

More Cuisenaire Resources

Related sites on the web:

<http://www.cuisenaire.co.uk>
<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/articles/cuisenaire-rods-language-classroom>
<http://donaldcherry.com/silentway/>
<http://busyteacher.org/2471-how-to-teach-english-using-cuisenaire-rods-15.html>
<http://john.mullen.pagesperso-orange.fr/cuisenaire.htm>
<http://marcialmiller.com/wordpress/2011/01/playing-with-cuisenaire-rods/>
<http://sandymillin.wordpress.com/2011/03/22/cuisenaire-rods/>

To buy Cuisenaire rods:

The Cuisenaire Company
11 Crown Street
Reading
RG1 2TG
Tel: 0118 987 3101
Fax: 0118 987 3103
Email: office@cuisenaire.co.uk

Amazon sell rods quite cheaply; you can also find them at Learning Resources [HYPERLINK "http://www.learningresources.co.uk/"](http://www.learningresources.co.uk/)
<http://www.learningresources.co.uk>

To read more about their use in ELT:

Sound Foundations by Adrian Underhill. Heinemann 1994. p.154-159
The Pronunciation Book by Tim Bowen and Jonathan Marks. Longman 1992. p.25,26
One to One by Peter Wilberg. LTP, 1987. p.120-124.
Memory, Meaning and Method by EW Stevick
Teaching Listening Comprehension by Penny Ur. CUP, 1984. P.70,71.

Video Resources:

There are quite a few clips on YouTube about rods and the Silent Way. E.g.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=50aRITGCAtk>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VAXKZY2UJvI>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UTk3WXB9-8>
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1RUQbKU_FhY – Cuisenaire for maths
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qBloNkbJjGI> – rods for grammar
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nTBec9Mgc1M> – Tim Keely on syntax, pronunciation etc.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F3Pmwx0jeU> – part 2 of the above video.



English Teaching Professional Articles/ Editorials

1. [IT WORKS IN PRACTICE](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 23)

... idea about how well they can cope with discussing the past and may stimulate a good variety of new vocabulary. Emna Diamant Cuisenaire rods can be used as a quick and effective ...

2. [Active listening](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 22)

... were connected in some way with his present situation. I was also armed with crayons, drawing paper, index cards and Cuisenaire rods to visualise and simplify what he was trying to tell me and so help ...

3. [IT WORKS IN PRACTICE](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 57)

Compelling Cuisenaire I often use Cuisenaire rods in my high school lessons to teach a variety of language points, such as prepositions, colours, numbers and comparatives, but I primarily use them for retelling ...

4. [Nice and natural](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 51)

... Have the students make small representations of pubs, three or four in total. Cuisenaire rods are great for this, and you might like to give the students some typical English pub name formats such as 'The ...

5. [Word stress](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 32)

... Use Cuisenaire rods. Take a short rod to represent each syllable, so with the word manager, you would lay out three rods. Then replace one rod with a longer rod to illustrate which is the stressed syllable. ...

6. [Chameleons of the classroom](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 45)

Jane Neill admires the adaptability of Cuisenaire rods. Have you ever heard your parents or grandparents talking about presents for children? They tend to drone on about the overwhelming quantity of gifts ...

7. [Editorial](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 45)

... thinking to a box of Cuisenaire rods – in her (and their) hands, the coloured rods become anything from shops in a town centre to cars and bicycles approaching tricky road junctions. For ...

8. [Business English rods](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 12)

John Hughes focuses on the use of Cuisenaire rods for teaching business English. When it comes to Cuisenaire rods, teachers tend to fall into three camps: the converts, the sceptics and the pragmatists. ...

9. [Don't spare the rods!](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 11)

Russell Hall suggests further ways of exploiting Cuisenaire rods. In his article in ETp, Issue Ten, Tim Hahn talked about the fun you can have introducing Cuisenaire rods to language learners (students ...

10. [Cuisenaire rods](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 10)

Tim Hahn learns to keep silent while the rods do the work. Cuisenaire rods were originally developed about 1950 as a mathematics teaching aid by Georges Cuisenaire and have been used as such throughout ...

11. [Readers' QUESTIONS Readers' ANSWERS](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 10)

... Cuisenaire rods in my teaching for a few years now. I wonder where they came from. Who was Cuisenaire? Just after I had sent you an answer to the question about Cuisenaire, a signed document, dated 1961, ...

12. [10 WAYS TO..... teach grammar](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 10)

... Cuisenaire rods, which Tim Hahn writes about on page 29. I thank Steven Hope for making me aware of negative messages (Two). John Whitworth showed me Three. David Vale inspired Five. Eva Jonai helped ...

13. [Readers' QUESTIONS Readers' ANSWERS](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 09)

... I said, but the coursebook wanted the negative answer to practise the reflexive pronoun: No, I did it myself. Help! • I have been using Cuisenaire rods in my teaching for a few years now. I wonder ...

14. [Brain-friendly learning and teaching - holistic approaches](#)

(Past Issue Archives/Issue 02)

... method uses Cuisenaire rods (coloured wooden sticks) and colour charts to represent sounds and help pronunciation. It is in the tradition of learning by discovering. Community Language Learning This ...

15. [Cuisenaire rod tended](#)

(Practical Tips/Practical Tips)

Cuisenaire rods can be used as a quick and effective concept check when teaching tenses, particularly to demonstrate the difference between the present perfect and past simple. Students can be given ...