

## Make it count with Indigenous Learners Community Two-way Teaching Approach Kriol and Standard Australian English Video Transcript



*Elizabeth Gilligan (AEW) teaching mathematical thinking in English, Kriol and Gooniyandi*

*Connect with Maths* Make it count with Indigenous learners community presents Teacher Showcase: “Two-way Teaching Approach Kriol and Standard Australian English (SAE)”.

Yiyili Aboriginal Community School is in remote northern Western Australia. Students at Yiyili School also learn their tradition language: Gooniyandi.

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Students are encouraged to explore maths concepts in their ‘home language’ before grasping the maths language in SAE.

Corrie and Elizabeth explicitly introduce SAE maths language relevant to the lesson.

Discussing the context we would use the SAE and Kriol words that have been mentioned

Students often clarify and volunteer additional context-specific language.

Elizabeth clarifies the meaning of ‘same’ using a Kriol example.

Ngardga - Gooniyandi Language



*Corrie Baxter teaching mathematical thinking to children*

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This showcase is the work of Corrie Baxter, the Numeracy Curriculum Leader, and Elizabeth Gilligan, an Aboriginal Education Worker at Yiyili Aboriginal Community School in the Kimberley.

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