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How challenging should it be to be locked up as a student in the classroom of your crazy teacher. The only way to escape is to use all your knowledge and skills. You have one hour of class and the clock is ticking. Welcome to Escape the Classroom.

Joris Koot started in 2015 the project Escape the Classroom together with his colleague Anne de Groot. They design and play escape classrooms. With the help of two grants from the Teacher Development Fund (LerarenOntwikkelfonds), they share their knowledge via the site www.escapetheclassroom.nl and in workshops at teacher training courses and conferences.

Joris Koot started after graduation as a marine ecologist at the NIOZ, the Royal Dutch Institute for Sea Research but quickly shifted towards education. First at the teacher education of the Hogeschool Utrecht and from 2010 as a high school teacher at Segbroek College in the Hague. There he met with Anne de Groot where they started with Escape the Classroom in 2015. In two years they gave workshops to more than 1500 teachers and in 2017 they developed a special Escape classroom for high school year 1 Biology. This escape room was played by 10.000 students in September 2017.

After that Joris moved to a farmhouse near Apeldoorn where he started teaching Biology at the KSG Apeldoorn in bilingual education. He is still giving workshops on Escape the Classroom and develops other interactive teaching materials for example in CLIL (content language integrated learning).

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Project website Escape the Classroom (escapetheclassroom.nl)

Escape the Classroom on YouTube (www.youtube.com/watch?v=EUUfuZ0VOQY)

10.000 students play Escape the Classroom in one week (www.youtube.com/watch?v=hS64a4RZ1t0)