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#### **ABSTRACT**

This final report discusses the Reader Development Program (RDP) of the Free Library of Philadelphia's English as a Second Language (ESL) Adult Literacy Instructional Materials Project. Project goals were to identify and review ESL adult literacy instructional materials developed by ESL practitioners. These objectives were accomplished by several steps: (1) sending invitations to submit locally developed ESL materials for consideration to over 350 individuals, groups and institutions; (2) searching the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) database; (3) making contacts with AdvancE, Pennsylvania's Adult Education Clearinghouse; (4) examining summaries of Library Service and Construction Act (LSCA) Title VI projects; (5) sending press releases to newsletters targeted to reach literacy and ESL practitioners locally and across the United States; (6) reviewing all materials according to several criteria; (7) selecting 23 titles for inclusion in the ESL Idea Book; and (8) publishing the ESL Idea Book, an annotated listing of entries relating to language experience, reading, folk tales, coping skills, grammar, citizenship and additional instructor resources. Budget information, the impact of the project and project activities, and local public library projects are discussed briefly. Also included are the ESL idea book, ESL curriculum guide, ESL bibliography, RDP statistics for 1989-90, library materials expenditures of the LSCA project for 1989-90, and the "Read to Learn" Directory. (CK) (Adjunct ERIC Clearinghouse for ESL Literacy Education)

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#### Part II: Narrative Report

The Reader Development Program of The Free Library of Philadelphia completed the English as a Second Language (ESL) Adult Literacy Instructional Materials Project on September 30, 1990. The purpose of the project was to identify and review ESL adult literacy instructional materials developed by ESL practitioners. The results of this project were compiled in an annotated bibliography called the ESL Idea Book (Attachment 1).

#### Accomplishments - Goals and Objectives

This project is the third in a three year plan to improve resources for the growing English as a Second Language population in Philadelphia. Two earlier publications, the ESL Curriculum Guide (Attachment 2) and the ESL Bibliography (Attachment 3), were also aimed at ESL tutors and teachers. Work on the two previous

projects revealed a need for non-commercial instructional literacy materials developed by ESL practitioners. As a result, the <u>ESL Idea</u>

<u>Book</u> (Attachment 1) emphasizes these materials rather than the trade publications examined regularly by the RDP Book Review Committee.

A specialist with expertise in English as a Second Language curricula was hired to review the materials. This follows the pattern of past practice in projects of this type. The combined experience of the ESL specialist and the RDP librarians assured that the materials selected for the <u>ESL Idea Book</u> were of exceptional quality and usefulness to the literacy community.

The objectives of the program were accomplished by the action steps described in this final report.

A. To search the ERIC data base, other LSCA Title VI projects, ESL projects done with 306 and 310 (353) Adult Education Act funding, and other ESL programs on a local, regional, and national basis.

#### Action Steps

- 1. Invitations to submit locally-developed ESL materials for consideration were sent to over 350 individuals, groups, and institutions, including:
  - state ABE coordinators
  - state libraries
  - state and nationally funded educational clearinghouses
  - scores of local, state, and national literacy programs
  - outstanding ESL tutors and teachers
  - college and university ESL and literacy programs
  - numerous other sources discovered during the research and review process
- 2. Searches of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) database generated 678 titles for possible review.
- 3. Contacts with AdvancE, Pennsylvania's Adult Education Clearinghouse, provided specific information about 306 and 310 (353) Adult Education Act projects in Pennsylvania in the last five years.
- 4. Examinations of summaries of LSCA Title VI projects did not reveal any curriculum development projects.



B. To identify, acquire, and review ESL adult literacy instructional materials developed by ESL practioners.

#### Action Steps

- 1. In order to broaden the identification process, the Library Researcher hired for this project sent press releases to a dozen or more newsletters targeted to reach literacy and ESL practitioners locally and across the United States.
- 2. All materials were reviewed according to the following criteria:
  - beginning to low intermediate ESL skills levels
  - ease of use by volunteers
  - relevance to an urban area
  - overall applicability to ESL populations speaking a diversity of languages
  - attractiveness and usefulness of the design, layout, and packaging
- C. To adapt or adopt the best of these materials for inclusion in the Reader Development Program collection.
  - 1. Approximately 150 items were reviewed in their entirety by the ESL specialist.
  - 2. The Reader Development Program staff, in consultation with the ESL specialist, selected 23 of the titles recommended for inclusion in the ESL Idea Book: A Bibliography of Instructor-Developed Materials for Teaching English as a Second Language to Adults.
  - 3. The items listed in the <u>ESL Idea Book</u> will be provided free to ESL tutors and teachers in Philadelphia.
- D. To produce an annotated resource bibliography of these ESL literacy instructional materials.
  - 1. The <u>ESt Idea Book</u> is an annotated listing that includes chapters on Language Experience, Reading, Folk Tales, Coping Skills, Grammar, Citizenship and Additional Instructor Resources. It also includes an ESL Skill Level Chart, a section for Other State and National ESL Resources, and information on ordering the books.

No major changes or revisions occurred in this LSCA Title VI project.



#### Budget

Unanticipated increases in the preparation and printing costs did cause some funds to be shifted from the library materials category. However, the overall intent and scope of the project remained unchanged. The RDP library materials budget, which is currently over \$300,000, was used to augment the LSCA Title VI project budget for materials. The budget for this LSCA grant was:

	Projected	Actual
Staff	.\$15,300.00\$	15,461.00
Library materials	.\$ 6,500.00\$	5,160.23
OtherPR, printing, and promo		4,378.77
Total	.\$25,000.00\$	25,000.00

#### Project Impact and Activities

During fiscal year 89-90 RDP served over 17,000 students; approximately 30% of those served were identified as English as a Second Language adults. Of the 240 organizations providing literacy services in Philadelphia, approximately 60 now provide ESL instructional programs. The materials identified and acquired in the course of producing this ESL Idea Book have broadened the scope of the Reader Development Program ESL collection. Although the publication of the ESL Idea Book will help ESL tutors and instructors in Philadelphia, the Reader Development Program answers numerous inquiries for its publications from libraries and literacy programs throughout the United States. The Reader Development Program is also



responsible for a twice-yearly column in <u>Booklist</u>, the American Library Association review periodical, which will disseminate the findings of this study. As a result, the federal grant funds used for this publication project will benefit ESL instructors and students far beyond the Philadelphia area.

#### Local Public Library Projects

Locally, the <u>ESL Idea Book</u> will be available free of charge to the agencies and organizations which are eligible to receive free instructional materials from the Reader Development Program. These groups are listed in the <u>Read to Learn Directory</u> (Attachment 6), published by the Mayor's Commission on Literacy.

Multiple copies of the materials listed in the <u>ESL Idea Book</u> were purchased using LSCA Title VI funds (Attachment 5). Additional copies were purchased using local and state funds from the Reader Development Program book budget. These will also be offered free to tutors and instructors through the Reader Development Program.

All branches of The Free Library of Philadelphia have mini-collections of literacy and ESL materials. These books may be borrowed by Free Library card holders. Local branches also serve as distribution sites for RDP materials; student-tutor pairs often use branch libraries as tutoring locations.

In this way, the resources of the Reader Development Program are accessible not only to 17,000 adult literacy students and 3,000 paid and volunteer tutors but also to the entire Philadelphia learning community.



#### **Attachments**

- 1. ESL Idea Book, 1990
- 2. ESL Curriculum Guide, 1988
- 3. ESL Bibliography, 1989
- 4. RDP Statistics for 89-90
- 5. Library materials expenditures/LSCA Title VI project
- 6. Read to Learn Directory



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#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Reader Development Program (RDP) of The Free Library of Philadelphia provides consumable instructional materials for adults in literacy and English as a Second Language (ESL) programs in Philadelphia. This is the third publication by RDP designed to meet the changing needs of the city's ESL population. In 1988, RDP published the ESL Curriculum Guide, which identified trends in ESL instruction and curricular needs of Philadelphia ESL programs. In 1989, RDP published its ESL Bibliography, which reviewed the offerings of commercial ESL publishers through October, 1988. Those ESL resources, like this one, were made possible by Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) funds.

The emphasis of this bibliography is on non-commercial instructional literacy materials developed by ESL practitioners. Invitations to submit locally-developed ESL materials for consideration were sent to over 350 individuals, groups, and institutions, including:

- state ABE coordinators;
- state libraries;
- state and nationally funded educational clearinghouses;
- scores of local, state and national literacy programs;
- outstanding ESL tutors and teachers;
- college and university ESL and literacy programs; and
- numerous other sources that were suggested or discovered during the research and review process.

These groups and individuals were asked to share bibliographies, curriculum guides, lesson plans, activity ideas, locally published books and magazines or whatever else they had developed. More than 100 titles were thus received. Searches of The Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) databases suggested another 678 titles, of which 35 were examined in their entirety.

All materials were reviewed according to the following criteria:

- beginning to low intermediate ESL skills level;
- ease of use by volunteers;
- relevance to an urban area;
- overall applicability to ESL populations speaking a



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### diversity of languages; and attractiveness and usefulness of design, layout and packaging.

The initial request for materials to be considered for inclusion in this bibliography was for ESL adult literacy instructional materials developed by ESL practitioners. We found that some of the promising non-commercial materials were developed through the team efforts of instructors and their ESL students. Accordingly, one entire section of the recommended materials, "Language Experience," features true stories of actual adult ESL students—stories that were first told or written by students, then edited with instructors' and other students' help. Another section, "Folk Tales," features students' retelling—in English—of their countries' folk tales.

A number of problems were encountered in attempting such a bibliography. It became obvious, for example, that "no 1-commercial" means different things to different people. For the purposes of this publication, "non-commercial" means material duplicated or printed for limited local use and/or by individuals. Usually such titles do not have an ISBN number (although they may have an ERIC reference number) and they may not have been formally field-tested. In contrast, commercially-developed ESL materials usually have been field-tested and professionally edited, printed in large quantities, aggressively sold by their publishers—and they do have ISBN numbers.

Original plans called for listing only non-commercial materials in this bibliography. However, it was later decided to include some commercial products that provide excellent models of particular types of materials or valuable reference information. Instructors or programs with access to desktop publishing hardware and software can profit from studying and imitating the layouts and styles of these professionally-prepared materials.

As with other RDP bibliographic projects, this list does not include materials requiring tapes or other non-print components. Other materials were rejected if they were in unmanageable formats. A number of titles were rejected because they contained too many typographical errors or were available only as difficult-to-read photocopies. A few excellent materials had to be excluded when it was determined that they are no for distribution outside of the state in which they were created.

It is anticipated that the variety and excellence of the materials chosen for this bibliography will inspire, challenge and encourage instructors



and students alike. The publication is called an "idea book" for that very reason—in hopes that everyone will gain new ideas with which to improve community ESL projects.



#### HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

This bibliography is divided into seven subject areas, each of which provides the following information:

- · an introduction;
- · annotated entries; and
- brief suggestions for developing such materials on one's own.

These seven sections can be used in any order, depending upon the instructors' and students' needs. Suppose, for example, that you want to have your students read personal experience stories written by other ESL students, as a springboard to either speaking or writing about their own experiences. You would turn to the section titled "Language Experience." Scan or carefully study the introductory paragraphs. Then read through the annotated entries to see which ones best suit your needs based on your current situation and familiarity with language experience techniques. If you live in Philadelphia, call 686-5346 to learn how to order materials. Others need to order directly from the publishers. Publishers' addresses are listed in an appendix.

All materials annotated in this publication are listed in The ESL Skill Level Chart on pages 22-23. The chart provides an overview of the materials by ESL skill level and subject category. Titles are listed in alphabetical order within each ESL subject category. All titles also are listed in the Title Index, which begins on page 38.

Users are cautioned that both readability levels (grade level of reading ability, based on the Gunning Fog Index) and the ESL skill levels are only approximations. There really are no accepted universal standards for measuring or defining ESL levels. The following general descriptions of ESL skill levels will be helpful as a guide to choosing materials for your students:

Beginner Illiterate: cannot read or write in native language; not familiar with the Roman alphabeí; may know only a few dozen spoken or written English words or phrases.

<u>Beginner</u>: functionally literate in native language; may know some simple English sentences; is familiar with the Roman alphabet and Arabic numerals; can read some common English signs, words and phrases and low-level, controlled vocabulary texts.



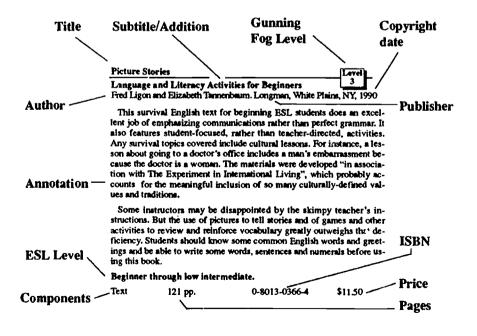
High Beginner: able to understand and initiate common English conversations and greetings; able to read simple English texts; has a beginning grasp of the English sound and grammar system; able to write short English paragraphs or notes unassisted.

Low Intermediate: has a good grasp of the English sound system and has basic English decoding skills; can read many English signs, billboards and posters, and some articles in the daily newspapers; able to do considerable writing in English, but needs to rely on a dictionary.

Intermediate: good English decoding and writing skills; able to carry on extended conversations in English, though grammar may be poor and misunderstandings may be quite common; able to read most English encountered in daily living experiences, although probably not with full comprehension.

"Instructor Resources" do not have a readability level. However, if they contain material for students, ESL skill levels will be suggested in the annotation.

Following is a sample entry, with the various fields labeled for your reference:





## LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE

anguage experience (also called the language experience approach, language experience stories or the language experience method) refers to a technique of combining students' vocabulary and life experiences with instructors' writing know-how to quickly provide meaningful, student-centered texts. Simply put, students talk (tell a story, describe a situation, dictate a letter, etc.) and the instructor writes down exactly what was said. The written product may then be used for further instruction, leisure reading or for other classroom or independent study purposes.

The instructor resources (IR) listed below contain excellent suggestions for using a language experience approach with ESL students. The other publications include personal-experience stories on a variety of levels and topics. Language experience stories are particularly powerful when richly illustrated, whether with art work or with photographs.

Language experience techniques can be used with equal effectiveness in one-to-one tutoring situations or in a class or small-group situation where everyone contributes to the writing of the story or letter or article. Most of the texts cited below are the work of individual students. Some stories, however, were based on class discussions that were recorded and transcribed. Then the speakers helped to edit the transcriptions.

Persons desiring additional information about using language experience techniques and materials with ESL students should refer to Listening to Students' Voices: Educational Materials Written By and For LEP Adult Literacy Learners, a digest published by the National Clearinghouse on Literacy Education (NCLE) for educators dealing wih persons having limited English proficiency (LEP). To obtain a free copy of this excellent two-page report, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: NCLE, 1118 22nd Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037.



#### ANNOTATED ENTRIES

#### **English as a Second Language**

IR

#### Language Experience Approach: Instructional Guide and ESL Reader.

Harry Ringel and Jeanne H. Smith. The Nationalities Service Center, Philadelphia, PA, 1989.

The short first section of this guide explains the purpose and use of the language experience approach with ESL students. Many teaching suggestions, for both group and one-to-one application, are included. The second section contains 30 student-produced stories ("My Job in Cambodia," "The Earthquake in Mexico" etc.). Each story is accompanied by a vocabulary list, follow-up exercises and suggestions for helping the reader to tell his or her story ("Please tell about your job in your country.").

The story selections are short and interesting. The exercises are of varying difficulty. The few, simple illustrations add meaning but are perhaps too small. A more open layout (for example having only the story and the illustration on a page) would make the product more inviting and less overwhelming. In all, though, this is an excellent instructor resource.

#### Beginner through intermediate.

Text

111 pp.

No ISBN

Free

#### **Personal Stories 1**

Level

Kamla Devi Koch, Linda Mrowicki and Arlene Ruttenberg. Linmore Publishing, Inc., Palatine, IL, 1986.

Selections in this beginning reading book are grouped around three themes: family, home and weekday activities. The stories are three paragraphs long, each illustrated with photographs. Student writing activities include circling correct answers and copying letters, words and sentences. The book assumes minimal English speaking skills and recognition of the alphabet, numbers and a few words. The format provides a good model for developing and presenting language experience stories for beginning English users.

The stories use carefully controlled vocabulary and similar or parallel sentence construction. The content is somewhat mundane but the excellent comprehension activities throughout offset the plodding plots. The black and white photos provide key information about each paragraph. Most are of good to excellent quality.



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#### Beginner.

Text 78 pp. 0-916591-02-6 \$5.95 Teacher's Book 42 pp. 0-916591-03-4 \$4.50

#### We're All in This TOGETHER!

Level 3-7

Azi Ellowitch, Karen Batt and Martha A. Lane. LaSalle Adult Learning Project, Urban Studies and Community Services Center of LaSalle University, Philadelphia, PA, 1985.

This is a "multi-cultural learning unit for ABE and ESOL students." It contains 3 photo-language experience stories, plus other language experience stories and articles about life in the inner city. It also contains stories or articles about life in other countries or areas, from which the student authors had to flee.

Each story or article is followed by several pages of excellent learning activities that reinforce both comprehension and decoding skills. The exercises range from simple to rather difficult and often require complex reasoning skills. The five pages of suggestions to instructors should be read by anyone considering using language experience techniques in ESL teaching.

#### Beginner through intermediate.

Text

32 pp.

No ISBN

\$2 S&H

#### The Writer's Voice: Growing Up



Students, tutors and friends of East End Literacy. East End Literacy Press, Toronto, Ontario, CANADA, 1985.

It's called a "book," but it's more like a magazine, with its full-page format and rich variety of articles, graphs, puzzles, recipes and artwork. The Writer's Voice is published four times a year by a student writing group, assisted by volunteers and staff who "provide technical assistance and...encourage open and informed discussion." This issue, one of the first, includes both typed and handwritten entries.

Any ESL class interested in developing its own student writings would get many ideas from **The Writer's Voice**. The material has been very well edited and is presented in attractive format and a style that is easy to read and use. The major articles in this issue contain language experience stories about growing up, child abuse, and learning to read.

#### Beginner through intermediate.

Text

41 pp.

No ISBN

**\$**3.50



## READING

The following small readers have a number of characteristics in common. They are all fiction, all action-packed and all feature characters who are or were ESL students. All also deal with culture shock or other cross-cultural issues.

All of these novelettes are easy to read because they use clear typefaces, many illustrations and short lines of text. Such characteristics can and should be emulated in any instructor-produced materials.

Some students, often for cultural reasons or because of past painful experiences, prefer not to write language experience stories. Having them write short fiction about other persons they have known, or about persons like themselves, can accomplish many of the same things that language experience stories do. The following selections provide good models for such assignments.

#### ANNOTATED ENTRIES

#### **Leping: Brand New Baby**

Level 3-4

Patricia Costello and Marc Lecard. Alemany Press, Hayward, CA, 1990.

Leping accompanied her husband to the U.S. so that he could work for his doctorate in engineering. The life of a student's spouse can be very lonely, she finds. She knows she'd be happier if she had a baby. She's already 32 years old. But her husband thinks they can't afford a baby while he's still in graduate school.

