

# Workshops for Working Parents

helping raise a generation of enterprising, *can-do* children



Our practical workshops are designed specifically for working parents, taking a child-centred approach to nurturing children's enterprising *can-do* potential, starting from a place of play. Prepare to be engaged, inspired, and leave with the tools to boost the quality and enjoyment of family life whilst raising your children to be creative, innovative, independent, resourceful, and resilient.

We understand how working parents face many pressures on their time, and are concerned to increase the quality of the time that they do spend with their children. The Enterprising *Can-Do* Child approach helps you make the most of this precious time, providing easy and practical ideas for everyday activities the whole family can enjoy, whilst nurturing crucial character traits and skills to help children be the best they can.

## How play can develop enterprising skills in young children

Nurturing enterprising skills and an enterprising mindset in children is relevant not just to the world of work and business in adult years, but also to the experience of childhood exploration and play, and to all forms of learning and life in general. Incorporating enterprise into children's play from the earliest of years helps develop characteristics which will enable them to fulfil their potential and open up opportunities as they grow and develop.

**The session:** We look at what is meant by enterprise, focusing on broader life skills such as problem solving, critical thinking, team working, and communication. We explore the role of parents as enterprising role models, and give them the tools to incorporate enterprise into their children's play in a fun, easy way through everyday situations families will be familiar with.

## Raising *Can-Do* Children: The Enterprising Child Approach

Backed by top parenting and child development experts, the Enterprising Child *Can-Do* play model provides a fun, inspirational and easily to implement way of nurturing children who are creative, innovative, independent, resourceful, and resilient. This is not about having more things to do, spending more money, or finding extra time – it's simply thinking differently about everyday moments, to help every child fulfil their *can-do* potential.

**The session:** We look at not just why this approach is so important, but crucially how it fits easily into everyday family life, focused on relaxed, positive, and engaging parenting, spending quality time with children and having fun. Parents leave with a clear understanding of the model, with practical tools and ideas they can put into practice straight away which not only nurtures these crucial characteristics but enhances their enjoyment of parenting, and the relationship with their child.

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## Director's Profile: Lorraine Allman

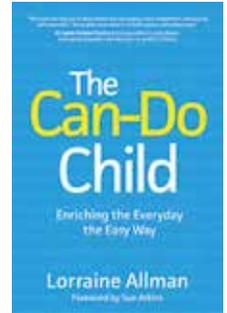
Author and educator Lorraine combines 18 years practical business experience with a passion for, and specialism in, nurturing can-do characteristics and skills in children. Her child-centred approach enables everyday situations to become a place for enjoyable discovery and play, nurturing children who are creative, innovative, independent, resourceful, and resilient.



She collaborates with leading experts in parenting, child development, and early years both in the UK and abroad, and is an honorary lifetime member of, and expert adviser to, the Board of the National Early Years Trainers and Consultants Organisation (NEyTCO). Lorraine also chairs the judging panel for the Young Enterprise *Fiver* competition for UK Primary Schools, and delivers inspirational workshop in schools and universities in support of the Wales Assembly Government's Youth Entrepreneurship Strategy.

Lorraine is author of *The Can-Do Child: Enriching the Everyday the Easy Way* (2017) published by ReThink Press. It is an inspiring and essential book for parents and anyone who cares for, or works with, children from early years upwards, helping discover simple and practical ways to turn everyday situations and occasional planned activities into enjoyable, creative opportunities for quality time. It has already made it into the Amazon Kindle Top 50 parenting books, and has 100% five star reviews. Her earlier book, *Enterprising Child* was published in 2012 to wide critical acclaim, with 95% five star reviews on amazon.co.uk and 100% 5 star reviews on amazon.com

Lorraine works with organisations both in the UK and abroad to develop toolkits and programmes for nurturing enterprising can-do skills and characteristics in children and young people. She has a long-term commitment with the Women at Work Foundation, developing and rolling out an Enterprising and Life Skills programme for young learners in Alexandra, South Africa.



“ We are delighted Lorraine has spoken at the Education Show for the past 2 years. Her sessions are always extremely engaging and interesting for the delegates and are met with enthusiasm through the copious amount of questions or the queue of people waiting to speak to her after. ”

i2i Events Group, Education Show Birmingham NEC

“ I love how Lorraine gives you great ideas that fit into our everyday busy lives, taking into account everyday situations and seeing an opportunity to apply the 'can do child' methods. One of my favourite parts is where Lorraine talks about a team and family. It is so true, family is the first team your children are part of and it is important that they feel like a valued member of the team. ”

Trusha, blogger and Mum of one

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