



Ten Podcasts for Teachers Worth a Listen

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Top Education Podcasts

The Podcast has been with us for some time now, but in these strange and stressful pandemic times with school routines being turned upside down and increased working from home often the norm this medium has experienced something of a resurgence. Here at [Education Slice](#) we try to listen to as many as we can and thought it may be useful to pass on to our readers some comments, observations and opinions.



(1) [Teachers in America](#)

In no particular order, we enjoyed Teachers in America where [Houghton Mifflin Harcourt's](#) Director of Content and Programming, Noelle Morris, hosts, ranging across a myriad of subjects and introducing many interesting guests and educators. The [broadcasts on Covid 19](#) were especially insightful and informative as the pandemic and its implications manifested itself.



(2) [The Teaching Space](#)

The Teaching Space is very popular. It is a fortnightly podcast for teachers and trainers who “want to love their jobs and be amazing teachers WITHOUT taking work home evenings and weekends”.

It tackles the issues of the moment and I have just finished a [useful episode](#) about mental health for teachers and trainers.



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[\(3\) Truth For Teachers Podcast](#)

Many of you may be familiar with [Angela Watson's](#) Truth For Teachers Podcast. This provides weekly encouragement for educators and consistently ranks in the top three K-12 podcasts in the world. Episode titles such as The Breaking Point That Led To My Sabbatical (and what's next) and How To Be Quietly Subversive And Make The Standards Meaningful give a flavor of what you may find within.

[\(4\) TES Podcast](#)

From across the pond is the TES Podcast. This is driven by the news agenda and provides a comprehensive insight into current issues, trends and developments in the U.K. A sub-podcast is their [My Best Teacher](#) where celebrities and recognised people are invited to nominate their best teacher from their childhoods and youth and reflect on the impact they had on them. Prepare to well up here and there.

[\(5\) Book Love Foundation Podcasts](#)

Book Love Foundation Podcasts loves books and fights their corner. As budgets have shrunk, books and libraries and school librarians have been cut in many schools. Books can have an incredible effect on children's lives, yet there's only one book for every 300 kids living in many under-served communities in the U.S. Students need books - the right books that they can connect with and this podcast aims to fill some of that gap.

[\(6\) The Cult of Pedagogy](#)

The Cult of Pedagogy is where Jennifer Gonzalez interviews educators, students, administrators, and parents about the psychological and social dynamics of school,

[\(7\) Teaching Keating](#)

For a lighter more timeless listen I enjoy listening to [Teaching Keating with Weston and Molly Kieschnick](#). The married couple who are both educators and have children of their own take iconic teaching moments from movies and television as a vehicle to reflect on instructional practice. They encourage us to laugh, agree or disagree, and work toward discovering exactly who we are and where we stand as educators. It's fun as well.

[\(8\) The Evidence Based Education Podcast](#)

The Evidence Based Education Podcast discusses some key issues in the field of evidence-based education, particularly focusing on how the gaps between policy, research and practice can be bridged, and how good practice in all three areas can ultimately have a positive impact on pupil outcomes.

[\(9\) The Ten-Minute Teacher Podcast](#)

You can become a more remarkable educator in just ten minutes a day, claims The Ten Minute Teacher Podcast. Whenever you listen, the best and brightest educators and idea creators from around the world will inspire you. That's their aim. See what you think.

[\(10\) The Creative Classroom](#)

John Spencer's The Creative Classroom is well regarded. John says: "I want to see teachers transform their classrooms into bastions of creativity and wonder. But I also know that this is tough when time is scarce, and we are feeling the pressure. That's why I created this podcast. Each week, I share tools, strategies, and stories to equip teachers to boost creativity and innovation in

trade secrets, and “other juicy things you’ll never learn in a textbook”. Other episodes feature Jennifer offering advice on ways to make your teaching more effective and more fun.

their classrooms. I also share the mistakes I made along the journey.”

So, there we are. Ten podcasts we felt provided value or entertainment. They are not necessarily our top ten. Have a shuffle, have a dive in. The great thing is there are plenty out there and there should be something for everyone. Perhaps you have a particular favorite – mentioned here or not – we would appreciate to hear about it. Drop our editor a line at richard.aston@educationslice.com

Final tip: My favourite time to listen to podcasts is at the end of my day after I have first retired to bed. My mind is less cluttered, and I find I absorb the content better. However, the downside is they often create such a state of relaxation that I fall off to sleep and the next day it has played out, but I do not know where I got up to.

Note to myself: Invent a device which switches off podcasts at the point your heart rate drops to sleep level and become a billionaire.

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