The characters and storyline are believable and interesting. The authors have chosen to write in the present tense throughout, which becomes a bit tiring after a while. The story includes cultural clashes and misunderstandings, adding to the value of the novelette as an ESL reader. Black



and white chapter illustrations are realistic and help to summarize the story.

High beginner through low intermediate.

Text

52 pp.

0-13-292673-3

\$3.95

Sabrina: This is our Home

Level 3

Patricia Costello and Marc Lecard. Alemany Press,

Hayward, CA, 1990.

Sabrina is from the Philippines. Her neighbors in the decrepit apartment building are from many countries. They have one thing in common—disgust about the disrepair of their building. Too often there is no heat, or the elevator doesn't work, or the hall lights are out. When they start to have tenant meetings, they learn all kinds of lessons about problem solving in the U.S.

The style and design of this book are the same as for Leping.

High beginner through low intermediate.

Text

51 pp.

0-13-292657-1

\$3.95

**Toi's Story** 

Level 4

Sue Leap and the Literacy Council of Alaska Staff. Literacy Council of Alaska, Fairbanks, AK, 1986.

When Toi and her husband Frank land at the San Francisco airport, Toi realizes what a huge change she will face in this new country, where she has no friends and doesn't understand either the customs or the language.

Another very easy-to-read story about a new arrival's first impressions of the U.S. There are numerous and excellent illustrations, plus large type and well-spaced text. Delightful!

Beginner.

Text

15 pp.

No ISBN

\$2.25



### **FOLK TALES**

Ithough language may be the medium, culture is the message," says linguist Robert C. Lafayette. It is therefore important for ESL classes to incorporate such cultural teaching objectives as valuing different peoples and societies and recognizing such major aesthetic monuments of the culture as architecture, literature and the arts.

Folk tales are a very important form of every culture. They also are universally popular with the educated and uneducated alike, as the following materials will quickly illustrate. Each resource suggests numerous interesting ways to take full advantage of students' well-known folk tales.

Simplified American folk tales would be a useful addition to the ESL curriculum, as would resources that compare similar tales across cultures.

#### ANNOTATED ENTRIES

#### **Hmong Folk Tales**

Level

#### Level 1

Charles Johnson, Series Editor. Linguistics Department, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN, 1981.

#### **Exercises and Activities for Hmong Folk Tales**

IR

Ava-Dale Johnson, International Institute of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN, 1988.

These inexpensive, wonderfully illustrated, pocket-sized booklets retell famous Hmong stories. Each page has an illustration and just a few lines of type. Eleven titles are included in Level 1, from which four were chosen for their usefulness and universality. These booklets are exceptionally useful because they give newly literate Hmong persons something to



read which is familiar to them. They are also worth their weight in gold for the insights they can provide to ESL instructors about the Hmong culture.

The accompanying Exercises and Activities for Hmong Folk Tales book contains suggestions for oral and written review of the eleven tales. Permission is granted to reproduce each worksheet for classroom use. Each worksheet gives the page on which students may find answers to the questions and exercises. Many of the worksheets also reproduce illustrations from Tales.

Brief notes about each of the eleven stories, plus a page of additional ways in which to use **Tales**, makes this a very useful teacher's aid.

The Beginning of the World: How We Got Grain and Meat The Beginning of the World: The Sun and Moon

The First Farmer: Why Farmers Have to Carry Their Crops

The Flood: How Hmong Names Began

#### Beginner.

Text	30 - 36 pp.	No ISBN	\$0.30 each
Exercises Book	42 pp.	No ISBN	\$6.00

#### Folk Tales: A New Approach to ESL

Virginia Briscoe, Khang Pham, Setthy Som, Jean Henry,
Doris Zook and dozens of ESL students from four school districts.
Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13, Lancaster, PA, 1984.

This anthology of folk tales has three sections of stories: beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels. Tales from Cambodia, Laos, China, Poland, Vietnam, India, France, Turkey, Colombia, Ireland and a number of other countries are included. Each tale is followed by short, targeted exercises that teach conversation and comprehension skills, vocabulary and writing.

The illustrations are interesting but too few in number. An appendix includes Hispanic and Cambodian sayings, plus answer keys to the exercises. In spite of a plain typed, unexciting layout, this is a wonderful instructor's resource book because it contains so many levels of reading and exercises.

#### Beginner through advanced.

Text 195 pp. No ISBN On loan from AdvancE



## **COPING SKILLS**

The resources listed in this section could go by many names: survival English, everyday language skills or life skills. All of the resources are concerned with helping ESL students cope in daily, emergency, work, social and other situations. They all are integrated texts, emphasizing the four basic communications skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. They also exemplify several trends in ESL teaching:

- an emphasis on understanding and being understood rather than on whole sentence construction;
- a shift in control of the learning process from the instructor to the student;
- an increased emphasis on cooperative learning, in pairs, teams or classes;
- a major focus on building a bridge between classroom and real world English by incorporating all kinds of community assignments into ESL lessons.

The books in this section address these issues. We need more resources like these!

#### ANNOTATED ENTRIES

#### Get Ready! Go! Home Free!

Level

#### **ESL Field Trips**

Kathleen Santopietro. Delta Systems Co. Inc., Dundee, IL, 1988.

This text contains nine units about places found in nearly any urban neighborhood, such as a supermarket, a post office and a drugstore. For each unit, there is emphasis on conversation, working in pairs, listening, working with short texts, Total Physical Response activities (instructors give commands in English; students say nothing but act out the commands), practice interviews, a field trip to the place being studied, then



follow-up writing chores (i.e. writing a thank-you note to a store manager).

The excellent, in-depth exercises require cooperation among students. They also require students to explore their neighborhoods in realistic, nonthreatening ways. The text assumes some familiarity with the Roman alphabet, plus some spoken English skills.

#### Beginner through intermediate.

Student's Book

190 pp.

0-937354-33-3

\$11.95

#### I Want to Speak English

Level 0-2

#### Revised

Ava-Dale Johnson and Jean Hanshin. International Institute of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN, 1990.

This book is designed for new arrivals, particularly persons with little or no previous literacy skills. The first of the three sections focuses on listening and speaking skills. The 37 pages of excellent drawings illustrate individual objects, feelings and actions, as well as composite scenes.

The second section is an introduction to reading and writing. Lastly, a reference section lists signs, classroom directions and common vocabulary words. A numbers chart and an alphabet chart are also included. The book was first published in 1982.

I Want to Speak English is meant as a framework for lessons, but it is also an excellent first book for newcomers. All the vocabulary and tasks are practical. Students with no previous schooling will need more writing practice than is found in the book. While the illustrations feature Asian-featured persons, they should appeal to any students because of their excellent quality. The book was designed by professional ESL teachers and it shows — beautifully!

#### Beginner illiterate through beginner.

Text

84 pp.

No ISBN

\$6.00

#### **Picture Stories**

Level 3

Language and Literacy Activities for Beginners

Fred Ligon and Elizabeth Tannenbaum. Longman, White Plains, NY, 1990.

This survival English text for beginning ESL students does an excellent job of emphasizing communications rather than perfect grammar. It also features student-focused, rather than teacher-directed, activities. Any



survival topics covered include cultural lessons. For instance, a lesson about going to a doctor's office includes a man's embarrassment because the doctor is a woman. The materials were developed "in association with The Experiment in International Living," which probably accounts for the meaningful inclusion of so many culturally-defined values and traditions.

Some instructors may be disappointed by the skimpy teachers' instructions. But the use of pictures to tell stories and of games and other activities to review and reinforce vocabulary greatly outweighs that deficiency. Students should know some common English words and greetings and be able to write some words, sentences and numerals before using this book.

#### Beginner through low intermediate.

Text

121 pp.

0-8013-0366-4

\$11.50

#### Starting to Read

Linda Mrowicki. Linmore Publishing, Inc., Palatine, IL, 1988.

Level 3

This is a very practical basic text for beginning ESL students. It gives more than the usual practice in reading and writing personal information. Good quality photographs illustrate the eight lessons (About Me, My Family, etc.). The type face is especially appropriate for new readers. Each unit begins with two kinds of exercises ("Read and Do with Your Class" and "Read and Do by Yourself") that serve as a pre-test. There is also a brief written post-test for each unit.

The authors involved ESL students in the preparation and field-testing of the book — undoubtedly one reason for its good quality. Charts of the alphabet and the numerals would have been a helpful addition.

#### Beginner.

Student Book	84 pp.	0-916591-11-5	\$5.50
Teachers Edition	30 pp.	0-916591-12-3	\$4.50

#### Using English 1

Ellen Vaut. International Institute of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN, 1987.

Level 3-5

Each of the 16 units contains the following sections: Warm Up (students look at a picture and guess the dialogue); Listen (students listen to the dialogue, then answer comprehension questions); Practice with a Partner



(students say and trade parts of the dialogue); Using Your English (activities to use with persons outside of class—the bridge to real life situations); Read and Understand (text and questions); Talk about a Problem (students share problems they've encountered); and Check Your English (a checklist of competencies, to help students and instructors measure progress). Correlated grammar exercises are located in the appendix.

The units are based on the Minnesota Department of Education's Employment Competency Checklist, but are applicable to any area. The activities are short and practical. The activities to be carried out in the community (i.e. go to a restaurant and order only in English) are specific. The main drawback to the text is that it is teacher-directed, rather than student-centered.

#### Beginner through low intermediate.

Text

150 pp.

No ISBN

\$10.00



## **GRAMMAR**

ramma many persons seem to feel, is one of those "necessary evils." While many titles we reviewed included grammatical elements, few contained new or exciting ideas for teaching them. The resources included below are happy exceptions. GrammarGuide and Pronouns both are examples of materials designed for ESL students to use as resources and in independent study. The Handbook for Volunteer ESL Literacy Teachers, annotated in the Additional Instructor Resources section, contains many fine examples of developing simple but solid grammar exercises. Also refer to Inside English, a title already included in the Reader Development Bibliography, for some truly excellent exercises. Inside English is particularly valuable as a tutor-training resource.

#### ANNOTATED ENTRIES

#### GrammarGuide: English Grammar in Context

IR

Janet M. Bing. Prentice Hall Regents, Old Tappan, NJ, 1989.

GrammarGuide is intended to be used by beginning and intermediate ESL students as a reference for out-of-class, independent study. It is recommended here, as an instructor resource, because it is laden with simplified, easy-to-teach explanations of English grammar rules. It is also an excellent reference book for curriculum developers in search of universal examples and alternate ways of explaining English language structures.

Charts, tables and line drawings are used very effectively to explain difficult concepts. For example, the difference between verb tenses be-



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comes clear through the use of a simple time line. Comparative sizes and prepositions of place and direction are explained by simple but clear graphics. The present, past, and past participle forms of common irregular verbs are charted on the inside covers for quick reference.

#### High beginner through intermediate.

Text

318 pp.

0-13-362310-6

\$14.00

#### Pronouns: The "Who" Words of English

Rosanne Keller. Literacy Council of Alaska, Fairbanks, AK, 1978.

IR

This heavily illustrated, hand-lettered booklet explains in several ways the meanings of "who," "whom" and "whose" as well as the subject, object and indirect object pronouns. This is an excellent example of how to explain grammar to beginner illiterate and beginner ESL students. The text of the book consists solely of individual words (i.e., me) and short phrases (i.e., my ball). The clear, often humorous illustrations explain the meaning of the various pronouns better than most written explanations ever do.

#### Illiterate beginner through beginner.

Text

32 pp.

No ISBN

\$2.00



## **CITIZENSHIP**

The U.S. Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which paved the way for the Amnesty program, also prompted the publishing and republishing of many citizenship-related materials. Too often, however, these tended to be school texts rewritten for adult ESL audiences. As a result, many programs were forced to write their own materials.

The first resource described below is an outstanding example of citizenship-related material developed by instructors. While there is certainly nothing fancy about its layout, the content is first-rate. This should prove a good model for any subject-specific materials you may need to develop.

Here to Stay in the USA shows how much more powerful good content can be when sharp photographs and clear graphs and drawings are carefully chosen and reproduced. It also contains excellent examples of "learning by doing" activities.

The U.S. Government has a series of required citizenship texts, but they are too difficult for beginning ESL students. They definitely should be used as a basis for any citizenship materials developed, however, because they are "used in the testing requirement under section 312 for naturalization purposes." The texts come in two levels: I (6th grade level) and II (10th grade level). Copies can be obtained from the U.S. Government Bookstore, 100 N. 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 or from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325.

#### The series includes:

U.S. Government Structure - Level I	\$3.25
U.S. Government Structure - Level II	\$3.00
U.S. History - Level I	\$6.50
U.S. History - Level II	\$5.50

The Center for Applied Linguistics has rewritten the federal texts into



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three interactive, intermediate texts. This was done under contract to the Immigration and Naturalization Service and these easier to read texts are also available from U.S. Government Bookstores or the Superintendent of Documents.

#### This series includes:

Of the People	027-002-00381-1	\$13.00
By the People	027-002-00380-2	\$10.00
For the People	027-002-00374-9	\$ 5.50

#### ANNOTATED ENTRIES

#### A Guide to Teaching ESL in Amnesty Preparation Classes: Overview

IR

Fiona Armstrong, Mary Alice O'Connor, Jane MacKillop et al. New York State Education Department, NY, NY, 1989.

The Guide provides curriculum outlines and resource packets on nearly a dozen subjects. The curriculum outlines include objectives adapted from the Immigration & Naturalization Service (INS) materials, California's CASAS IRCA Project and the New York State Education Department IRCA Curriculum. (CASAS stands for Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment System, while IRCA means Immigration Reform and Control Act.) A bibliography of civics and history texts includes sample pages of the various resources.

A brief, well written guide, this gives an excellent overview of types of lessons needed for beginning ESL students working towards citizenship. Emphasis is on civics and history content, not on the development of literacy or ESL skills. For example, the Columbus Day Resource Packet contains objectives (i.e. "Name the person who 'discovered' America and when."), a brief teacher's guide, good illustrations that tell the story of Columbus' travels, plus many ready-to-use worksheets and learning activities. Materials are labeled by levels of students—a real time-saver for the multi-level classroom instructor.

The packets are ready-to-go and easy-to-use, an instructor's dream. The carefully developed activities include mind-mapping, cloze exercises, cooperative learning tasks, word searches, quiz sheets and more. Copies are free upon written request to the New York State Department of Education's Bureau of Continuing Education Program Development.



#### Beginner through Intermediate.

Text

42 pp.

No ISBN

Free

The resource packets included in the series are:

Columbus Day	34 pp.
Coming to the USA	34 pp.
Constitution & Government	62 pp.
Election Day	45 pp.
Labor Day	16 pp.
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	20 pp.
Presidents Day	25 pp.
Thanksgiving Day	52 pp.
Veterans Day	34 pp.

#### Here to Stay in the USA

Level 3

Timothy Maciel, John Duffy, and Edna Diolata-MacArthur. Alemany Press, Hayward, CA, 1990.

This low-level, well-illustrated text is a competency-based ESL and citizenship text. It contains many small-group and team activities that teach coping skills and encourage students to express original thoughts in English. Each of the 11 units is introduced with four excellent photographs that preview unit vocabulary and content. Clear line drawings of situations, people and maps are found on every other page of the book. Several activities are based on Total Physical Response and language experience techniques. The "teacher's manual" is a four-page, loose insert. Its precise yet ample instructions are easy to use. The entire book provides an excellent model for developing other ESL curricula. And it's fun to use!

#### High beginner.

Text

133 pp.

0-880884-359-4

\$5.35



## ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTOR RESOURCES

Ithough the following titles have no subject matter in common, they all are good examples of instructor-developed materials. They range from ones published by large organizations (Culturgrams) to ones jotted down by thoughtful, skilled volunteer tutors (An ESOL Notebook). The last title (Using Proverbs and Sayings in the ESL/EFL Classroom) exemplifies the many good resources available through ERIC and other educational clearinghouses—resources that too often are neglected by nonprofit, community-based ESL programs—resources that often are as close as the library. (See the chapter titled "Other State and National ESL Resources" for more information about ERIC.)

It is hoped that this section will encourage you to consider your areas of special skill and knowledge, then take the time to put them into a sharable form, so that other instructors may learn from your experiences. We would all be the richer for such joint inquiry.

#### ANNOTATED ENTRIES

**Culturgrams: The Nations Around Us** 

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V. Lynn Tyler, General Editor. David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, distributed by Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc., 1988.



"Culturgrams" are synopses of such key national characteristics as customs, values, traditions, lifestyles, history, geography and a number of others. The materials are developed in collaboration with country experts and are updated every few years. Volume I covers North and South America and Western and Eastern Europe. Volume II describes the Middle East, Africa, Asia and the Pacific areas.

Every ESL program should have a set with which to provide orientation information to new tutors, for example. The materials are well organized into useful sections, including one on where to get additional information. Each Culturgram is labeled as to its last revision date.

Volume I	212 pp	0-912048-60-3	\$15.00
Volume II	182 pp.	0-912048-58-1	\$15.00

#### An ESOL Notebook

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Sue Miller. Project: LEARN, Cleveland, OH, 1987.

The "notebook" actually is a compilation of columns written in the literacy program's newsletter. Subjects for which tutoring tips are provided include: dialog, vocabulary, structure (grammar), pronunciation and feelings.

This is a delightful tutor's aid that should be pulled out and read by instructors every six months or so. It should also be kept handy for teaching emergencies—when a new activity suddenly is needed, for example. The suggestions are sound and based on actual experiences of program students and tutors. The notebook is particularly well suited to tutors using Laubach Skill Books.

**Text** 

50 pp.

No ISBN

\$2.00

#### Handbook for Volunteer ESL Literacy Teachers

IR

Kathy Kuy and Bob Thomas. International Institute of Boston, Boston, MA, 1985.

Persons new to ESL tutoring and persons wishing ideas for constructing practical, yet simple, reading and writing exercises will find this handbook very helpful. After giving an overview of major types of literacy methods and techniques, the handbook presents teaching ideas and lesson plans for 3 different levels of ESL students. Sections on teaching multi-level classes and on teacher self-evaluation are particularly helpful.



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#### Beginner through low intermediate.

Text

123 pp.

No ISBN

\$10.00

#### Using Proverbs and Sayings in the ESL/EFL Classroom

IR

Mark Richard Putnam. ERIC Reproduction Services, Alexandria, VA, 1988.

The author provides background information about the use of sayings and proverbs to teach culture, oral communication, pronunciation and reading. A list of common proverbs, samples of ads and articles using proverbs and a reference list are also included.

Even though written as a Master's thesis, this is a very readable study of an area of cultural understanding too often neglected. While the examples given are aimed at students of intermediate or higher levels of English proficiency, they could be adapted for beginning ESL students. This is also a good study for instructors interested in self-development.

**Text** 

92 pp.

ED 299 827

\$10.76



## ESL SKILL LEVEL CHART

	Beginner Illiterate	Beginner	High Beginner	Low Intermediate	Intermediate	Instructor Resource
LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE	Ε					
English as a Second Language Language Experience Approach						
Personal Stories 1				·		
We're All in This TOGETHER!						
The Writer's Voice						
READING						
Leping						
Sabrina						
Toi's Story						
FOLK TALES						
Exercises and Activities for Hmong Folk Tales						
Folk Tales: a New Approach to ESL						
Hmong Folk Tales Level 1						
COPING SKILLS						
Get Ready! Go! Home Free!						



