

## **Publishing Ethics Statement**

The publishing ethics of *Children's Literature in English Language Education* are based on the *Principles of Transparency and Best Practice in Scholarly Publishing* published by the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE, 2018).

### **Responsibilities of the Editorial Team**

The Editorial Team, with due regard for the recommendations of the members of the Editorial Review Board who have submitted a blind review, decides which of the articles submitted to the journal are to be published and in which issue. The Editorial Team evaluates all manuscripts regardless of the authors' race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ethnic origin, citizenship or political views. Final decisions are based on the contribution's relevance to the journal's scope, and the article's significance, originality and quality. Current legal requirements regarding plagiarism, copyright infringement and libel are also considered.

The Editorial Team does not disclose any information about submitted manuscripts to anyone except for the corresponding authors. All submitted manuscripts are carefully anonymized before being sent for blind review. Unpublished material in submitted papers is not made use of by the Editorial Team for the purposes of their own research (unless signed written consent has been received from the authors).

### **Responsibilities of the Editorial Review Board**

The peer-review process supports the Editorial Team in making sound decisions on improving the quality and rigour of the submitted articles, as well as evaluating the suitability of articles for publication.

### **Promptness**

All submissions are directed to highly qualified peer reviewers who provide detailed feedback on the quality of the submitted work within the designated time frame. Typically, the first round of the peer review process lasts 4–6 weeks, a second round (after revisions) may be necessary.

## **Objectivity**

Reviews of submitted articles are clear, thorough, unbiased and honest while supportive and constructive.

## **Consideration of Sources**

Reviewers support authors by identifying relevant published sources that have not been cited in the paper and may help to improve the submission. Reviewers also notify the Editor of substantial overlaps between the article under review and any other publications.

## **Conflict of Interest**

Reviewers who are concerned that they have a conflict of interest are expected to decline the request to review articles.

## **Responsibilities of authors**

Authors of research-based articles must present an objective and accurate account of the work performed as well as provide an impartial discussion of its significance. Empirical articles must contain sufficient detail and references to enable others to replicate their projects. False or inaccurate statements are considered fraudulent and are unacceptable.

## **Originality, Plagiarism and Acknowledgement of Sources**

Authors must submit original material for review. All citations (including Tables and Figures) must be cited correctly and fully. The work and wording of other scholars must always be cited to avoid plagiarism.

## **Multiple Submissions and Redundant Publication**

Articles that have been published elsewhere must not be submitted for review. Articles presenting the same research may not be published in more than one journal.

## **Authorship**

The corresponding author must ensure that all contributing co-authors are included in the author list, either alphabetically or according to their contribution. The corresponding author together with the Editor must verify that all co-authors have approved the final version of the contribution.

## **Errors in Published Articles**

In the case of a significant error in the published material, authors must promptly notify the Editor. The publication must then be corrected in the form of an erratum.