



Incredible Years 2.0 Basic Group Leader Training Workshop Evaluation Report

Dates: 18th 19th & 20th May 2026

Venue: MyPlace Youth & Community Centre, Harold Hill, Essex, UK.

Commissioning service: Starting Well, London Borough of Havering, Early Help Service

Trainer/Mentor: Jeannie Gordon

Number of Trainees: 13



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About the training.

This 3-day training prepares group leaders working with parents of children aged 2-8, to implement the Incredible Years® Toddler, Preschool, Attentive & School-Age (up to 8 yrs) Parenting Programs.

The Preschool Parenting Program 2.0 (Basic) is an updated version of Incredible Years' classic Preschool Parenting Program, designed for professionals leading parenting groups. This enhanced curriculum provides facilitators with structured sessions that help parents strengthen parent-child interactions, foster secure attachment, and reduce harsh discipline. The training teaches the following content: child-directed play, academic, persistence, social and emotional coaching, praise and encouragement, predictable routines, effective limit setting, nonphysical discipline alternatives, teaching children to problem solve, and supporting children's education.

The training mirrors the programme delivery via guided discussions and practice exercises. The training use real-life video vignettes to spark group discussions, encourage problem-solving, and reinforce key parenting strategies.

13 professionals started the training. One professional had to withdraw on day 2, due to a family bereavement.

Day 1

OVERALL WORKSHOP

Question: What part of the workshop was most helpful to you? Also, what did you like the best?

- *All of it was very beneficial*
- *Short clips*
- *Interactions with colleagues*
- *Seeing the new videos and ideas on how to use them*
- *The group work was good as it helped us understand the strategy.*
- *Small group work*
- *Recapping*
- *Videos group discussions*
- *The relatable small group work*
- *Being put into small groups and passing around information*
- *Really informative and easy to follow*
- *Group discussion*

Question: What did you like least about the workshop? What could be improved?

- *Nothing x 10*
- *Self-praise x 2*
- *Cold room*

TEACHING EVALUATION

THE IY LEADER'S TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP SKILL WAS:

VERY POOR	BELOW AVERAGE	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	EXCELLENT
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THE IY LEADER'S METHODS AND PROCESSES MODELLED AND DEMONSTRATED WERE:

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THE LEARNING DERIVED FROM THE IY VIDEO EXAMPLE VIGNETTES WERE:

NEUTRAL	SOMEWHAT	HELPFUL	VERY HELPFUL
		2	11

THE WORKSHOP PRACTICES/ROLE PLAYS/BUZZES/ BREAK OUT GROUPS WERE:

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THE GROUP DISCUSSION AND INVOLVMENT WAS:

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THE WRITTEN HANDOUTS AND READINGS WERE:

NEUTRAL	SOMEWHAT	HELPFUL	VERY HELPFUL
		4	9

Additional Comments:

- *Thank you*
- *Amazing facilitator*

- End of day 1 -

Day 2

OVERALL WORKSHOP

Question: What part of the workshop was most helpful to you? Also, what did you like the best?

- *The group work and interaction*
- *Group discussions*
- *Practice and feedback*
- *The practices and group practice with a leader and co leader*
- *New vignettes*
- *Practices and feedback*
- *Small groups with props*
- *Rewards system and incentives*
- *Praise and eating habits*
- *Role Play/Practices*

Question: What did you like least about the workshop? What could be improved?

- *Nothing X 9*
- *Accepting praise*
- *Being put on the spot to be leader*
- *I couldn't always see the screen*

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Additional Comments:

- *I enjoyed the training today.*
- *Really informative and fun session. Thank you*
- *Today was more interactive*

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- End of day 2 -

Day 3

OVERALL WORKSHOP

Question: What part of the workshop was most helpful to you? Also, what did you like the best?

- *Very helpful, Jeannie is amazing and very approachable*
- *Instructor very knowledgeable*
- *The videos and practise discussions*
- *Working together to discuss Ideas*
- *Interactions and practices were fun as well as helpful, Jeannie was great made the whole course fun and engaging*
- *Re direction and ignoring*
- *Time out as this is what our parents would like to learn.*
- *The website and the app, easy access to the videos*
- *All of it!*
- *Puppets and practice*
- *I really felt like the past three days have been so good both at engaging us as a team and really made us think about alternative strategies. The role plays are brilliant as it also allows us to think not like professionals as much but as down to earth parenting styles.*

Question: What did you like least about the workshop? What could be improved?

- *Nothing x 8*
- *Nothing all was good*
- *Hard chairs*
- *I enjoyed everything about today!*
- *Don't really think there was one.*

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Additional Comments:

- *Thank you so much for an enjoyable 3 days*
- *Really enjoyable training*
- *Amazing facilitator and I really enjoy the sessions*

- *Jeannie was an amazing facilitator. She was funny and made me want to learn more! Thank you Jeannie!*
- *A very structured and fun training course! Jeannie was not only very professional but very comical and kept us entertained alongside remaining engaged*
- *Jeanine superb training throughout. Very thoughtful and grounded person. Learnt a lot through your style of training.*

- End of day 3 -

Group Photo



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