### ESL SKILL LEVEL CHART

	Beginner Illiterate	Beginner	High Beginner	Low Intermediate	Intermediate	Instructor Resource
I Want to Speak English						
Picture Stories						
Starting to Read						
Using English 1						
GRAMMAR						
GrammarGuide						
Pronouns: the "Who" Words of English						
CITIZENSHIP					•	
A Guide to Teaching ESL in Amnesty Preparation Classes						
Here to Stay in the USA						
ADDITIONAL INSTRUCT	OR RESO	URCES				
Culturgrams: The Nations Around Us						
An ESOL Notebook Level 1						
Handbook for Volunteer ESL Literacy Teachers						
Using Proverbs and Sayings in the ESL/EFL Classroom						



# OTHER STATE AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

In the course of preparing this bibliography, a number of helpful state and national ESL information and resource centers were contacted. They provide free or inexpensive services and information to any ESL program or instructor. A brief description of such programs follows.

AdvancE is Pennsylvania's adult education clearinghouse. It provides information to administrators, teachers, counselors and volunteers about a variety of instructional materials. All services of AdvancE are free to Pennsylvania teachers and tutors.

AdvancE staff will search ERIC (see below) and other online computer databases for various types of instructional information. Items from a 2,000-volume library collection of materials for teacher preparation and classroom use may be borrowed for one month from AdvancE. Reports and products from Pennsylvania's 310 and 353 grants also are available from AdvancE.

While AdvancE services are provided mostly by mail and telephone, it is possible to visit the center to examine materials and to discuss instruction-related questions. For more information, call the AdvancE toll-free number (800) 992-2283 or write:

AdvancE
PDE Resource Center
333 Market Street, 11th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333.



Other state departments of education and state literacy offices may have similar resource libraries or resource centers.

ERIC (The Educational Resources Information Center) is an information network sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. ERIC is the world's largest computerized database on education. Some 300,000 documents are kept on microfiche or on computer. Over 700 educational journals are indexed by ERIC. Users can access ERIC at many universities, colleges and public libraries, including the Free Library's Central Library.

There are more than a dozen adjunct ERIC databases, one of the most recent being the National Clearinghouse on Literacy Education (NCLE), operated by the Center for Applied Linguistics. All ERIC databases specialize in referencing and disseminating "quality non-commercial, unpublished, or out-of-print materials that would otherwise be difficult for the practitioner or researcher to obtain." Each ERIC database has its particular area of concentration. NCLE, for example, concentrates on documents related to literacy education for Limited English Proficient (LEP) adults and out-of-school youth. A special NCLE focus is "the training of trainers of volunteer tutors and others who provide literacy services."

The ERIC databases seek items such as program descriptions, evaluations, curriculae and papers presented at conferences. A number of digests, bulletins and "Minibibs" are available free of charge. Most other documents are available for purchase in microfiche or paper copy format, as well as by online and CD-ROM computer access.

For a list of free materials or more information about NCLE, contact:

National Clearinghouse on Literacy Education (NCLE) Center for Applied Linguistics 1118 22nd Street, NW Washington, DC 20037 Telephone: (202) 429-9292 FAX: (202) 659-5641

To order any ERIC document that has an ERIC identification number (for example, ED 299 827), contact:

ERIC Document Reproduction Service (EDRS) 3900 Wheeler Avenue Alexandria, VA 22304-6409 Telephone: (800) 227-3742

Another national information source is the U.S. Department of Education's Clearinghouse on Adult Education, which produces a number of publications, including the Bibliography of the Clearinghouse on



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Adult Education Resources, which provides a list of free materials. ESL topics often are included. Contact:

Clearinghouse on Adult Education Room 522, Reporters Building 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202-5515 Telephone: (202) 732-2396

The U.S. Department of Education's Division of Adult Education and Literacy also puts out ESL NOTES, a monthly newsletter of interest to ESL practitioners. It seeks and shares information about "instructional techniques and methodologies, proven practices, research, or other activities related to the education and training" of limited English proficient adults. Contact:

Joyce Campbell
U.S. Department of Education
Division of Adult Education & Literacy
Room 4428, MES Building
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-7240

ESL information also can be obtained through a number of national educational organizations. In addition to meetings on pertinent subjects, most such organizations also publish books, journals and newsletters or have ESL-related special interest groups. For example:

American Association for Adult and Continuing Education (AAACE) 1112 16th St. NW, Suite 420 Washington, DC 20036

Telephone: (202) 463-6333

International Reading Association (IRA) 800 Barksdale Road PO Box 8139
Newark, DE 19714-8139
Telephone: (302) 731-1600

Laubach Literacy Action P. O. Box 131 Syracuse, NY 13210 Telephone: (315) 422-9121

Literacy Volunteers of America 5795 Widewaters Parkway Syracuse, NY 13214 Telephone: (315) 445-8000



Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) 1600 Cameron Street, Suite 300 Alexandria, VA 22314 Telephone: (703) 836-0774

Each of these national organizations has state and local chapters, the names of which should be available from the state department of education or from the state literacy organization. For example:

The Pennsylvania Association for Adult Continuing Education (PAACE) P. O. Box 3796 Harrisburg, PA 17105

Due to the continuing national interest in literacy and ESL concerns, new resources and organizations are emerging constantly. Other possible sources of ESL information include: local and state libraries, mayor's and governor's literacy commissions and coalitions, and institutions of higher education.



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of the 50+ neighborhood branches of The Free Library of Philadelphia; see pages 34-35 for a list of branch locations. Also, on request, materials may be picked up at the Reader Development Program, Office of Work with Adults and Young Adults, at the Central Library (Ground Level, Room 2), Logan Square, 19th and Vine Streets, Philadelphia. This process takes approximately 2-4 work days depending on the RDP workload.

New acquisitions of ABE, ESL and GED materials are added at regular intervals. All RDP users are encouraged to review the RDP collection annually. However, because of limited space, all visits must be arranged in advance by calling 686-5346.



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Addison-Wesley World Language Division Jacob Way Reading, MA 01867 (800) 447-2226; (617) 944-3700 FAX (617) 942-1187

AdvancE PDE Resource Center 333 Market Street, 11th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333 (800) 992-2283

Alemany Press (See Prentice Hall Regents)

Delta Systems Co., Inc. 570 Rock Road Drive, Unit H Dundee, IL 60118 (800) 323-8270; (708) 551-9595; FAX (708) 551-9435

Dominie Press Limited 1361 Huntingwood Drive, Unit 7 Agincourt, Ontario M1S 3J1 CANADA (416) 291-5857; FAX (416) 291-1556

East End Literacy 265 Gerrard Street East Toronto, Ontario M5A 2G3 CANADA (416) 968-6869 (see Dominie Press)



ERIC Document Reproduction Service 3900 Wheeler Avenue Alexandria, VA 22304-6409 (800) 227-3742

International Institute of Boston 287 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, MA 02115 (617) 536-1081

International Institute of Minnesota Education Department 1694 Como Avenue St. Paul, MN 55108 (612) 647-0191

LaSalle Urban Center: Adult Learning Project 20th Street and Olney Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19141 (215) 951-1187

Linmore Publishing Box 1545 Palatine, IL 60078 (815) 223-7499

Literacy Council of Alaska 823 Third Avenue Fairbanks, AK 99701 (907) 456-6212

Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc. 5795 Widewaters Parkway Syracuse, NY 13214-1846 (315) 445-8000; FAX (315) 445-8006

Longman (See Addison Wesley)

Macalester College Linguistics Department 1600 Grand Avenue St. Paul, MN 55105



Nationalities Service Center 1300 Spruce Sreet Philadelphia, PA 19107 (215) 893-8400

New York State Education Department Bureau of Continuing Education Program Development 5D-28 Cultural Education Center Building Albany, NY 12230 Attn: Pat Moony-Gonzalez

Prentice Hall Regents 200 Old Tappan Road Old Tappan, NJ 07675 (800) 223-1360 (East of the Mississippi) (800) 225-7162 (West of the Mississippi) (201) 767-5937; FAX (800) 445-6991

Project: LEARN 1701 Payne Avenue Cleveland, OH 44115 (216) 621-9483



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Nicetown-Tioga — 3720 North Broad Street685-9790
Ramonita G. DeRodriguez — 6th St. & Girard Ave592-6211
Richmond — Indiana Ave. & Almond St685-9992
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Frankford — Frankford Ave. & Overington Street685-1473
Holmesburg — Frankford Ave. & Hartel Rd335-8756
Katherine Drexel — Knights & Fairdale Roads685-9383
Lawncrest — 6098 Rising Sun Ave. 686-0549
Tacony — Torresdale Ave. & Knorr Street335-8755
Torresdale — 3079 Holme Ave
Welsh Road — Welsh Rd. & Roosevelt Blvd676-6333
Wyoming — Wyoming Ave. & "B" Street329-7976
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#### **NORTHWEST**

Andorra — Henry Ave. & Cathedral Rd685-2552
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Logan — Wagner Ave. & Old York Rd
Lovett — 6945 Germantown Ave
Northwest Regional — Chelten Ave. & Greene St685-2150
Oak Lane** — 12th Street & Oak Lane685-2848
Roxborough — 6245 Ridge Ave
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West Oak Lane — 74th Ave. & Washington Lane685-2843
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# **INTRODUCTION**

hiladelphia, a city rich in cultural diversity, has grown to include nationalities from all over the world. With this diversity, the need for English as a Second Language (ESL) instruction has grown dramatically.

The Reader Development Program (RDP) of The Free Library of Philadelphia has had a unique role in adult education since 1967. Rather than duplicate programs, the RDP staff has used the expertise and perspective of the public library to locate, select, purchase and provide free materials to adult education programs. In addition to providing books to programs for native speakers of English, RDP has been providing ESL materials since its onset.

In the last decade, there have been significant changes in the population of adults needing ESL programs in Philadelphia. There has been a major migration of Southeast Asian people to the city. The Spanish speaking population, primarily Puerto Rican in the past, has grown to include other Caribbean groups and Central and South Americans. In addition, a variety of other groups have migrated to Philadelphia and need English as a Second Language instruction. All of these groups and individuals have come to Philadelphia with differing educational backgrounds and needs.

In the summer of 1986, the Mayor's Commission on Literacy launched a campaign aimed at the Hispanic population. As requests for materials to teach English to Spanish speakers increased, Reader Development Program staff were reminded of something they had known for some time: the RDP collection of materials for teaching ESL needed to be examined and updated.

Moreover, the Mayor's Commission on Literacy during the past five years has facilitated the recruitment of ESL volunteers and the start of new small programs. Therefore, the need for materials continues to grow. Also, the number of ESL materials being published is on the rise as publishers have realized that a larger market now exists.



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Noting these trends, the RDP staff saw the need to review, update, and expand its current collection to match the needs of ESL students and the existing ESL programs that serve them. In 1987, the Free Library submitted and received a Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) grant to review materials and develop a curriculum guide that would assist volunteers and teachers in the use of the RDP-ESL collection. The method chosen was to hire three ESL educators to review materials, select those most needed, and write a curriculum guide.

These three ESL educators have worked jointly on the project since October, 1987. Ideas for this curriculum guide came from the stated goals of the project, the past experience of the staff, and discussions during the project year. The primary audience for the guide is volunteer ESL tutors in Philadelphia. These tutors have had varying amounts of training and experience.

In order to determine what ESL materials are being used and what kinds are most needed, the ESL consultants wrote and circulated a questionnaire to 50 programs in Philadelphia. They received a response greater than 50% and have used the results in making their selections for the permanent collection. The largest number of requests were for conversation, listening comprehension, pronunciation, and reading materials. The ESL consultants have responded to these requests by selecting a range of materials for various skills and levels.

This guide should prove useful not only for tutors, its primary audience, but also for various kinds of educators in different educational settings: teachers, curriculum developers, teacher and tutor trainers, program administrators and planners, ESL resource centers, libraries, school districts, literacy programs, colleges and universities, vocational programs, ESL professional organizations, and general teachers' organizations. It should also provide useful background for the staff of unions, community organizations, churches, clearinghouses, and advocacy groups that are dealing with adults whose first language is not English.

The guide is organized as follows:

The first part is a general overview of ESL including a description of approaches and methods of teaching.

The second part presents suggestions for successful teaching. It describes how to create a supportive atmosphere for the student. It also emphasizes particular areas of concern when teachers or tutors work with adult ESL students.

The third part discusses ESL literacy, an area that is often overlooked. This section of the guide is designed to help instructors identify ESL literacy students and work with them more effectively.

The fourth part discusses the curriculum itself. It is arranged by categories:



conversation, coping skills, listening, reading, pronunciation, writing, idioms, grammar, pre-vocational, tests, activities and vocabulary. This part describes materials and considers the specific ways in which they may be used in the instructional process. It describes some teaching techniques that can be used with individuals and groups.

The appendices provide a more detailed explanation of the RDP collection (those books available in multiple copies). A grid shows the categories of ESL materials and levels. This grid includes the titles of the materials and indicates the levels for which they are most appropriate. A bibliography and a list of publishers' addresses follow the grid.

This guide was written by the ESL consultants for the project: Karen Batt, Ellen Furstenberg, and Judy Reitzes. These three experienced ESL practitioners have taught ESL to adults for many years in a variety of settings and have faced the practical problems and dilemmas of teaching ESL. Karen has had the major role in the writing of the guide. She is experienced as a teacher, curriculum developer, and writer. Ellie has experience working and teaching in community-based programs and has taught all levels of ESL including ESL literacy. Judy has written curriculum for ESL literacy and taught pre-vocational ESL. All three have worked with multi-ethnic groups at the beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels.

The authors have written the guide with three purposes in mind: to explain the uniqueness of ESL students, to describe techniques that enable tutors to work more successfully with students, and to present examples of ESL materials that will be helpful to ESL instructors and their students.



# **ESL OVERVIEW**

nglish as a Second Language (ESL) or English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) is a special field within adult education with its own body of research, theories, methods, and techniques.

In the area of Adult Basic Education (ABE) and General Educational Development (GED) the students are native speakers or advanced ESL students. Their task, which is not an easy one, is to recognize and use the known language in print. They do not need help in understanding or speaking English. In fact, a literacy student who is a native speaker already has an extensive vocabulary.

ESL students, however, must learn each new word. They must learn to understand and speak American English. Simultaneously, they must think about fluency, pronunciation, and grammar. Then they have the double task of learning how to read and write in a second language.

Most ESL students in Philadelphia are faced with a new culture. They have left the familiarity of their own culture—sometimes against their will, as in the case of refugees—and are confronted with a new one. There is often cultural conflict, since their traditions may differ from those of the United States. Day-to-day experiences which native English speakers take for granted may seem confusing or overwhelming to ESL students.

Most ESL students, while experiencing the stresses of learning a new language and adjusting to a new culture, are also dealing with the same adult responsibilities and pressures many Americans face. These pressures include: finding and keeping a job; finding housing; and dealing with urban problems, such as crime, drugs, and living in poor neighborhoods.

The ESL class may be the first place that brings students into contact with an English speaker. The class or tutoring session can aid in breaking



the sense of isolation often experienced by immigrants or refugees. Therefore, providing an atmosphere of openness and trust in the classroom is essential.

Working in a small group, rather than one to one, is preferable in teaching ESL. A small group allows for more interaction among the students and more varied conversation practice. A group format takes the focus away from the teacher as the central figure. It can promote a more cooperative approach to teaching. However, if tutors are working one to one, there are types of supplemental activities for students which can further their practice. For example, tutors can perform role plays with students and assign out-of-class work that encourages students to go places where they will have to use the language practiced in class. Also, tutors can go places outside the class with their students. Going to a supermarket or restaurant can provide the kind of language practice that is not possible in a classroom setting. In this way students will have other people to speak to in addition to the teacher.

Most ESL programs include students who range in level of proficiency from beginners through advanced. Within each level students can also vary in their abilities. In addition, level designations will vary between programs. One program's high beginners may be another's low intermediate. For this reason, it is difficult to have an exact definition of each level. However, for the purpose of this guide the following is a description of what we generally mean when we refer to levels.

The beginning level includes ESL students who may be "true beginners"—those people who cannot speak or understand a word of English. Other beginners can understand a little and answer some basic words or phrases, such as: "How are you?", "What's your name?" and "What's your address?" There are also beginning students who do not speak or understand but are able to read written English.

A high beginner can understand and, in a limited way, use some basic structures and basic survival vocabulary. These students can use English in some situations, such as buying things, asking for information, and making appointments. Sentences are often incomplete, and students often hesitate as they try to find the correct structures or vocabulary.

Intermediate students can understand and express themselves in English. Mistakes in grammar are common, but these students can generally be understood. They can handle mest common "survival" situations. Listening comprehension is often incomplete; that is, some students find it difficult to understand English spoken at a normal rate when unfamiliar vocabulary is used or when the situation is unfamiliar.

Advanced students can express themselves with little hesitation and with a good deal of fluency. They can use most structures and understand more difficult vocabulary. They are often used as informal translators in their communities. They usually read some English; for example, they may read newspaper articles.



ESL students may also vary in their level of literacy in English, depending on their own native language literacy or familiarity with written symbols. The issue of ESL literacy is a special one and will be dealt with more completely in the section on ESL Literacy.

Listening, speaking, reading, and writing are the language skills usually taught in adult ESL programs. These skills are emphasized or combined to varying degrees depending on the needs of the adults being served. There are several types of ESL curricula. They may include one or more of the following:

- 1. General ESL—i.e. listening, speaking, reading, pronunciation, grammar, writing and coping skills
- 2. Vocational ESL (VESL)—language needed for a specific job
- 3. Pre-vocational ESL-English needed for any job
- 4. Academic ESL-college level English
- 5. English for special purposes (ESP)—i.e. engineering
- 6. ESL literacy

In summary, ESL is a special field where students are both being taught a new language and also being exposed to a new culture. What will work best has to be worked out with students, and that will vary depending on their background, levels, and needs.

### **APPROACHES AND METHODS**

ver the years various methods have been used to teach language. For many years language was taught by translating each word or phrase. However, by the post-World War II period, this approach was beginning to be replaced with the overall view that learners acquire language through practice in the target language rather than through translation.

The audio-lingual method became popular by the 1950's. It was characterized by presentation of oral language before written, extensive pattern practice through drills, and dialogue memorization. Students were not encouraged to say anything on their own. It was believed that their mistakes would become a habit.

In the 1970's, the audio-lingual approach was criticized for its tendency to concentrate too heavily on drills and to teach language out of context. Practitioners began to encourage real-life language practice and discourage an overabundance of drilled pattern practice. The need for students to make mistakes was accepted as part of language acquisition.



The new movement in language learning strived for *communicative* competence—the ability to understand and use language in specific situations, such as asking for directions, making appointments with doctors, and buying tickets. Recent methodology recognizes that it is not enough for students to know the linguistics of language (grammar and syntax). Students need to know when, how, and with whom to use language. They need to know when to use formal and informal language. Communicative competence implies the understanding of non-verbal communication as well as verbal.

