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Picture News is a weekly resource to help schools teach current affairs. Our aim is simple: to get all children talking about the news through clear images and a leading question.

Each resource pack includes a vibrant poster based on a news story that is unlikely to be covered in class or school, but poses a fresh opportunity for learning. The packs have an overall 'big' question and related discussion questions and activities. The resources build children's global awareness, and encourage them to debate, form opinions, and respect others' views about topical issues.

What the project entailed:

At Picture News, we are launching a new resource to help educators teach English as an additional language, called Picture News Talk. This new resource uses current affairs and topical issues as a focus for developing children's English language skills.

In light of this development, we recruited Nur as a Researcher and Content Writer for the project. The project helped us learn more about the needs of EAL teachers, as Nur completed a research report featuring a collection of insightful studies and surveys. Using her research and knowledge of teaching English as a second language in Malaysia, Nur also contributed to the creation of a brand-new mock resource for Picture News Talk.

Why you chose to recruit an intern for the project:

Given the nature of the project including research and content writing, we felt recruiting a student from the University of York would be suitable, to enable them to implement skills from their degree and experience the work environment. Nur's degree and teaching experience proved valuable for her internship.

How the intern contributed to the development and/or growth of your organisation/department?

Nur's knowledge and work were much appreciated by the team at Picture News! The work completed during the internship will contribute to the development of Picture News Talk. Her perspectives, experience and research project has helped us gain wider knowledge of EAL teachers' needs, which will ultimately support us in making resources that address these issues. Nur's work on the Picture News Talk resource, alongside our team, has showcased her skills and passion for education, and will help shape future resources for EAL teachers.

How did you find the process of recruiting an intern through York Internships?

The process of recruiting an intern through York Internships was successful. The application process was smooth, and the Placements team were helpful and accommodating. Such a high calibre of applicants applied for our internship, which we feel is a credit to the talent of students at the University of York. The internship was a huge success, so much so that Nur has since accepted a full-time role! Thank you, York Internships.