

**Al Ain Chapter Welcome Newsletter- September 2008**  
**Mokhtar Trabelsi**

Welcome to all TESOL Arabia members. Please talk to your new colleagues about the benefits of TESOL Arabia and invite them to join our organization. At the TESOL Arabia retreat, 28-30 August 2008, we had set the calendar for the 2008-2009 academic year. A lot of very interesting events throughout the seven chapters in the UAE are awaiting you. We would like you to participate not only by just attending, but also by sharing your ideas, experience and expertise with your colleagues. My request, then, is that you consider sending a proposal, an idea, a tip, or an activity that has worked in your classroom for the forthcoming meetings. And as you can see in the schedule below, all our events in Al Ain are mornings of workshops, Whether it is a SIG event or a Chapter event, It is open to everybody to give a presentation or a workshop. I will send a call for paper to all our members and I am looking forward to hearing from you. Here, I would like to encourage first-time presenters from all levels of education. You can also give a co-presentation with a colleague of yours. I would also like to refer you to TESOL Arabia website to keep updated with everything that is going on in the organization : [www.tesolarabia.org](http://www.tesolarabia.org)

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**Al Ain Chapter Scheduled Meetings 2008-2009**

Date	event - title	presenter	venue
18-10-2008	IL Sig Morning of Workshops	Various	TBA
08-11-2008	AA Chapter Morning of Workshops	Various	TBA
20-12-2008	AA Chapter Morning of Workshops	Various	TBA
07-02-2009	YL & IT Sigs Morning of Workshops	Various	TBA
04-04-2009	AA Chapter Morning of Workshops	Various	TBA
09-05-2009	FLA Al Ain	Various	TBA