Another approach which has generally been applied to adult literacy is the *learner-centered approach*. More recently ESL practitioners have seen it as useful and relevant to teaching ESL. With this approach, themes of reading, writing and discussion come from the students. Topics that are critical to students' lives are incorporated in the curriculum. Instead of the teacher's being the main focus, the teacher acts as a facilitator and participates in the group. She or he does not play the traditional role of expert.

Today, there are several methods which can be used in teaching ESL. Most ESL practitioners are *eclectic* in their approach and draw on several different methods, taking some positive aspects of each. Some practices have been retained from audio-lingualism, such as an oral focus through dialogues and the use of visuals. However, new methodologies now share more tolerance for student errors, and contain more practice based on real-life situations and increased student initiative.

Among the many methods in use are:

- Community Language Learning—This is also called Counseling Learning and reflects a concern for positive human relationships. Students initiate what they want to be able to say and the tutor or teacher is used as a resource.
- The Natural Approach—This approach has a strong focus on providing listening activities for students. Speech is never forced. Correction occurs only in writing assignments. Students tolerate a certain amount of language that has not been formally introduced.
- 3. Silent Way—Teachers speak very little, and time is provided for students to digest what they have heard. In addition, students must take the major responsibility for initiating oral practice based on the small bits of language being introduced by the teacher.
- 4. Total Physical Response (TPR)—This method concentrates on listening. In a long initial phase, the teacher talks the majority of the time. Students silently respond to command forms.

These are different methods that will enrich your teaching and you may want to explore them. They do require practice and are best learned through training at workshops and conferences which are sometimes offered by local organizations and colleges.

Every tutor or teacher will develop a style of working creatively with adult students. Those of us who have written the guide urge you to try your own ideas and materials as well as the ideas suggested here.



# ESL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

dult students come to their ESL class or tutoring session with considerable experience and knowledge. But often, they need time to become accustomed to the class or the utoring situation. Setting up an atmosphere where students feel comfortable, either in a tutoring or classroom setting, is one of the most important things we can do. Something as simple as having the students and teacher sit in a circle or around a table says something to the students immediately—they are part of the group. Even those who do not know English can say their name and where they are from by the end of the first class. The instructor also shares information. A community, a sense of group solidarity, is being built. It is important that the focus be on forming a cohesive group where the teacher is a part of the group.

Working in pairs and small groups of which the teacher is a part shows students that they can learn from one another. The fact that students see themselves as participants rather than passive recipients of information is critical.

The idea of learner-centered rather than teacher-centered education has generally been applied to adult literacy students whose native language is English, but the idea is equally important in the ESL classroom. In spite of the fact that students may not have the words, they can be resources to one another. Students who know more English can generate ideas and themes to be worked on in their lessons. When students discuss topics that they are interested in, rather than focusing on how they are constructing English, they speak better and learn more quickly. They worry less about English and can concentrate more on voicing opinions. For example, in a classroom discussion on AIDS, a student forgot her inhibitions about speaking English when she was talking about someone she knew who had died of AIDS. Her English became more fluent.

This learner-centered approach may seem difficult to implement in a tutoring situation. The important thing to remember is that the tutor and student can share as equals and build a cooperative relationship. The student's



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issues and interests can be incorporated into the tutoring session.

That is not to say that we as teachers or tutors do not or should not impart information or give explanations at times. Sometimes it is appropriate to give information, while at other times it is important for students to initiate and work with instructors and with other students.

The process, then, is as important as the product. The goal of setting up an atmosphere where students feel comfortable making mistakes is more important than producing grammatically perfect sentences or perfectly pronounced phrases. If students feel comfortable enough to take risks, they will be more able to do that cutside the classroom as well.

As instructors, we also need to be careful not to plan lessons or exercises that could put our students in difficult situations or make them feel uncomfortable. For example, if we are working on a matrix, an exercise in which students practice asking each other questions (explained more fully in the Conversation section of this guide), we need to be aware that we do not want to ask the question, "What's your social security number?" Our students may not be documented (have legal immigration status) and may not have social security numbers. Another example is in the area of pronunciation practice. Some students with difficulty in this area may not want to be singled out in front of the whole group to practice what is giving them trouble. In this case, it may be more effective to work with the student individually.

All students learn differently and at different rates. We as instructors must continually remind our students that it takes time to learn a language and we need to point out our students' progress frequently.

As instructors, we often find ourselves teaching in a situation where we have many different levels of students in the same group or class. Dealing with a multi-level group is one of the most difficult things we face. It takes patience and creativity. It is important to remind our students that every student has different strengths and weaknesses. Some students will be strong in the area of speaking and have problems with reading and writing, and others will have no problems with writing and have difficulty pronouncing clearly. Some students may become impatient in the group if they are more advanced or frustrated if they are less advanced. Explaining that everyone has strengths and weaknesses and building a supportive environment help students learn to be more tolerant of one another.

There are no easy answers in teaching multi-level groups. It is a difficult dilemma for even the most experienced tutor or teacher. Instructors must try different techniques, such as pair work, small group work, and individualized work for students. When students are working at different levels or rates of speed, tutors and teachers can sometimes give additional or more difficult work to the more advanced students.

ESL students have many pressures that we as instructors need to be sen-



sitive to and aware of when we are teaching. They are adjusting to a new culture and a new language, and many have economic pressures. Furthermore, many have the pressure of the loss of status when they come to the United States. They may have had a higher status in their countries or may have been respected in their communities or neighborhoods. When they come here they often have none of that.

Many of our students are dealing with the loss of family or friends whom they have left in their own countries. They also have the pressure of handling responsibilities at home, particularly if they are women. They must not only cope with their own sense of loss, confusion and insecurity but that of their families, too. If they are undocumented they feel an even greater pressure of fear of being deported or "found out."

Furthermore, many students may feel the pressure of loss of status within the family. Children may be translating for adults, parents, or even grandparents, which can set up painful role confusion and family tension. Seeing children assimilate and sometimes lose or reject their native culture and language is an additional stress.

It is helpful if we as instructors recognize and bring out the cultural richness and diversity we have in our classes. Even if our classes are made up of the same language group there is often considerable diversity. The classroom is a good place for students and teachers to learn about this. If we are tutoring, we also need to emphasize the rich cultural backgrounds of our students. In the classroom or tutoring situation, students can talk about, read about, and write about different aspects of their cultures and compare and contrast them with the culture of the United States. Something as simple as Halloween, for example, can be used as a way of talking about students' countries and cultures. Do they celebrate the holiday? Is there a similar holiday in their countries? Is there a holiday that is especially for children? Is there a time when people dress up in costumes?

One recurring issue is the use of the students' native language in the ESL classroom. It is important to remember that the translation is not the goal in an ESL classroom. However, if the teacher speaks the first language in a monolingual group, there are some situations where it is helpful to use the students' native language, such as in meeting with the new students, making announcements, and, occasionally, speaking in the classroom. Speaking the native language develops trust and makes the students feel more at ease.

However, the teacher needs to be sensitive if the group is multi-lingual. The use of the native language of some of the students can make the other students feel left out or not favored. That must be taken into consideration, and the teacher must judge her or his own group.

In bilingual programs where one language group is served, teaching subject or content areas in the first language while simultaneously offering ESL



instruction has proven particularly valuable. In Philadelphia, bilingual education is available in some places for children. Adapting the theories of bilingual education to ESL instruction for adults has begun in other parts of the United States. In the Southwest, West and New York where bilingual education is stronger and more accepted, adult students are learning literacy in their first language, while simultaneously, or soon afterwards, learning English. Regardless of whether the program is bilingual or monolingual, the curriculum of the ESL classroom or tutoring session should reflect the needs and interests of students. Besides providing instruction in basic skills or grammatical points, curriculum should emphasize intercultural understanding and diversity.

There is no one method that works and no one book that works. Most experienced ESL instructors are eclectic, trying different approaches and using different materials in the class. It is important to remember that there is no single book that teaches every skill students need. We must use many sources, adapting and developing materials appropriate for our particular students. It is also a priority to choose materials that help our students understand and cope with their lives in urban Philadelphia.

ESL students often face discrimination based on race, sex, and class in their lives. Even within the classroom or tutoring situation the instructors must deal with tensions and stereotypes, which differ among groups or nationalities. Moreover, students who have been successful in their own countries may face a drop in social status and may be working in low-paying, menial jobs where they face discrimination. Within the classroom the teacher must be sensitive to the fact that she or he may be from a different background, race, or socio-economic class from the students. Recognizing that fact, the instructor can set up an atmosphere where students feel free to talk about differences. This is an important step in dealing with what can be a big gap in understanding. We as instructors must try not to make excuses or be defensive. In addition, we must check that we are not forcing our conscious or unconscious values on our students. For example, we may feel that to be successful students should go to college. This idea of success may not be a value that is shared by our students. It is important to examine our assumptions and keep them in check.

As teachers, we should be conscious of the undercurrents of racism, classism or sexism and try to enable our students to talk about those issues. For example, in a classroom discussion about discrimination, a group of mostly Puerto Rican ESL students said that they felt no discrimination. When the teacher asked more specific questions, such as whether the students ever felt people were looking down on them because they were Puerto Rican or because they had accents, the students all agreed that this had happened to them. With more detailed questions, students opened up and talked about examples of racism they had experienced. The neacher needed to let the students know that she was not expecting a certain answer. The students may have initially said that they did not experience discrimination because the teacher was white and a native of the United States. They may have



felt that because of the race and class differences between the teacher and students, the teacher would be offended by a criticism of the United States. However, when the teacher asked more specific questions and let the students know that it was acceptable to talk about the issues frankly, a truer picture was presented by the students.

Just as racism and classism are issues in the classroom, so too is sexism. Students from other cultures may come to the class or to the tutoring session with ideas of what is appropriate or acceptable behavior between men and women. Such ideas may not be consistent with what is appropriate in the United States. For example, some women may not want to speak in front of men or work in a pair with a man. Male students may not be comfortable with a female teacher. These barriers must be recognized and worked on sensitively. If a woman student, for example, appears uncomfortable working with a male partner, the teacher should allow her to work with a woman. If the teacher does not insist that she work with a man, later in the year, after feeling more comfortable, the student may change and feel able to practice English in a pair with a man.

Finally, it is important to remember that our students are intimidated by the "red pencil", or overcorrection. Our students are adults. They can often correct their own work and then know what they, themselves, need to study. Often, correction of exercises can be done in the whole group. Students who wish to can take turns writing their answers on the board. All students can then check their papers, and correct their own work. In this way students see for themselves what they need to study.

It is not necessary for instructors to correct every error in speech or writing. It is more effective to correct only those errors in writing or speech that relate to what you are working on or what students have already studied with you.

Lastly, instructors need to remember and appreciate that working with adult students from different cultures is a unique experience. As well as teaching a new language and exposing students to a new culture, we as instructors are also learning and being exposed to new ideas, customs, and cultures that enrich and broaden our lives.



# ESL LITERACY

ometimes ESL students who want to learn English have limited or no literacy skills in their first language. Some can neither read nor write in their first language and some may do so in a very limited way. For the most part these students have gone to school for only a few years. Generally all have little confidence in their ability to read and write, they often have low self esteem, and they tend to downplay their abilities or strengths.

### DISTINCTIONS AMONG ESL LITERACY STUDENTS

Il ESL literacy students do not have the same problems. There are those students who have had very little education or barely read or write in their first language and who cannot read or write or speak English. These students are the most difficult to teach because they have no native language literacy skills.

In addition, there are those students who read or write a little in their native language, but do not speak, read or write English. They have some literacy skills in their first language and can therefore learn reading and writing in English more easily than the first group mentioned.

Finally, there are those students who speak English well or fairly understandably but have had limited education or literacy skills in their native language. Instructors can use these students' oral skills to help them learn to read and write English. For example, they can use the Language Experience Approach, a method in which students create their own stories and learn from them. This approach will be explained in more detail later.



### IDENTIFYING ESL LITERACY STUDENTS

n early way to determine if students will have problems with literacy is to ask some questions at the initial interview. It is best if the interviewer can ask the questions in the students' native language. These questions, however, can be asked in English if the students speak a little English. Asking how many years of school the students have completed in their native country and how comfortable they feel reading and writing in their first language is helpful in identifying these students.

An additional way to identify ESL literacy students is for the instructors to give students a simple form to fill out with personal information (name, address, and so forth) at the initial interview. This may be in their native language. The form should have lenty of space because ESL literacy students' writing is often very large. Many ESL literacy students will have difficulty filling out the form. Some will have problems forming the letters and may not be able to write on the line. They may not be able to complete the form if they lack understanding or knowledge of writing or reading.

Students with limited native language literacy skills often find it difficult to copy from the board. They may say they don't see well or have forgotten their glasses, when in fact, they have problems with reading and writing. When these students do write, instructors may discover that certain students do not hold a pencil or form letters correctly.

### TECHNIQUES AND CONCERNS IN WORKING WITH ESL LITERACY STUDENTS

nce identified, ESL literacy students need special help. Using large print material is helpful. Also, providing large amounts of space to write answers is useful, for such students usually have not had enough practice to write small. Those who need practice with their writing or printing can be given exercises for extra practice. Several books are available from the Reader Development Program which teach handwriting and printing.

It is useful to provide extra oral work or activities for ESL literacy students. After experiencing success with oral activities, generally students' self-esteem will increase enough for them to try to attack the more difficult reading and writing activities. In addition, the same oral activities can be turned into writing and reading tasks that students will recognize. Because they are already familiar with the activities, the exercises will be easier for them.



ESL literacy students should have enough time to do their work. Many of these students have not had much schooling and need extra time to do such simple tasks as copying from a blackboard or book. In a class of students with a range of literacy skills, it is particularly important to allow for differences in work speed. Giving ESL literacy students the time they need to copy and write will allow them to be successful in their work.

Following directions, especially written directions, is often difficult for ESL literacy students. Directions to written exercises should be thoroughly explained orally, with examples. The instructors should always try to pick up on non-verbal cues and to observe if students are beginning to work on the exercises after the explanation. Again, it must be remembered that these students have not had a lot of education and following instructions takes practice.

In addition, individualizing students' work is important with ESL literacy students. Although it is difficult in most ESL classrooms, where there are often many levels represented in one class, it is particularly beneficial to do this for the limited literacy student. These students are often confused by the regular reading and writing in an ESL classroom, even at the beginner level. To identify these students and give them appropriate work can make a big difference. Pairing or grouping students of the same level to practice different tasks can be supportive as well as effective for ESL literacy students.

Many ESL literacy students are not comfortable in a classroom setting or working with a tutor. Great efforts, then, must be made to set up a supportive learning environment.

# APPROACHES IN TEACHING ESL LITERACY STUDENTS

here are many different ways to work with ESL literacy students. Using a mixture of approaches is particularly effective. Doing this not only varies the lessons, but also keeps the students interested.

The Language Experience Approach is very useful for students who have some oral proficiency in English but have problems reading and writing. Students in the group discuss a topic or issue. Then the teacher transcribes what the individual group members say and a story is created. Students use their own words, and their own thoughts and opinions are made into a story. After the story is completed, students copy it. These stories can then be a basis for reading, writing, and oral practice.

According to the traditional Language Experience Approach, the grammar is not corrected in the initial story, for this inhibits students from saying what they want to say. Because ESL literacy students especially need to feel free to read and write, the original concept of the Language Ex-



perience Approach, where the instructor transcribes students' words exactly as they express them, works best. Today, however, some instructors have adapted the approach to accomplish other goals and practice different skills. Some teachers encourage students to participate in correcting grammar. This works best with students who have some grammatical background and who would not be intimidated by the correction process. Whenever the Language Experience approach is used, it is important to remember that the purpose of the approach is to enable students to express their ideas, and to use the students' own ideas and stories as the basis for instruction. In addition to being creative, students have an opportunity to experience, in a real way, their ability to discuss and write about complex issues even though their reading and writing skills may be limited.

In addition to the Language Experience Approach, another way of working with ESL literacy students is to choose exercises from a standard ESL text which are appropriate though not specifically directed to low literacy students. These exercises or stories can be enlarged on a photocopy machine so that ESL literacy students can read them better. Often, exercises may need to be adapted so that they can be used with low literacy students. Also instructors can create their own exercises, keeping their individual students in mind.

One useful book which also has the advantage of having large print is Survival English. (Books 1 and 2 are described more fully in the Coping Skills section.) It is appropriate for those students who read simple English. It uses repetition. Also, it provides varied exercises that give instruction on the same grammatical points so that students receive considerable practice. Exercises are divided into small parts so that students can practice discrete points. This is helpful for ESL literacy students who often need extra practice on particular lessons.

The phonics approach can be useful for some students, although it has definite limitations for the adult ESL student. If it is combined with other approaches it can help certain students. Practicing and identifying sounds can be beneficial. The words from a Language Experience story or another reading that have the same sound can be extracted by the group with the help of the instructor. The instructor then helps the students think of other words they may know in English that have the same sound. The particular sound then is practiced by students.

In the same way the instructor can practice word families. This is done by taking a word from a Language Experience story or a reading and having the students think of other words of the same family. For example, if the word "stamp" appeared in the Language Experience story, students might think of "camp", "lamp", "damp", "ramp", and so forth. If they do not know many of the words in the family the instructor helps them to supply more of the words in the family. Students then are using a word from their own story to learn word families.

Sight words can be practiced using the same techniques. Sight words par-



ticularly useful in daily life or words frequently repeated in readings, can be extracted from the readings or from students' speech and writing. These words can be the basis for lessons and further practice.

The phonics and sight word approaches, although useful, should not be overused, for they tend to separate meaning from content, and can be boring for the students.

#### MATERIALS FOR ESL LITERACY STUDENTS

ome educators believe that teaching students to read and write in their native language first is a more sensible approach than teaching students these skills in a second language. Students can then transfer those skills to English. However, the political and practical reality is that such training is not available in Philadelphia or in many other areas. Therefore, we as ESL tutors and teachers must try to develop or adapt existing materials in English appropriate for ESL literacy students.

For the most basic student, the instructors must use a lot of oral work. Pre-literacy skills are necessary for these students. They need exercises in visual discrimination. For example, they might pick out the "s" letter in a row of different letters which includes "s". The series **Entry to English** (described more fully in the Reading section) provides practice in some of these skills. At the same time, these students can practice printing or cursive writing, depending on their level. Practice with sight words and survival words is beneficial, as is identifying sounds. Learning to read and fill out simple forms is a good goal. Listening exercises are important, and such books as **Before Book I** (described more fully in the Listening section) can be used by students who do not know how to write.

For the next level students, those who read a little, such books as Survival English I and II can be used to accompany the classroom work or the work with the tutor. These students can read a little, so books with large print that provide considerable practice on the same grammatical points are particularly useful.

As was mentioned previously, for the higher level ESL literacy students, those who can speak but have limited education in their first language, the Language Experience Approach works well. Standard ESL texts can also be used, enlarging the print using a photocopy machine, adapting, and leaving out exercises that are too difficult for the ESL literacy student.

