

Click' via the webpage through a short registration process.

'CWU Left Click' can be accessed via the following link: <http://leftclick.cwu.org/>

NIACE are also involved in activities for adult learners which include **'Adult Learners Week'** in June. They also have details for **'Quick Reads'**. These are short story books written by best selling authors geared to help adults to read more. 'Quick Reads' can be ordered from the NIACE website at a cost of £1 each. A new set of books are due for release on February 5th but more are also available to buy.

Use the following link to the NIACE website for more details: <http://www.niace.org.uk/news/new-2015-quick-reads-available-for-pre-order>

Six Book Challenge

'If you're thinking about improving your reading or would like to read more, then the Six Book Challenge is for you.'

The Reading Agency promote an annual **'Six Book Challenge'** to encourage adults to read with more confidence. The challenge can be run in any workplace or in conjunction with other organisations such as local libraries in your area.

Anyone who completes the Six Book Challenge can be entered into a prize draw to win a number of prizes including 'e-readers'.

You can choose the reading that you do, which can be books, magazines or online articles. You could use the 'Quick Reads' titles (see above) to start with.

More information is available from the Reading Agency website via the following link: <http://readingagency.org.uk/adults/quick-guides/six-book-challenge/>

LEARNING SERVICES FOR LONDON BRANCH MEMBERS

The following services are available to all London Branches.

The licence for the Dyslexia Screening software has now expired so the LADS Assessment is no longer available. The Education and Training Department will be working on alternative dyslexia resources and these will be distributed when available.

- 1) CWU Education & Training website– Lifelong Learning for CWU members
- 2) 'CWU Learning for All' website for London Region Learning Centres
- 3) Regional Learning Resources
- 4) UK Online
- 5) IAG Services
- 6) CWU 'Left Click'

ULR Courses

ULR training at **Alvescot Lodge** is available on the following dates:

Union Learning Reps Part 1 Course

Monday 16th—Friday 20th February 2015

Monday 6th—Friday 10th July 2015

Union Learning Reps Part 2 Course

Monday 9th - Friday 13th November 2015

Applications can be made at any time. Closing dates TBC.

ULR training at LRC Office Sycamore Street

There is also a Regional ULR Part 1 course on the programme in London;

Monday 14th—Friday 18th September

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Please contact any of the RLC Officers for further details.

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