

# English for Professional Development Open Day in Pretoria

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Expanding the accessibility of the English for Professional Development (EPD) courses, Wits Language School recently held the first ever English for Professional Development Open Day in Pretoria on 18 May 2013.



The EPD Open Day proved an entertaining event with past, present and future students joining together for a day of information and celebration. The EPD team provided a morning of short interactive lessons including English for Presentations, Grammar Questions and Answers, and English for Emails - just a small taste of the range of English skills offered by the EPD unit.

A highlight of the day was the previous EPD students, who shared their EPD learning experiences and impressed all present with their English proficiency. One of the students, a man of incredible dedication, shared his previous education experiences from early in his life when he battled his way through a degree at the University of Cape Town until today, where he is an accomplished architect running his own company. His belief in his own capacity to achieve and his willingness to invest hard work and effort in reaching his English goals inspired many of the Open Day guests. He is currently hoping to share his English skills and promote English training in his home city.

Beyond the morning's interaction, guests at the Open Day had the opportunity to win a free EPD course (valued at R3 900.00) and free pre-assessments (valued at R550.00 each). Thanks to our generous sponsors, Pearson Longman and Oxford University Press, several lucky guests won copies of the Longman Dictionary for Contemporary English and hampers of Oxford dictionaries, grammar books and novels.

The EPD Open Day enabled guests to engage with the EPD course content, meet the team and discover their own potential to become professionally empowered in English and thus proved to be a huge success.

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