Review and repetition are crucial with all of these students. For the tutor or teacher, as well as for the students, it is important to remember that progress takes time. Therefore, small strides should be viewed as great accomplishments.



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## ESL CURRICULUM

The following sections deal with thirteen specific areas of teaching ESL. In most of the areas we make some general comments about the area and then recommend specific techniques or materials.

We have arranged the topics in the order of priority given by the results of the survey of local adult education programs and by the opinions of the ESL consultants as well.

## CONVERSATION

SL students often ask for extra practice in English conversation, and they do so with good reason. Many of them live in neighborhoods where their native language is widely spoken. Some even have jobs where they are surrounded by people who speak their first language. Therefore, they have limited opportunities to practice their English.

When they do speak to Americans, the situation is often filled with tension. Often the limited English speaker is asked to repeat time after time. When the limited English speaker doesn't understand something that is said, Americans often raise their voices as though the person had a hearing problem instead of a language problem.

In these interactions no one is comfortable, so it is little wonder that ESL students value the opportunity to practice in an atmosphere of calm, acceptance, and understanding.

In general, conversation techniques and materials fall into two broad categories—those which are more structured for the student and those which are less structured. It is profitable to use both, if possible, because different students have different learning styles. In addition, the structured materials offer psychological "safety"; they put less burden on the learner. On the



other hand, the less structured materials offer more personal involvement. They challenge the learner to draw on his or her resources and use them.

Structured activities are exemplified by dialogues, pattern practice, and substitution exercises. These are explained below. The student's attention is focused on only one or two new points at a time. A chapter in **Side by Side, Book One** illustrates this structuring. There are eight pictures of individuals and pairs doing things. The grammar being practiced is the present progressive tense. Under each picture are an incomplete question and answer about the picture. The names of the people and the activity being performed are supplied by the authors; therefore, it is a structured exercise. The following is the kind of exercise presented:

John and Mary	doing?
cooking dinner.	

The student is asked to focus only on the correct question word, "What" and the correct plural form of the verb, "are" in the question. In the answer, the student is asked to focus only on the correct pronoun and verb, "They're". The pattern is the present progressive tense, which is repeated in each picture. The student makes substitutions for the pronouns (i.e. he, she, we, they) and forms of "be" (am, is, are).

Another kind of structured activity involves having the student or class members memorize or read a dialogue. A dialogue is a conversation which shows how the target structure is used. The lines to be learned are supplied by the author. Dialogues are found in many ESL books.

The use of a matrix is another somewhat structured activity for tutor or teacher to use. The matrix is an extremely useful tool in teaching ESL at all levels, including literacy. It is a way for students to speak and share with one another, while at the same time practicing reading, writing, and listening. It is valuable in creating a comfortable classroom atmosphere. The following is an example of a matrix for a begining level group or student:

What's your name?	What are you wearing today?	Are you thirsty today?	Are you wearing socks?	Are you sitting now?
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Students ask each other the questions in the matrix and w to the answers



in the spaces provided below the questions. Students go around the room asking other students the questions provided and writing the responses. Depending on the students' literacy level and the goal of the matrix they can write words, phrases or complete sentences. For example, in response to the question "What are you wearing today?" the written answer could be "blue skirt, white blouse, black shoes", or "She's wearing a blue skirt, a white blouse, and black shoes." Students can also practice the "I" form and answer the questions for themselves. Such techniques can be used to practice a particular structure, to contrast structures, to practice using daily information, to talk about likes and dislikes, to emphasize cultural differences and customs, and so forth.

To practice a given structure, or review questions that have been learned, the instructor can give the students a blank matrix and students can make up the questions to ask one another. Students then not only develop the questions, but also ask them and write the responses. A matrix can also be used when teachers or tutors give only a cue. For example, the teacher writes the cue "Have you ever...?" and the students complete the questions on the matrix. Then they ask one another the questions they have developed. In addition, students can take a matrix and practice outside the classroom by asking questions of family members, friends or neighbors who speak English. Matrices can be found in some books, such as A Conversation Book: English in Everyday Life, Book I. They are also very easy to create without using a textbook. We recommend them for all teaching and tutoring situations.

A grid exercise is similar to the preceding matrix exercise, but it has some differences as well. The teacher or tutor chooses a structure to study. The purpose is to give the student or class practice in making positive and negative statements.

In the example below, the present tense is used. The teacher draws the following grid on a blackboard, flip chart, or paper large enough for all participants to see. She then chooses items which she thinks can elicit both "yes" and "no" answers.

#### Items in a Wallet

names of the students	a photo	a work 1D card	a library card	a driver's license
Maria	V	x	х	~
Thanh	-	~	х	х
Romeny	~	-	х	x
Juan	~	x	х	~
Karen (*he teacher's name)	10	х	1	V



The instructor then says, "Everyone look in your wallets. Maria, do you have a photograph of someone?" Maria answers "yes" and a check is put in the appropriate box. The teacher asks (or the students could ask each other) the rest of the questions until the grid is filled.

Then with the use of a pointer or a finger the instructor says, "Tell me about Maria," indicating the four boxes beside Maria's name. A volunteer will say (with prompting if needed), "She has a photo, but she doesn't have a work ID card. She doesn't have a library card, but she has a driver's license."

The instructor asks for another volunteer to tell about other people on the grid. After the statements are proceeding smoothly, she can say, "Maria, tell me about *you*." Maria will say, "I have a photo, but I don't have a work ID card" and so forth. The use of the other pronouns can be practiced in this way. "Someone tell me about Thanh and Romeny." Simultaneously she points to the boxes she wants practiced; for example, "They have photos and they have work ID cards, but they don't have library cards and they don't have driver's licenses."

The teacher is structuring the speaking, but on the other hand she is eliciting all of the speech from the students. The instructor is speaking very little, which is—in the opinion of many practitioners—a goal of a good teacher or tutor.

Later, this same grid can be used to teach and give practice with echo auxiliaries. These are the short forms of positive and negative agreement used in English, such as "So do I", "Neither do I", "I do too", and "I don't either". The instructor will give some models, explaining that this is a way we can say something long in a short way. For example, "Thanh has a work II card and so does Romeny" or "Romeny doesn't have a library card and neither does Juan".

Grids can also be used to practice any tense, modal (for example, can, might, must, and so forth) or structure, such as tag questions (i.e. "She has a driver's license, doesn't she?").

Less structured exercises are very different from the structured exercises explained above. They encourage students to recall what they already know. The teacher supplies the unknown elements only as needed.

The use of picture series is an example of less structured oral practice. A picture series is, as the name implies, a series of pictures (frames) which tell a story. The comics section of a newspaper is full of picture series. The number of frames in each may differ. If cartoons from the newspaper are to be used, the dialogue must be removed first and the same story (or, at least some story) must be clear without it.

There are several commercially-produced books containing picture series for ESL students. We recommend What's the Story? This series consists



of four levels of student's books and a set of four large wall charts which contain 12 separate four-frame picture series. They are black and white photographs. There is no printed dialogue with the pictures so they are a visual stimulus for speaking. The students' books each contain the same four-frame stories in reduced size. Book One (for high beginners or low intermediates) contains a written version of each story. The books at the other three levels offer a "fill-in-the-blanks" version of the stories. All four books contain reading and vocabulary exercises. Book 4 is only recommended for very advanced ESL students and, therefore, will not be included in the RDP collection. In each book, the stories are relevant and of high interest to ESL students.

Having the ability to make connected utterances is crucial to ESL students. If a friend or co-worker asks them, "What did you do over the weekend?" or if the police ask, "What happened?" about an accident, the person must be able to respond with more than one sentence. Picture series are an excellent way to encourage this process. They can be used in a multi-level class where the lower level students can learn from the higher ones. The instructor or a student chooses a series to study. If wall charts are available, they should be hung in front of the class. If not, each student should have an individual copy of the whole picture series.

If the class is at the lower intermediate level, the instructor can begin with a warm-up activity. He or she will point to some of the noun items in the picture and ask students to call out the words, i.e. "a man, a briefcase, a lawyer, a hall, a woman, a window." The instructor will then say, "Look at picture one. This story happened last week." The past tense is stressed since it is often needed to tell a story.

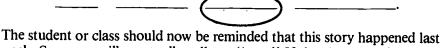
The instructor should already have in mind a rough idea of how the story should progress. Anything the students call out is acceptable as long as it reflects comprehension of the story line. The instructor will focus on one student's version at a time, but will try to use ideas from everyone who participates. Students should not be forced to participate. They will probably be willing to speak at a later point in the exercise.

The lesson will proceed. For example, as someone calls out, "man talking," the instructor will put on the board two lines to represent the two words just suggested:

The student is asked to repeat. As he says "man" the instructor will point to the first line and likewise to the second line for "talking." Correction is handled in the following way: the instructor then will point to the men in the picture and ask, "How many?" A student will volunteer "Two." The instructor will indicate the "man" line again and someone will correct with "men." The next step will be to draw a line before the "men" line. The instructor will point to it and question with her face. Someone will supply,



"the." Next a line is drawn between the "men" and "talking" lines and is circled.



The student or class should now be reminded that this story happened last week. Someone will eventually call out "were." If the class contains all or some intermediate level students, the instructor can expand by further questions, such as "Where are they?" Eventually, "in the hallway" will be suggested (although the instructor may have to supply the noun if they do not know it). The utterance has now been expanded.



It can be expanded as much or as little as the instructor thinks the group or individual can handle. The primary point to be emphasized is that everything possible is elicited from the students. Structures that the instructor might not have thought the class could handle will emerge naturally (i.e. couldn't, didn't, had to, and so forth). And the structures will be comprehensible because they are based on the content of the pictures.

In a group situation, the members will supply the majority of the words, helping each other. They learn to rely more and more on each other and themselves and less and less on the instructor, thus becoming independent, which is a goal of ESL instruction.

When the first picture is finished, different students (the more advanced students first to let the less confident students hear it several times) are invited to "Tell me about picture one." The speaker will be relying on the picture and the lines the instructor has drawn. Nothing will have been written on the lines yet.

After various individuals have had a chance to describe picture one, they are asked to tell about picture two, and the same procedure is followed with the second picture. At this point, there are lines only; the line representing the past focus is circled by the teacher.

After most of the participants have achieved some fluency with picture two, they are asked to describe pictures one and two together. The same procedure is followed with picture three separately and then in sequence with the first two pictures. Finally, the fourth picture is learned, and the student or individuals in the class practice telling the entire story in sequence. This practice could be done in pairs as well as in a group setting. Learners would use the lines on the board and the pictures as cues. It is usually advisable to encourage the more advanced level learners to tell the story first, which gives the beginners or low intermediate level learners time to hear it and assimilate it.

The next step is to remove the lines, either by turning the board around



or by erasing them. At this time as at previous times, if the speaker falters, allow him or her a little time to think. If he or she cannot remember, others can supply the missing word or phrase. While perfection is not the goal, the exercise needs to be practiced until the past tense or other important grammatical points are included in the student's narration.

At each step, as the story increases in length, the students show a mixture of doubt in their ability and excitement at the challenge. They will be able to handle it because they have had adequate practice after each picture. And when they tell the whole story, their pleasure at their own achievement is evident and rewarding to the students as well as to the instructor.

If the lines were erased previously, students are asked to tell the story again while the instructor draws the lines again. The final step is to invite volunteers to go to the board and write by filling in the lines about each picture.

Three important goals are met with this technique.

1. The instructor speaks a minimal amount.

2. The students are provided maximum opportunity to speak.

3. The students depend more on each other for help in English and less on the teacher, which is, after all, like life outside of the classroom.

What's the Story? can also be used in a variety of other ways. The wall charts or large pictures can be used as a way of practicing speaking to introduce the reading in the students' books. The teacher or tutor can ask the students to look at the pictures and describe what they see either to the group or in pairs. This type of brainstorming encourages students to speak uninhibitedly and develops self-esteem. The students are participating as active contributors to the group. Depending on the level of the group or student, the instructor can make up different guide questions to reinforce and practice what has already been introduced in the class. With a high beginner or low intermediate level group or individual student, these guide questions may be "Tell me about\_\_\_\_\_" "What do you see?" "What are\_\_\_\_\_doing?" "Where are they?" With a higher level, the question can be "Tell me about \_\_\_\_\_\_" "What do you think they might be saying?" "What will happen next?" "What happened?" The pictures can be presented out of order and after looking at each one, the students can be asked to decide on the sequence of the pictures. Once the students have put the pictures in order, a student or several students can volunteer to tell the story in her or his own words.

Another means of promoting oral practice is to initiate free conversation. This can work well in a tutoring situation or class with intermediate or advanced students. Conversation may connect to a reading or come from the students' interests. Pay attention to what your students talk about to each other or to you before class, during break, or after class. These issues



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can make the best topics for conversation in class. You can prepare conversation questions or have the students prepare them in pairs or groups.

Students can interview each other on certain topics and then report back to the whole group. It should be remembered that students will be more likely to participate if the topic interests them.

As students speak, correction should be offered judiciously. The goal is to build confidence; we do not want students to avoid speaking because they are afraid of making a mistake or being corrected. We need to budget our corrections. In particular, we should aim for those errors which are shared by many.

ESL authors have produced many conversation books. The task of making a good selection is consequently difficult. The RDP ESL consultants reviewed many conversation materials and found positive qualities in many of them. The books described below are recommended.

Side by Side (Books 1 and 2) is a popular series we highly recommend for providing grammar-based conversation practice in a structured medium. These books offer clear examples of conversations or short dialogues focusing on one grammar point at a time. Students look at illustrations which follow the conversations and respond by supplying the new structure from their understanding of the picture. The content is close to real-life situations. Side by Side can be used with groups or pairs and with beginning, intermediate, or advanced students.

Expressways 1 is another suggested material for real-life conversation practice. A sequel to Side by Side, it can be used with high beginners or low intermediate students and is arranged by topics, such as social occasions, communication, transportation, housing, shopping, and employment. The guided conversations are followed by substitution exercises. Students create their own conversation at the end of each lesson. A highlight of Expressways is the range of characters presented in the dialogues. There are people of different ages, occupations, and ethnic groups.

Expressways Foundations, a more simplified version of Expressways 1, follows Expressways 1 page-for-page. It can be used with beginning level students. Foundations presents model conversations of everyday situations followed by exercises.

## COPING SKILLS

oping skills (also known as survival or life skills) are those practical things we all need to do in daily life. Most coping skills activities fit well into a competency-based curriculum, that is, a curriculum designed to help students with practical needs. The goal is usually to ac-



complish specific tasks (i.e., tell the doctor where it hurts, understand the business hours of a store by reading the sign) rather than to worry about correct grammar.

All four language skills—speaking, writing, listening, and reading—are required. It is important to be clear about what skill is needed for what situation. For example, if the tutor or teacher is teaching the class how to read the information on a bottle of prescription medicine, some pills or teaspoons should be ready for demonstration. The culmination of this lesson would be to have students read different labels and select the right number of pills and indicate the times to be taken by manipulating a clock or identifying a picture of a meal. Speaking is not the goal in the learning of this particular skill—reading is.

Some examples of necessary speaking skills are the following:

- 1. To state name, address, and other personal information
- 2. To describe a medical problem
- 3. To ask for directions
- 4. To ask the price of an unmarked item

Some examples of listening skills are as follows. These only require an appropriate physical response, not an oral one:

- 1. To give correct money when told a price
- 2. To follow directions given
- 3. To show understanding of time when spoken (i.e. point the hands on a cardboard clock to the time spoken by the instructor)

Some examples of reading skills are:

- 1. To understand signs on stores indicating business hours
- 2. To understand clothing and food labels
- 3. To look up a phone number
- 4. To understand a time schedule
- To understand how to take prescribed or over-the-counter medicine

Some writing skills are as follows:

- 1. To fill out a form
- 2. To address an envelope
- 3. To fill out a money order or check
- 4. To write a short personal note

Most coping skills books contain dialogues and exercises. After the dialogues have been practiced, they can be conducted as role plays for lower level ESL students. There is such a variety of coping skills materials available that sections which teach the same subject, such as going to the doctor, can be extracted from different books and used to reinforce one topic.

We recommend the series Lifelines (Books 1 and 2) for the teaching of



coping skills. While there are four books in the **Lifelines** series, we are including only the first two, which will meet the needs of high beginners to low intermediates. The topics include transportation, food, restaurants, clothing, housing, and so forth.

The approach of the books is competency-based; that is, the students are taught useful phrases to accomplish specific tasks, such as asking someone for change or asking if this is the bus for Camden. Two games follow each even-numbered chapter. One is a game of "Concentration"; the other requires matching sentences with pictures. The games are designed to be photocopied and cut into pieces for playing.

Survival English 1 and 2 (beginners to low intermediates) cover such coping skills as community resources (i.e. police, post office), filling out forms, health, and so forth. Each section has vocabulary and short dialogues followed either by pictures used for substitution drills or by written exercises. Book 1 is very basic.

### LISTENING

uring the last few years, the teaching of listening skills has finally been getting the attention it deserves. Many ESL students have great difficulty understanding Americans in everyday situations. There are various ways to approach listening improvement. One way is to use a picture series which has been used previously for oral practice. After students have finished their oral lesson, the instructor can make some statements about the pictures using words already known to the students. The students will identify the number of the picture about which the instructor is speaking. The instructor might say, "The lawyer and his client were sitting in the courtroom." The students will say, "Number 3." They don't need to say any more than that; they need only indicate their comprehension.

When this kind of exercise becomes too easy, a few unknown words can be added into the sentence. In this case, students will use what they know as a context clue to understanding something new.

Another opportunity to teach listening can occur after a reading passage has been read aloud. The instructor makes statements and the students write "True" or "False" on their paper. This kind of activity can be used with all levels.

Performing tasks in response to listening activities is another way for students to demonstrate their understanding. For example, after the instructor has taught a lesson on giving directions, everyone is given a map. The students are told where to begin; then directions are given to see if they can get to the intended destination.



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Another aspect of listening is related to the pronunciation of natural American English. When students find out about sound reductions (i.e., "to" becomes "ta"), omitted sounds (i.e., "Give 'im the book"), elisions (i.e., "Don't you" becomes "Doncha"), they are very surprised and begin to comprehend why it is so difficult for them to understand Americans.

The book Whaddaya Say? covers these kinds of spoken forms. It is very important that ESL students have the opportunity to learn how most Americans speak in everyday situations. Whaddaya Say? combines teaching the pronunciation of 22 commonly used reductions ("wanna", "gonna", "whaddaya" and more) and listening. Each unit presents the reductions for students to listen to and repeat. The instructor can model the example or students can listen to the tape and repeat. A dialogue follows using examples of reduced forms. Each dialogue has examples of the forms in context. Students listen to the dialogue two or three times and fill in the missing words or phrases. Again, the dialogue can be read by the instructor or played on the tape. Whaddaya Say? can be used with low intermediate or intermediate students.

Listening activities can be worked into grammar lessons, also. After several tenses have been taught (i.e., past, present, and present progressive) a hand gesture is assigned to each tense. For example, a thumb over the shoulder will indicate past; a hand moving from side to side in front of the person will indicate the repeated activity of the present tense; and a forefinger pointing straight down in front will indicate the "now" meaning of the present progressive tense.

The instructor will prepare a list of statements and questions using the three tenses randomly. After each one is said, the students indicate with hand signals which tense they understood.

There are often misunderstandings between native English speakers and limited English speakers about time, as expressed by tenses. The following scenario could easily occur at work. The supervisor demands to know, "Why did you change that? I told you before that we already changed it!"

The /d/ sound of "ed" in "changed" is a very subtle one and difficult to hear; therefore, it must be taught. Likewise, the other two sounds of "ed" (/t/ and /əd/) must be taught. Then the drill with the gestures explained previously can be used as described below.

Explain that the difference between the present tense and past tense is very important. The former usually indicates a repeated action and the latter indicates a completed one. The sound indicating this difference, however, is difficult for ESL students to distinguish. The tutor or teacher will say base forms (infinitives) and their regular past tense forms (ending in "ed") randomly. The listeners will indicate their comprehension with the appropriate present or past gesture.



The aforementioned activity is the same as a discrimination drill which will be described in the Pronunciation section. In the latter section the numbers 1 and 2 are used instead of gestures. Here, however, the goal is to understand the tense the speaker is using, whereas, in the Pronunciation section, the goal is to help improve the student's pronunciation by first assuring that she or he can distinguish the sounds aurally.

Total Physical Response (TPR) is a whole method of teaching English (or any language) based solely on providing a long initial phase of listening. The instructor gives commands (politely, of course) like "Stand up, sit down, go to the door". This method is based on the theory that people learn a second language in a similar fashion to the way they learned their first language as babies. For the first few years, babies listen to those around them and observe their actions. They seem very passive, but really they are taking everything in and processing all of the input. After a period of processing, the babies begin to speak.

We also recommend **Before Book One**, From the Start and Listen to Me! as good listening books with useful exercises.

**Before Book One**, designed for beginners and low literacy students, supports the idea that developing listening comprehension skills is necessary before developing oral skills. This book can be used with students who have heard little or no English. The exercises focus on having students demonstrate their comprehension of numbers, times, clothing, and body parts. Students exhibit other comprehension through non-verbal responses.

From the Start is for beginners. Each word or phrase is represented by a photo in the text. Useful language is presented including numbers in the context of money and phone numbers and also arrival times and gate numbers at an airport. The introduction clearly explains the format of the book.

Listen to Me!, for high beginners, offers excellent listening comprehension practice within a real context. Units are well organized around a narrative. A full page illustration appears before each unit to introduce the theme. This book provides adult topics for beginners while using limited vocabulary and basic structures. The narratives are written in the back of the text so they can be read if the tape is not available.

## READING

The goals of conducting reading activities in the ESL class are:

- 1. To improve comprehension
- To show new readers and remind those who read in their own language that they can derive enjoyment from reading in English



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3. To demonstrate how reading can help students meet daily needs like reading store signs, medicine labels, and other practical information.

Most of the books we recommend help achieve the first goal. They include excellent suggestions to the instructor. They also have exercises to help develop comprehension skills. They provide pre-reading warm-up activities. These kinds of exercises stimulate the reader to focus on what he or she already knows about the forthcoming subject and to relate the information to his or her personal life, if possible. For example, if the subject is going to be the relationship of a mother and her teenage children, the instructor might start off by asking:

- 1. Who has teenage children?
- 2. What are some of their problems?
- 3. When you were a teenager, how did you act toward your parents?

Such pre-reading activities are so important that instructors should prepare them for any materials which do not provide them. If there is a picture preceding the reading, students can be asked to describe what they see. The picture can give clues to help readers predict the content of the reading. Such pre-reading activities improve reading comprehension.

Most of the books we recommend contain guide or preview questions which help the reader predict what the reading will be about. To test comprehension, there are true and false questions about the factual content, and there are inference questions to develop this skill of reading between the lines.

There are also other kinds of comprehension questions. Some ESL books which we did not recommend use only inversions of statements that appear in the reading passages. The students are instructed to answer in complete statements, and the resulting responses are stilted. For example, a question might ask, "Does the woman have three children?" The expected answer is, "Yes, the woman has three children?" Instructors are encouraged to use a variety of materials to teach reading comprehension, rewriting exercises where necessary so that they are as useful as those in the recommended books.

The following are examples of good questions for getting students to demonstrate their comprehension using natural language. For example: "Tell me about the landlady." This appropriately requires an answer in a complete sentence. The student could answer: "She lives with a friend. Her husband is dead. She has no children." The exercises also present "or" questions which usually require a complete sentence answer also. For example: "Does she live alone or with someone?" "She lives with a friend."

Instructors would be well-advised to use these kinds of questions when preparing comprehension questions for other reading materials because the



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answers they require indicate whether a student really comprehends a reading passage or has merely learned to parrot the words.

In addition, in the recommended books important vocabulary words and idioms or expressions are highlighted and exercises are provided to reinforce their retention. Students should be encouraged to use context clues before resorting to a bilingual dictionary or asking the instructor.

Finally, the recommended books include interesting oral and written discussion questions. This integration of oral and written activities into reading lessons will keep the lessons lively and will enhance comprehension. If the reading books being used do not have such an integration the instructor can use the reading as a springboard for discussion, writing, or listening activities of his or her own devising. Such exercises are not sidetracks; they are means by which we add to the students' knowledge and understanding.

There are many interesting reading books currently being published for ESL students. Only a few are recommended here. We have had direct experience with some of these books and know that the content engages students' interest very successfully. By choosing high interest adult materials, we help achieve the second goal of reading activities for ESL students—that of allowing our students the chance to enjoy reading English.

No Hot Water Tonight (for high beginners to low intermediates), for example, has characters and situations to which most adults can relate. Students from countries thousands of miles apart have recognized the "Mrs. Gold" character—the good-hearted older woman who watches the street from her window and knows what everybody is doing and when. Everyone can relate to the problems of a single working mother trying to handle a resentful, rebellious teenage son. The chapters dealing with renting an apartment and getting repairs made are of universal interest. The chapter about the young single working women who go to a singles' bar is another favorite and gives students a slice of real urban American life.

Good Days and Bad Days (for high beginners to intermediates) deals with personal feelings in situations common to all newcomers—taking the wrong bus and getting lost, using English on the telephone for the first time, experiencing frustration in the ESL class. After using this book, the instructor will notice a deeper rapport with students resulting from the process of admitting that we all—tutors, teachers, and students alike—have similar feelings whether we express them or not.

True Stories in the News is another highly recommended selection (high beginners to low intermediates). It contains short and amusing readings of human interest. Each story is preceded by a clear black and white photograph accompanied by pre-reading discussion questions. There are other excellent exercises for vocabulary expansion, comprehension, discussion and writing. These stories, adapted from magazines or newspapers, provide enjoyable



readings for adult students.

**Spaghetti, Again?** (high beginners to low intermediates) is set in a small Pennsylvania town. The story depicts the ups and downs of a widow coping with her loss, her own goals, and trying to raise three good-natured, sometimes quarrelsome teenagers. Pre-reading exercises enhance the students' familiarity with the themes about which they will be reading. There are also comprehension and vocabulary activities.

For adults who cannot read at all in English and/or their native language, we recommend the use of the series Entry to English, Books 1-4. The Teacher's Guides for each level are necessary; they include instructions for presenting the material. The format of each book is very simple, unclutered, and easy to follow. The series begins with learning numbers and printing the alphabet. It then progresses to pre-literacy skills followed by phonics exercises. There are also coping skills presented at a very basic level. These skills include understanding the calendar; telling time; filling out a form; and understanding prescription labels, doctors' appointment cards, and the names of various jobs.

The third goal, mentioned earlier, of helping students read to meet daily needs is met in part by the coping skills content in **No Hot Water Tonight**. This book includes chapters on hunting for an apartment, renting an apartment, asking the landlord to make repairs, buying on the installment plan, being admitted to the hospital and other topics. The coping skills books, which are recommended in the Coping Skills section, help meet the other practical reading needs of ESL students, such as understanding signs, labels, and schedules.

## **PRONUNCIATION**

any ESL students have a need to improve their pronunciation. It can be a very serious problem for some. There are countries, such as India and the West Indies where much of the population speaks English but with an accent different from an American accent. When people move to the United States from these countries, they are sometimes unsuccessful at obtaining jobs which deal with the public, such as secretarial positions, because of their accents.

Regardless of their native country, many people with high level skills like doctors and psychiatrists often do obtain employment. However, they frequently come under criticism from patients who claim they cannot understand the doctor because of the accent. In universities, teaching assistants from other countries have received complaints from students and even negative publicity in the newspapers for the same problem of unclear pronunciation.



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For those people just learning English as a Second Language, achieving clear pronunciation is one more hurdle added to understanding, grammar, vocabulary, idioms, word order, and fluency.

Pronunciation can be taught specifically as a whole lesson or as the need arises. In regard to teaching whole lessons we recommend the book **Speak Up**. It would be appropriate for students around the high beginner to low intermediate level. It contains both pronunciation and listening activities.

The pronunciation activities in **Speak Up** deal with consonant and vowel sounds, stress, intonation, and reduction of sounds. The last three items are explained in more detail below. The listening activities involve the students in answering several multiple choice comprehension questions after listening to conversations on the tape (or read by the instructor from the tapescript).

Pronunciation lessons can be taught on the spur of the moment also. It is better to wait until a pronunciation problem arises spontaneously. If a brief interruption of five minutes or so would not disrupt the flow of the lesson, then the instructor can stop and do a short pronunciation lesson.

To help instructors design effective lessons, we offer the following principles and suggestions. Before someone can pronounce a sound correctly, he or she must be able to hear it. ESL students will often pronounce two different words the same way. When it is called to their attention, they say, "I can't hear the difference!" If students hear the difference, their chances of pronouncing words correctly are improved. In addition, their understanding of American speech will be enhanced.

The following is an illustration. The students are trying to say "might," but it comes out sounding more like "mate." And since several students are having the same problem, it is a good time to stop. The main problem is with the vowel sound in the middle. The instructor will put the following on the board (or paper) and do a discrimination drill. A discrimination drill is used for a word or sound being pronounced in such a way that it sounds like another word or sound.

1	2
might	mate

The instructor will say, "I will talk. You will only listen. Don't talk. If you hear 'might' show me one finger. If you hear 'mate', show me two fingers. Before I begin, listen. (The instructor points to #I and models it for them and then does the same with #2.) Now we'll begin."

Then the exercise proceeds. The instructor calls out one word or the other at random, and the students will put up one or two fingers. They should be discouraged from calling out the number. The use of fingers gives the instructor the best chance to see which people are having the most trouble



hearing the sounds. The instructor can see if people are just looking around and copying the others. If the exercise is kept light and fun, the participants will be willing to risk making a mistake. If the trouble persists, the instructor can pronounce the words clearly again and repeat the drill.

The two words being used are called minimal pairs. Only one sound is different between them. Other minimal pairs can be employed but (in this case) the two middle vowel sounds must be kept the same, for example:

Mike—make sight—sate fight—fate mile—male

The same kind of discrimination drill is conducted with the other pairs. The instructor should not get diverted into explaining the meanings of the words. If someone asks and it is easy to explain, the instructor can go ahead, but it is better to say, "Don't worry about the meanings. Just think about the sounds now."

Minimal pairs can be done with short sentences, too. For example, in natural speech, the "h" of "he" is dropped in the question, "What's he doing?" The "s" is elided (combined with) the remaining "e" sound. Some students can't distinguish the differences between that question and "What's she doing?" The two sentences can be written on the board in the same way as the other minimal pairs. The tutor or teacher will explain about the elision and omitted "h" sound and will proceed with the discrimination drill.

What's he doing? 2
What's she doing?

The other aspects of pronunciation that an instructor should be concerned with are stress, intonation, reductions and the aforementioned elisions.

During any oral lesson, the instructor will come upon one or more sentences over which students are stumbling. One is chosen and written on the board. For example:

He went to the other bank.

The student or class is asked, "Which words get the stress?" The first time, they may not understand what is meant. The instructor will add, "Which words do we say strongly?" ("Strongly" is emphasized with a strong hand gesture. After this kind of exercise is practiced a few times, they will know just what to do.)

Different people will begin to guess. The instructor puts a stress mark on the words as they get it right. It is surprising how often they do get it right.

He went to the other bank.



Then the instructor will call attention to the fact that the words that do not get stressed are usually reduced in sound. In other words, the sounds get smaller. For example, "to" becomes "ta."

Next, the class is asked if native speakers slide any words together. (A gesture is made of joining the fingertips of the two forefingers together). This is an elision, although the students do not need to learn the technical word. As the students call out where the elisions are, the instructor marks them on the sentence.

Finally, the instructor asks, "What is the intonation of your voice? The first few times she or he can add, "Do we go up or down?...Where?" If nobody knows, the instructor will indicate with a line, the upward and/or downward intonation:

The class should be told that generally the intonation goes up at the end of Yes/No questions and down at the end of statements, "wh" questions (what, where, when, and so forth) and "or" questions, i.e., "Do you want coffee or tea?"

If this kind of exercise is done regularly, the students will become very good at learning the tricks of English pronunciation. It is always better to try to draw the answers out of them if possible. They will be heard mumbling the sentence to themselves and that is the goal. They are trying to monitor their own pronunciation and to figure out how it should sound. The exercise is finished by saying the sentence normally and letting them repeat it.

This technique should be practiced at home until the tutor or teacher is comfortable. Native speakers of English do these things correctly without thinking. It is just a matter of consciously focusing in this new way.

We recommend Whaddaya Say? as the text which can be used to teach some of these skills. It reveals the mysteries of "Whaddaya (What do you...) "D'ya" (Do you...) "gonna" (going to – future) "wanna" (want to) "haf ta" (have to) "give'im" (give him) and so forth. It is important to note that it is not imperative that students say "gonna" and "wanna." If they choose to, that is fine. But it is essential that they understand these forms when they hear them.

Some instructors may worry that they are teaching incorrect English. In fact, they are teaching natural English used by even the most educated Americans in all but perhaps the most formal situations. If there are still doubts, the tutor or teacher should monitor herself and a friend when talking. Unless they are unique, they both speak with these same reductions, elisions, and omissions.

To increase fluency, there is a technique called a backward build-up. After



going through the aforementioned steps, the instructor will say the last word of the sentence and gesture for the class to repeat as outlined below:

				b	ank.	(They re	peat.)
Now model:							" >
				other	bank.	( "	")
Next:							
			the	other	bank.	( "	")
Continue step	by step:						
-	_	to	the	other	bank.	( "	")
	went	to	the	other	bank.	( "	")
He	went	to	the	other	bank.	-	")

Doing the sentence backwards helps keep the stress and intonation correct. The process is repeated a few times until the speakers are saying it smoothly. This technique can be used on any sentence with which students are having trouble. It might be useful, for example, in helping students pronounce a difficult sentence in a dialogue.

## WRITING

any instructors have questions about the place of writing in the adult ESL class. They wonder if writing should be a priority and what kind of writing should be taught. One way to find out is to ask students in what situations they need to be able to write.

We have divided writing into two categories:

- 1. Some people will have practical writing needs, such as the ability to fill out forms.
- 2. Some people will need to be able to compose. These compositions could vary from short personal notes (i.e. a thank you note or an explanation of absence to the ESL teacher or a child's teacher) to essays, research papers, and reports in academic situations or white collar jobs.

Practical writing needs, such as filling out forms, addressing an envelope and filling out a check or money order can be met by using coping skills books (see the section on Coping Skills). An instructor can also develop specific lessons to meet the stated needs of his or her students.

In regard to composition, we offer the following considerations and recommendations of materials. Many ESL books include written exercises. These are very helpful to students who remember things better when they write them. Exercises also provide material for home study and review. However, writing exercises should not be confused with compositions.

Some books are called composition books (i.e., controlled composition) but they deal mainly with grammar, which is only one aspect of writing. Other writing books emphasize sentence combining and other manipula-



tions of sentences or phrases. These may be helpful to some students, but if the goal is to teach real composition, then materials will be needed which deal with organization, topic sentences, paragraph writing, supporting detail, different styles of writing such as comparing and contrasting, and so forth.

Idea Exchange I, for high beginners and low intermediate students, presents 10 units of pre-writing, pre-reading activities, illustrated readings written by students, exercises, writing instructions, and post-writing activities. Students learn to do journal writing. They use personal topics as subjects for their compositions. Pair work is strongly encouraged.

If class time is limited, then writing is probably a lower priority than speaking, listening, and reading. However, the following are some suggestions for generating writing activities. The Language Experience Approach has been described in the ESL Literacy section. To use this approach the student or class dictates a story, perhaps about a recent class activity or other event, and the instructor transcribes it. For beginners, the teacher does not correct. However, as the members of a low intermediate class dictate and leave out a word the instructor will put a line where the missing word would go in the sentence and ask what should go there. This is a particularly good activity for low intermediates.

Some instructors encourage their students to keep a daily journal. Practitioners vary in the amount of correction they do. The main goal is to overcome writing blocks and get people writing. In their journals, the students should write from 5 to 15 minutes and not worry about correctness. The goal is to get the ideas and words flowing. They can write about anything, and their confidentiality should be respected.

Students can write from the information on a grid or matrix they have been using in class. These activities are explained in the Conversation and Grammar sections. Likewise, if reading material has produced some interesting discussion, learners could be asked to write about the issue. They can do the writing in class, but it is preferable to have them write at home. Class time can be devoted to areas where a teacher's immediate input is needed.

There are many ways to handle correction. Some practitioners use symbols in the margin representing the kinds of errors—for example, subject and verb agreement, spelling, or verb tense. Others believe it is better to focus on one or two major recurring errors rather than to overwhelm students with the quantity of errors that will inevitably be there.

## **IDIOMS**

dioms (including two or three word verbs) present one of the last stumbling blocks to getting the hang of English. Some students may be catching on to grammar while others are thrown for a loop. They may be



getting a handle on pronunciation. New vocabulary may be sinking in, but if the students do not get idioms, they may get on their teacher's nerves and the latter may blow her stack.

Native or near-native speakers of English had no difficulty understanding the previous paragraph. The aforementioned idioms and hundreds more are taken for granted. They are used in everyday speech and newspapers. But ESL students feel very perplexed by them initially.

After some months of sorting out the basics of English, lower intermediate students can begin to profit from studying idioms. Naturally, the more advanced level students can integrate idioms more easily into their prior knowledge.

Idioms are ways of saying things which can always be said without an idiom. For example, we can say, "He got the hang of it." But we could just as well have said, "He understood it." So while our students can say the latter, it will take them a long time to be able to say the former—the idiom. Indeed, some people never develop the confidence to use idioms orally.

There are many idiom books available, some organized in unique ways, but all offering much the same format. There is a dialogue containing the target idioms followed by various written exercises. These exercises should be done orally as well as in writing.

The majority of idiom books neglect teaching the skill of being able to understand spoken idioms. Tutors and teachers will therefore need to develop their own exercises. For example the teacher can assign a simple word as a synonym to each idiom being studied (i.e. get the hang of something-understand). The pairs are written on the board. The instructor will make up some sentences using the idioms, and will say them out loud. The student will write the synonym to demonstrate comprehension.

We recommend **Idioms in American Life** for low to high intermediate students. Of the many books reviewed, it has the clearest format and best choice of idioms. The content is up-to-date. Each lesson has a dialogue using the idioms. There are fill-in-the-blanks, definitions, and personalized question and answer exercises. **Essential Idioms in English**, already in the RDP collection, is appropriate for the higher intermediate to advanced levels.

## GRAMMAR

There are conflicting views about the value of teaching grammar. Some practitioners believe it is an orderly way to learn a language. It is hoped that once the learner has been armed with the rules of a language, he or she will be able to apply these rules to new situations.



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Other experts in the field urge ESL instructors to eliminate or at least place less emphasis on grammar. Practitioners are urged to use the more accepted approaches, such as those which expose the students to heavy doses of listening (Total Physical Response) or require the student to master various functions, for example, apologizing and asking for clarification (the functional-notional approach).

But many ESL students, especially those who have previously studied English in traditional classes, request grammar. When this happens a portion of class time can be used for teaching grammar rules and the pages of written exercises can be assigned for homework.

During class time, the other skills can be taught with a grammar focus. The matrix and grid exercises described in the section on Conversation can be used to teach one structure at a time. Two of the books recommended in that section, **Side by Side** and **Expressways**, are grammar-based. The instructor may wish to draw attention to the grammar taught in these books by explaining the rules on a more conscious level, because the teaching of grammar in these books is very subtle. Many students fail to grasp the further applicability of the grammar presented so this, too, could be emphasized by the teacher. The Conversation section of this guide also demonstrates how **What's the Story?** can be used to emphasize the past tense and other structures.

In the Listening section, we suggested using a discrimination drill between the base form and "ed" past tense endings of regular verbs. In this way, the students can aurally distinguish between the present and past tense.

l learn	2 learned	
1 kiss	2 kissed	

Additionally, it could be useful to practice with minimal pair sentences where only the verb is different.

l learn English.	2 I learned English.
1	2
1 kiss him.	I kissed him.

A discrimination drill could be designed around the future tense with "going to."



I'm going to school.	I'm going to go to school.
l'm going to a restaurant.	2 I'm going to eat.

Another example of a listening activity based on grammar could be done on the future tense with "will." The contracted form is difficult for ESL students to hear. It can be contrasted with the base form which indicates the present tense. Two examples follow:

l'll go there.	2 I go there.
1	2
I'll see her.	I see her.

Writing assignments can be designed around various grammar points. For example, after students have practiced describing a picture series in the past tense (as outlined in the Conversation section) the instructor can ask the class or individual to write the story. Also in the Conversation section, we described the use of a grid to guide the oral production of a particular tense or other grammar point. In that example, the students are practicing the present tense with the verb "have" and are telling what they have or don't have in their wallets. After they have had adequate time to practice orally, the teacher can direct the students to write a paragraph about the contents of her or his own wallet and those of a classmate. Maria's paragraph might look like this: "In my wallet I have a photo of my family, and I have a driver's license; I don't have a work ID card, and I don't have a library card. Thanh has a photo of his wife, and he has a work ID card. He doesn't have a library card, and he doesn't have a driver's license."

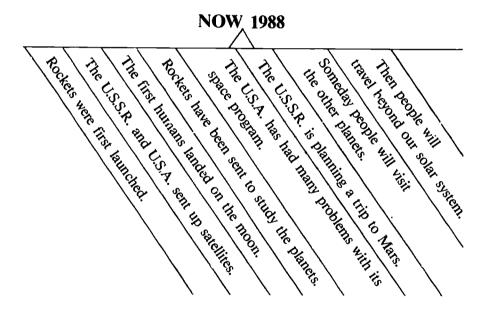
Controlled composition texts or assignments can also be used to combine writing and grammar. First, a reading is presented. Then the student is instructed to change the gender or number of the characters or to change the tense or to make various other changes. By changing the gender of the main character, for example, other changes in subject, object, and possessive pronouns must also be made accordingly. The following is an example: "Mr. Abbott went to the school at 3:30 to pick up his son and daughter. He got there early so that he could see them when they came out."

Instruction to the student: Change Mr. Abbott to Mrs. Abbott. The student will write: "Mrs. Abbott went to the school at 3:30 to pick up her son and daughter. She got there early so that she could see them when they came out."



Reading exercises can be designed around a specific grammar point. Students can be instructed to read a passage and identify and list all of the object pronouns or comparatives or past tense verbs (regular and irregular) or future tense and so forth.

A time line activity can be used when a reading passage is appropriate. The practitioner prepares a time line (as shown in the example which follows) and draws a number of diagonal lines to match the number of events selected for the activity. "Now" is indicated in the appropriate place. This sheet is then copied and distributed to the class members. The events to be used will also be listed although not in chronological order. The students are then instructed to write the events on the diagonal lines in the correct chronological sequence according to the passage. Their ability to do this activity will depend on their firm grasp of the various tenses used. For example, the sentences with "will" must be placed to the right of the "now" point.



In the area of grammar we are recommending Books 1, 2 and 3 of the series, Grammarwork, which actually consists of 4 levels. The first 3 can be used with beginners through advanced students. We like the clear and concise format. Each page gives a short grammatical explanation followed by oral and written practice. There is another section included in each unit, "Make It Work", which applies the grammatical forms to a more personalized situation. For example, after an exercise using the past tense, students are asked a series of questions about their first job. This book allows for group, pair, or individual instruction. Exercises can be taught in order or as needed. Answers are given in the appendix. Grammarwork goes well with other series, such as Side by Side or Lifelines.



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### PRE-VOCATIONAL

In the past, pre-vocational texts usually concentrated on how to get a job — reading want ads, using an employment agency, and having a job interview. While these skills may still be useful to teach to students, recent research indicates that many ESL students get jobs through their network of friends. Perhaps for this reason, the more recent pre-vocational materials concentrate on the language skills needed for keeping a job and for obtaining promotions.

These language skills are often called "language functions." Some examples are: asking for clarification when someone has said something, asking for help, getting someone to explain an error, apologizing, and making small talk. These language functions cut across all jobs — white collar and blue collar.

Teaching language functions is an example of a communicative competence approach. The focus is not on grammar. Rather it is on whether the workers can get their supervisors to clarify the instructions so the workers can successfully complete their work (communicative competence). The alternative is that they shyly, silently do what they think the supervisor may have said. This often results in criticism, anger from the boss, or even getting fired.

It is our recommendation that pre-vocational ESL students also receive a well-rounded general ESL program; otherwise, learning the language functions would be like trying to memorize a phrase book. For this reason, most pre-vocational ESL books are aimed at those students who are above the beginning levels.

Many language functions are culture bound. The American supervisor would much prefer that the worker ask for clarification rather than waste time doing a job incorrectly and have to do it again. But in the student's country this might not be the appropriate thing to do, or the person may simply feel shy about speaking English. ESL students must be helped to understand these cultural facts as they apply to language functions.

In addition, learners need to know how to socialize comfortably with their co-workers. They need to learn how to talk about the weather and inquire about a co-worker's family or weekend activities. These are also culturally bound language functions.

People from other countries, moreover, need information about workplace safety, unions, company policies, and discrimination or other unfair labor practices.

One book we recommend is **Speaking Up at Work.** Its format is very clear and it is easy to follow. This low intermediate to intermediate book teaches pre-vocational language functions and information needed on any



job, such as calling in sick, offering help, getting work checked, safety, and benefits. There are many exercises moving from controlled responses to role plays using natural language.

Another recommended book is **ESL** for Action — Problem Posing at Work. Besides describing language functions, it contains information on such topics as immigration and workers' rights, and provides opportunities for learners to relate to issues personally as a step toward making change. These activities are based on theories of Paolo Freire, the famous Brazilian educator.

### **CITIZENSHIP**

ften, there are people in an ESL class who want to prepare for the United States citizenship examination. Some of these people may have a genuine interest in understanding American history and the workings of the American governmental system. They are also under pressure to "pass the test."

A Handbook for Citizenship is a very practical, goal-oriented book to help people pass the citizenship examination. The text includes thirty of the most frequently asked questions as well as pertinent descriptions of government. There are exercises after each unit.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service examiner asks the applicants questions which must be answered orally. The applicants are asked to write only a sentence or two in simple English. Most of the practice, therefore, should focus on understanding and answering the questions.

Students who are interested in a more thorough knowledge of United States history and government may be given any of the selection of books on these subjects in the RDP collection. It is also recommended that all ESL students, as they become U.S. citizens, be encouraged to vote and be given information about voti y registration and procedures.

## **TESTING**

esting can be used for placement, diagnosis, and progress. If an ESL program has many classes and levels, then it is important to make sure that the placement testing is done consistently. For example, if different people administer a test, they should administer and grade it by the same standards. Testing should, ideally, be done by someone who knows English well and knows what constitutes an acceptable answer.



The placement test should also be short so the student is not frightened away. Also, if a person is having trouble with the test he or she should not be forced to complete it. The experienced tester will probably be able to tell where such a student should be placed.

Placement tests should reflect the curriculum for the planned class. For example, if the class emphasizes conversation, then an oral test should be administered, not a written one.

An oral placement test which uses pictures and has the person tell a story in the past, in connected sequence, is usually very revealing of what that person can already say. For example, experienced testers listen for connectors, such as "After that...", and the use of the past tense or lack of it. Good placement testing will make the classes more satisfying for the students and tutors or teachers.

Tests used for diagnosis help to identify what the student already knows and what he or she needs to study. A wide variety of tests are available to diagnose student needs, but in general, it is preferable to avoid standardized tests and use, instead, informal measures of student needs.

When a test is used to measure progress, it is important that the test reflect what has actually been covered in class. Tests should not be given too often. The students can correct their own tests as the instructor gives the answers. The latter can walk around and look at their results. This is my help eliminate the feeling of pressure and competition.

We would urge programs to use a minimum of progress testing. For adults who have had negative schooling experiences as children, tests conjure up bad memories. Listening, reading, writing and even oral activities in class will give the instructor many opportunities to monitor a student's progress. Therefore, unless a program requires giving a grade or keeping strict records, testing should be kept at a minimum.

## **ACTIVITIES**

ctivities are games or exercises used to change the pace of classroom or tutorial study. They should be fun and different from the usual routine. They are not used for teaching new skills; rather, they are for practice and reinforcement of previous work.

For good ideas for activities, we recommend Games and Butterflies. It organizes activities by language skills — listening, speaking, and so forth. Any of the numerous activities can be adapted to reflect the need of a tutoring session or class at a particular time. Tenses can be changed, for example, or activities made easier or more difficult. If time is a problem, students can be enlisted to help do the work involved in preparing a game.



These activities are a good way to review a lesson. They should be done in the spirit of fun. Many students really enjoy them. Their involvement and enjoyment are obvious. Fun, not competition, should be the aim of activities.

One suggestion for a beginner's class is the card game "Concentration". Using index cards, stick figures are drawn on each card representing the present progressive tense; there are 2 identical cards for each action. Each student turns over 2 cards and describes them, for example, "He's cooking. He's running...Different." The next player turns over two cards trying to find two which are the same.

Another suggestion is a form of bingo called "Verb-o" because the cards (enough for one for each player) are covered with irregular past tenses and base forms (infinitives) of verbs.

Once instructors have had some experience with activities, they and their students may want to invent their own games.

## **VOCABULARY**

ome practitioners recommend that little time should be spent on teaching noun vocabulary. Students can do that on their own in many ways. For example, they can use a bilingual dictionary, ask a friend, and so forth. Students need the instructor and class time for the more difficult things — for example, verb tenses and listening exercises.

Other practitioners teach a lot of vocabulary, especially to beginners, in the context of structures or coping skills. They teach, for example, the parts of the body in the context of a structure like "My leg hurts." During the practice, other parts of the body will be substituted for "leg." It is important to make the meaning of vocabulary clear with pictures or realia (real things) when vocabulary is taught in a class or tutoring session. Most practitioners agree that the teaching of lists of vocabulary words should be avoided.

When teaching a picture series, the instructor supplies new vocabulary (nouns, verbs, and other parts of speech) as they are needed. It has been found that people remember best the words which they need to know.



## **CONCLUSION**

teaching ESL, suggestions for creating a comfortable atmosphere for students, and ways of identifying and working with ESL literacy students. We have also included a description of recommended materials and specific ways in which they may be used in a classroom or tutoring situation. We hope this guide will help you in your specific teaching situation and give you encouragement to build a supportive learning environment for you and your students.



## APPENDIX 1

#### READER DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION

The Reader Development Program of the Free Library of Philadelphia provides materials written on the eighth grade level or below to individuals and organizations in Philadelphia that are teaching basic reading skills and ESL skills to adults. The materials are primarily in paperback and are provided on a consumable basis for use with out-of-school adults and young adults who are 14 years of age or older. Workbook materials may be written in by the student. Materials are provided in quantity to non-profit organizations doing Adult Basic Education (ABE) and English as a Second Language training. In order to receive free materials, eligible borrowers must be Philadelphia residents or individuals paying Philadelphia taxes.

The opportunity to see the collection of recommended ABE and ESL materials (over 500 items) is available to adult educators and ESL specialists from any location. Interested individuals may call the Reader Development Program for an appointment to inspect and evaluate the RDP Demonstration Collection.

The grid in Appendix 2 displays the ESL books we have recommended for inclusion in the Reader Development Program Collection. The books recommended as a result of this project are in **bold print**. The intersection of the skill area and level should be consulted to find appropriate materials for ESL students.

RDP purchases multiple copies of all recommended materials. Based on the level of funding, these books will be available to eligible individuals and programs in Philadelphia. Local programs should call the Reader Development Program to check on the availability of materials and to make an appointment to see the materials.

Some ESL materials have accompanying tapes. The Reader Development



Program regrets that it cannot provide these tapes due to financial constraints, but interested individuals and programs may purchase tapes from the publishers. Materials in this curriculum guide can all be used without tapes. Some include a tapescript which tutors or teachers can use to do the speaking themselves.

Instructors choosing new books for their students should keep the following information in mind. In our choices of materials, we purposely did not select many advanced level books because ESL programs served by RDP do not teach many students at the advanced level.

We urge those who are choosing materials to be aware of another issue concerning the level of a book. Practitioners who know their students (or have a clear idea of the level of new students) should examine books carefully with the students in mind. Instructors should imagine how they would present some of the lessons and whether the lessons would be appropriate for their students.

It is important not to be misled by the level claimed by the book itself. The authors' ideas of a particular level might be quite different from the same level in the tutors' or teachers' programs.



# APPENDIX 2



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	Beginner (illiterate)										Before Book One			Entry to English	DAS. 1-4		Laubach Way	to English ESUL
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		Improving Your Handwriting (cursive)					
	IDIOMS				Idioms in American Life-Es Es Idioms	Life————————————————————————————————————	
	GRAMMAR			Grammarwork Bk. 1 English Step By Step with Pictures	<b>B</b> k. 2	- Bk. 3	
	PRE-VOCATIONAL				Speaking Up at Work	ESL for Action	
	CITIZENSHIP				A Handbook	A Handbook for Citizenship	
	ACTIVITIES	Games and Butterflies	Sutterflies				
	VOCABULARY	Oxford Picture Dictionary of American English					·
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# **APPENDIX 3**

## BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CURRICULUM MATERIALS

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- A Conversation Book: English in Everyday Life Book 1, sec. ed., Prentice Hall, 1985.
- The Emergency English Workbook and Emergency English: A Handbook for Tutors. Martha A. Lane. Kendall/Hunt, distributed by Sun Belt Literacy, 1982.
- English Step by Step with Pictures, rev. ed. and English Step by Step with Pictures Workbook. Ralph S. Boggs and Robert J. Dixson. Prentice Hall Regents, 1980-3.
- Entry to English: English as a Second Language. Books 1, 2, 3 and 4 plus Teacher's Editions 1, 2, 3 and 4. Kathleen Kelley Beal. Steck-Vaughn, 1982.
- **ESL for Action-Problem Posing at Work**. Elsa Roberts Auerbach and Nina Wallerstein. Addison-Wesley, 1986.
- Essential Idioms in English, new rev. ed., Robert J. Dixson. Prentice Hall Regents, 1983.
- Expressways: English for Conversation 1. Steven J. Molinsky and Bill Bliss. Prentice Hall, 1988.
- Expressways: English for Conversation-Foundations. Steven J. Molinsky and Bill Bliss. Prentice Hall, 1988.
- From the Start: Beginning Listening Book 1. Jann Huizenga. Longman, 1987.\*



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- Good Days and Bad Days. Maybeth Conway-Cassidy and others. Developed and published under a Health and Human Services grant to the New Jersey Office of Adult Basic Education, Department of Education, n.d.
- **Grammarwork: English Exercises in Context.** Books 1, 2, and 3. Pamela Breyer. Prentice Hall Regents, 1982.
- A Handbook for Citizenship, rev. ed., Margaret Seely. Alemany Press, 1980.
- Handwriting Workbook: Manuscript. Walter B. Barbe. Zaner-Bloser, 1977.
- Idea Exchange I. Linda Lonon Blanton. Newbury House, 1988.
- Idioms in American Life. Julie Howard. Prentice Hall, 1987.
- The Immigrant Experience-Interactive Multiskill ESL. Dennis Johnson and Joan Young. Prentice Hall Regents, 1987.\*
- Improving Your Handwriting: Imaginary Line Handwriting Series. Rebecca Mae Townsend. Steck-Vaughn, 1978.
- Laubach Way to English-ESOL plus Teacher's Manual; illustrations for Skill Books 1 and 2; Skill Books 1 and 2. Jeanette D. Macero. New Readers Press, 1977.
- Lifelines: Coping Skills in English. Books 1 and 2. Barbara H. Folev and Howard Pomann. Prentice Hall Regents, 1981-2.
- Listen to Me! Beginning Listening Comprehension. Barbara H. Foley. Newbury House, 1985.\*
- Looking at American Signs: A Pictorial Introduction to American Language and Culture. Jann Huizenga. Voluntad, a subsidiary of National Textbook Co., 1985.
- No Hot Water Tonight, 2nd ed., Jean Bodman and Michael Lanzano. Macmillan, 1986.
- Oxford Picture Dictionary of American English, Monolingual Edition. E.C. Parnwell. Oxford University Press, 1984.
- Side by Side: English Through Guided Conversations. Book One and Book Two. Steven J. Molinsky and Bill Bliss. Prentice Hall, 1980-1.\*
- Spaghetti, Again? A Beginning Reader in English. Jean W. Bodman and Judith B. McKoy. Macmillan, 1988.



Speak Up: Beginning Pronunciation and Task Listening. Cheryl Pavlik. Newbury House, 1985\*

Speaking Up at Work plus Teacher's Guide. Oxford University Press, 1985.

Survival English: English Through Conversations and Survival English: English Through Conversations, Book 2 plus Teacher's Guides 1 and 2. Lee Mosteller and Bobbi Paul. Prentice Hall, 1985.

True Stories in the News. Sandra Heyer. Longman, 1987.

Whaddaya Say? Nina Weinstein. Prentice Hall, 1982\*

What's the Story? Sequential Photographs for Language Practice. Books 1, 2 and 3 and set of wall charts. Linda Markstein and Dorien Grunbaum. Longman, 1981.

\* Contact publisher about purchase of tape(s).



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# APPENDIX 4

# **PUBLISHERS**

Addison-Wesley Publishing Company World Language Division Reading, MA 01867 (617) 944-3700

Alemany Press 2501 Industrial Pkwy. West, Dept. PR 62 Hayward, CA 94545 (415) 887-7070 (800) 227-2375

Delta Systems Co., Inc. 570 Rock Road Dr., Unit H Dundee, IL 60118 (312) 551-9595 (800) 323-8270

Kendall/Hunt Publishing Co. see Sun Belt Literacy, Inc.

Longman, Inc. 95 Church St. White Plains, NY 10601 (914) 993-5000

Macmillan Publishing Co. 866 Third Avenue New York, NY 10022 (800) 257-8247

New Jersey State Department of Education Office of Adult Basic Education Box CN 305 Trenton, NJ 08625 (609) 588-3153



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New Readers: Press 1320 Jamesville Avenue, Box 131 Syracuse, NY 13210 (315) 422-9121 (800) 448-8878

Newbury House Publishers 54 Church St. Cambridge, MA 02138 (617) 492-0670

Oxford University Press ELT Order Dept. 200 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10016 (212) 679-7300

Prentice Hall, Inc. Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632 (201) 767-5937 (800) 223-1360

Prentice Hall Regents (same as above)

Steck-Vaughn Company P.O. Box 26015 Austin, TX 78755 (512) 476-6721 (800) 531-5015

Sun Belt Literacy, Inc. 1401 SW Topeka Blvd. Topeka, KS 66612 (913) 234-2806

Voluntad National Textbook Co. 4225 West Touhy Avenue Lincolnwood, IL 60646-1975 (800) 323-4900

Zaner-Bloser 2300 W. Fifth Avenue P.O. Box 16764 Columbus, OH 43216-6764 (614) 486-0221



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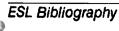
Reader Development Program The Free Library of Philadelphia Logan Square Philadelphia, PA 19103 (215) 686-5346

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This ESL Bibliography was produced through the efforts and time investment of many people.

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The RDP Book Review Committee for 1988-89 helped to evaluate many new titles since the publication of the ESL Curriculum Guide and included the following librarians: Libby Blackman, Sandy Farrell, Karen Schwartz, Chris Steckel, and Howard Zogott.



This ESL Bibliography is a materials selection guide for the many ESL tutors and teachers in Philadelphia. It describes the ESL instructional books available from the Reader Development Program. The highest priority is given to those instructional materials which can be used easily by volunteer tutors, the general public, and literacy and ESL students.

Using Act 143 State Adult Literacy Funds from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, the Reader Development Program has been able to expand and enhance the availability of ESL materials. As a result of this Act 143 project, the importance of publicizing the many new ESL titles became apparent.

This ESL Bibliography is an outgrowth of the earlier ESL Curriculum Guide project funded by a Library Services and Construction Act Title VI grant in 1988. During the period of the grant three ESL practitioners reviewed over 500 ESL titles and recommended more than 35 for purchase by the Reader Development Program. As a result of that project the ESL Curriculum Guide was written by the three ESL specialists: Karen Batt, Ellen Furstenberg, and Judy Reitzes. A bibliography was included in that tutor resource publication, but it was not annotated and did not contain reading level indicators.

All of the instructional materials selected for inclusion in the Reader Development Collection must be on the eighth grade reading level or below. The grade level is calculated using the Gunning Fog readability formula. (See Robert S. Laubach and Kay Koschnick, Using Readability: Formulas for Easy Adult Materials, New Readers Press, for methods of calculation.)

However, the ESL specialists protested the RDP use of the Gunning Fog Index. They maintain that the Gunning Fog readability level is not appropriate or even informative for ESL materials. As a compromise, both the reading level and ESL level are indicated for each title. At this time no exact formula is available to determine the ESL level, so opinions of experts may vary.

Some ESL materials have accompanying tapes. The Reader Development Program purchases only print materials, but tapes are being considered if financial support permits. Materials in this bibliography can be used without tapes or the tapes can be purchased from the publisher. Most of the books do include tapescripts in the book if they are needed to supplement the text.



## READER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

For over twenty-two years the Reader Development Program (RDP) of The Free Library of Philadelphia has identified, reviewed and purchased literacy instructional materials for adults learning how to read. Since its beginning in 1967, RDP has elected to provide support for the literacy and ESL organizations in Philadelphia rather than to duplicate them.

Once the educational materials, all written on the eighth grade level or below, have been selected, they are available in quantity to instructors and tutors. Books are also loaned to individuals for self-study. The materials are consumable; they need not be returned. Almost all of the items are in paperback and many are workbooks.

The Reader Development Collection has a diversity of Adult Basic Education (ABE) and ESL books for adult new readers. The categories include Leisure Reading, Biography, Community and Family Life, Jobs, Reading and Writing, Arithmetic, Science, Religion, Social Studies, and Tutor Materials. Some GED study books are also available for the high school equivalency exam.

Although many of the instructional ABE books in the RDP Collection may not be useful for ESL students, some of the easier titles in such categories as leisure reading could be helpful for intermediate and advanced ESL students. As a result, ESL tutors are encouraged to evaluate the entire RDP Demonstration Collection in addition to the ESL titles selected for this bibliography.

The materials from the Reader Development Program are available only to adults and young adults who live or work in the City of Philadelphia. Also, not all organizations in Philadelphia are eligible for these services. Public schools, for example, are not eligible. However, the Reader Development Demonstration Collection, which contains a single copy of each of the books in this **ESL Bibliography** as well as the ABE and GED titles, is open to anyone by appointment. Please call 215-686-5346 for information.

The Reader Development Collection is located in the Office of Work with Adults and Young Adults, The Free Library of Philadelphia, Logan Square, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.

The Reader Development Program's goal is to identify, provide, and recommend literacy instructional materials to support the teachers and tutors working to fight illiteracy in the City of Philadelphia.





From Outside of Philadelphia: Individuals and organizations outside of Philadelphia should order all materials directly from publishers or book distributors. Refer to the list of publishers and distributors on pages 27-28.

Within Philadelphia: Philadelphia residents or others working with a Philadelphia organization are eligible to order free materials from the Reader Development Program of The Free Library of Philadelphia. The program is funded for this purpose by the City of Philadelphia, the Mayor's Commission on Literacy, the Pennsylvania Department of Education, and other funding sources.

Individuals and organizations that are eligible may receive RDP materials that are available on a consumable basis. In other words, these free materials do not have to be returned to RDP. Some of these items are workbooks which students may write in for study purposes.

Eligible RDP users may request materials in three ways:

- 1. Three book titles may be ordered by telephone (686-5346) Monday through Friday, 9 to 5, when RDP staff is available.
- 2. Book titles may be ordered by mail using an order form which must be requested from the RDP Office.
- 3. Books may be ordered by scheduling an appointment in person to examine the RDP Demonstration Collection. This allows the person to see the actual book and secure up-to-date information regarding out-of-stock and in-stock titles.

Orders are filled on a "stock available" basis. If titles are out-of-stock, they must be reordered at a later date. No back order files are currently maintained by RDP.

Materials which are ordered by eligible users may be picked up at any of the over 50 neighborhood branches of The Free Library of Philadelphia; see pages 29-30 for a list of branch locations. Also, on request, materials may be picked up at the Reader Development Program, Office of Work with Adults and Young Adults on the lower level (Room 2) of the Central Library at Logan Square in Philadelphia. This process takes approximately 2-4 work days depending on the RDP workload.

All RDP users are encouraged to visit annually the RDP Collection — which includes ABE, GED and ESL materials — to consider the new acquisitions added on a regular basis. However, because of limited space all visits must be arranged in advance by calling 686-5346.



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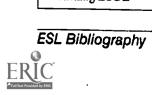
## ESL SKILL LEVEL CHART

	Beginner- Illiterate	Beginner	High Beginner	Low Inter- mediate	Inter- mediate	Advanced
CONVERSATION		,				
Conversation: Book 1					_	
Expressways: Book 1						
Expressways: Foundations						
Side by Side: Books 1-2						
What's the Story: Books 1-3						
COPING SKILLS	·	_				
Emergency English						
Immigrant Experience						
Lifelines: Books 1-2						
Looking at American Signs						
Survival English: Books 1-2						
LISTENING						
Before Book 1						
From the Start						
Listen to Me						
Whaddaya Say?						
READING						
Entry to English: Books 1-4						
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No Hot Water Tonight						
Spaghetti Again?						

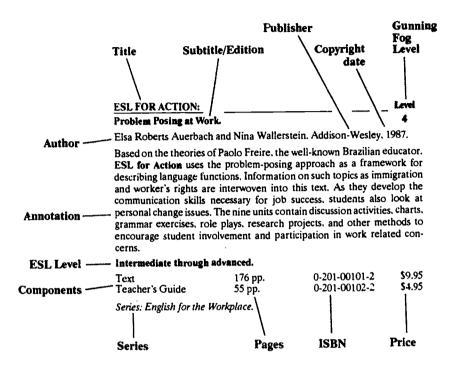


## ESL SKILL LEVEL CHART

	Beginner- Illiterate	Beginner	High Beginner	Low Inter- mediate	Inter- mediate	Advanced
READING (continued)						
True Stories in the News						
We're All in the Same Boat						
PRONUNCIATION						
Speak Up						
WRITING			•			
Idea Exchange						
Improving Your Handwriting					,	
Zaner-Blosser Handwriting Workbook						
IDIOMS & VOCABULARY						
Essential Idioms						
Idioms in American Life						
Oxford Picture Dictionary of American English						
GRAMMAR				1		
English Step by Step with Pictures						
Grammarwork: Book 1-3						
PRE-VOCATIONAL						
ESL for Action						
Speaking Up at Work						
CITIZENSHIP					1	
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Games and Butterflies						
Teaching ESOL .						



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#### A CONVERSATION BOOK:

Level

English in Everyday Life. Second Edition.

3.5

Tina Kasloff Carver and Sandra Douglas Fotinos. Prentice-Hall, 1985.

Filling the almost insatiable need of English as a Second Language classes for conversation books, this volume of exercises on practical topics such as family, food, housing, jobs, and health will be most useful with students who have some knowledge of spoken English. Lessons can be taught in any order, and instruction may be individualized. This is a much better than average book on the topic.

## High beginner through low intermediate.

Book 1

164 pp.

0-13-172362-6

\$9.50

#### **EXPRESSWAYS: BOOK ONE.**

Level

Steven J. Molinsky and Bill Bliss. Prentice Hall Regents, 1986.

This book is geared to students who already know the fundamentals of intermediate grammar. Designed for practice, review, and reinforcement, the text depicts everyday situations in comic pictorial sketches. Primary emphasis is on guided conversational English with corresponding sections on grammar and usage. Lively and fun for experienced ESL students.

## High beginner through low intermediate.

Book 1

224 pp.

0-13-298423-7

\$9.00

Series: English for Communication.



#### **EXPRESSWAYS: FOUNDATIONS.**

Level

Steven J. Molinsky and Bill Bliss. Prentice Hall Regents, 1988.

The dialogue method used in this book teaches competencies such as how to express satisfaction or dissatisfaction, likes and dislikes, and other guided conversation topics. The format is clear and easy to use. The illustrations are imaginative, humorous, and designed to hold the attention of the learner. There are some open-ended exercises that invite the student to participate in creating a learning situation based on personal experience.

## Beginner through high beginner.

Text

228 pp.

0-13-297722-2

\$9.00

Series: English for Communication.

#### SIDE BY SIDE.

Level

Second Edition.

00

Steven J. Molinsky and Bill Bliss. Prentice Hall Regents, 1989.

This grammar-based ESL book uses real-life situations, multi-ethnic illustrations, and a sense of humor to teach conversational English. The four-color format is dramatically appealing since most ABE or ESL instructional materials have only black and white illustrations. Even without this upgrade, the series is a popular one used widely by ESL practitioners. Highly recommended.

## Beginner through advanced.

Book	1
Book	2

156 pp. 138 pp. 0-13-811076-X 0-13-811241-X \$8.00 \$8.00



#### WHAT'S THE STORY?

Level

## Sequential Photographs for Language Practice.

Linda Markstein and Dorien Grunbaum. Longman, 1981.

This series, at graduated levels of difficulty, helps students develop speaking and writing skills using black and white picture stories. Many of the four frame photographic depictions portray highly charged emotional issues such as jealousy over a new baby, the loss of a job, or a couple quarreling. The learning activities include scrambled sentences, vocabulary practice, Cloze exercises, and multiple choice comprehension checks. Wall charts may be purchased from the publisher or the reduced size pictures in the back of each book may be used.

## Low intermediate through advanced.

Student's Book 1	45 pp.	0-582-79783-7	\$5.50
Student's Book 2	44 pp.	0-582-79784-5	\$5.50
Student's Book 3	48 pp.	0-582-79785-3	\$5.50
Teacher's Guide	44 pp.	0-582-79787-X	\$6.95
Wall Charts	• •	0-201-75042	\$49.50



#### **EMERGENCY ENGLISH:**

Level

#### A Handbook for Tutors.

Martha A. Lane. Kendall Hunt, distributed by Augsburg Fortress, 1982.

This handbook and its accompanying workbook, written by an experienced tutor-trainer, provide background, lessons, and lesson plans for ESL instruction. The 25 logically constructed, informative workbook lessons are followed by 50 short pattern-practice drills that can be used independently or with the workbook to build the skills of new speakers of English. Emergency English, subtitled A Handbook for Tutors, gives essential information for ESL teachers in four brief chapters that include topics such as characteristics of English, culture, and writing a lesson. The body of the book consists of outlines and teaching suggestions for The Emergency English Workbook. An excellent annotated bibliography, arranged by topics, is appended.

## High beginner.

Handbook	102 pp.	0-8403-2755-2	\$5.00
Workbook	228 pp.	0-8403-2709-9	\$7.00

#### THE IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE:

Level

#### Interactive Multiskill ESL.

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Dennis Johnson and Joan Young. Prentice-Hall, 1987.

Developed using 60 self-contained lessons, this ESL text follows several students as they encounter and share important situations such as "Getting Settled in a New Country," "Dealing with Sickness," "Looking for a Job," and others. One unique chapter is on intercultural dating. Each lesson contains five components: grammar, reading, writing, lifeskills, and review. Pair practice, group interaction, and class discussion are interspersed throughout the book. The Teacher's Edition has reduced pages from the student book and offers suggestions for modifying the lesson plans. A tapescript is also included in the Teacher's Edition.

## Intermediate.

Text	165 pp.	0-13-451501-3	\$8.00
Teacher's Edition	184 pp.	0-13-451519-6	\$10.25



#### LIFELINES:

Level

## Coping Skills in English.

Barbara Foley and Howard Pomann. Prentice Hall Regents, 1981.

This extensively illustrated ESL series includes everyday survival situations in each of four books. The Reader Development Program has selected only books 1 and 2. These books cover money and banking, transportation, housing, health, and other areas. Each text has variations on these major themes. The skill areas are graduated and increase in difficulty and complexity from volume to volume. Individual practice, partner exercises and small group activities provide diversity and reinforcement. The primary emphasis in the first two books is on speaking. The instructional guidelines for teachers are in the front of both books.

## High Beginner through low intermediate.

Book 1	99 pp.	0-13-535915-5	\$6.50
Book 2	99 pp.	0-13-535923-6	\$6.50

## **LOOKING AT AMERICAN SIGNS:**

Level

## A Pictorial Introduction to American Language and Culture.

5

Jann Huizenga and Donna Drews. Voluntad Publishers, distributed by National Textbook, 1982.

Huizenga's unique book offers black-and-white photographs of a variety of American signs, arranged by subject and accompanied by pertinent questions that provide practice in practical English and survival skills for English as a Second Language students. The Teacher's Guide includes introductions to each subject, vocabulary lists, and excellent suggestions for further instruction, discussion, and activities.

#### Low intermediate.

Text	64 pp.	0-8442-0400-9	\$4.50
Teacher's Guide	32 pp.	0-8442-0401-7	\$3.95



#### **SURVIVAL ENGLISH:**

Level

## **English Through Conversations.**

Lee Mosteller and Bobbi Paul. Prentice Hall Regents, 1985.

This ESL workbook series teaches basic language and coping skills through simple, repetitive dialogues. Focus is on real-life situations involving family, health, food, school, housing, transportation, and emergencies. Patterned activities provide the learner with practice at a low level. More than 300 line drawings add interest and humor. The authors emphasize that the text is designed to teach listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. ESL programs with students who have some oral vocabulary but limited reading ability will welcome this book.

## Beginner through low intermediate.

Book 1 Book 2	246 pp. 230 pp.	0-13-879172-4 0-13-879199-6 0-13-879180-5	\$8.00 \$8.00 \$5.00
Teacher's Manual Instructor's Manual	48 pp. 48 pp.	0-13-879206-2	\$5.00

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#### **BEFORE BOOK ONE:**

Level

Listening Activities for Pre-beginning Students of English.

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John R. Boyd and Mary Ann Boyd. Prentice Hall Regents, 1982.

ESL students who are not literate in their own languages or speak no English will benefit from this book. The text emphasizes listening and required responses involve circling the correct item rather than giving a verbal answer. The basic information features numbers, money, time, shapes, places and other concepts that can be easily shown visually. The Teacher's Manual is essential.

## Beginner (illiterate) through beginner.

Text	96 pp.	0-13-072554-4	\$5.00
Teacher's Manual	30 pp.	0-13-072562-5	\$2.75

#### FROM THE START:

Level

## Beginning Listening.

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Jann Huizenga. Longman, 1987.

Each of the 16 chapters in this photograph-based listening comprehension book begins with a brief dialogue. The exercises are keyed to an audio cassette but may be done using the tapescript in the back of the book. The students demonstrate their comprehension by selecting the correct photographs. An answer key is included.

## Beginner through high beginner.

Book 1

92 pp.

0-582-90727-6

\$6.95



#### LISTEN TO ME!

Level

## Beginning Listening Comprehension.

Barbara Foley. Newbury House, 1985.

Listen to Me! teaches listening comprehension and listening discrimination using a systematic approach. Each of the twenty units has a narrative, a brief conversational dialogue, and a full page drawing to illustrate the listening section. The purpose of the book is to help ESL students improve four listening skills: 1. Determining vocabulary meaning from visual cues and context, 2. Using supportive details to identify the main idea, 3. Listening for a specific reason, and 4. Recognizing grammatical structures. The comprehension exercises vary throughout the text. There is a tapescript in the back.

## High beginner through intermediate.

Text

198 pp.

0-088377-272-8

\$12.50

#### WHADDAYA SAY?



## Guided Practice in Relaxed Spoken English.

Nina Weinstein, Prentice-Hall, 1982.

Although this book is a controversial title for ESL teachers who object to seeing informal spoken English like "gonna" and "wanna" in print, this text acknowledges and transcribes the patterns which are common in everyday spoken English in the United States. For ESL students who are baffled by these phrases, this text helps them discriminate between correct written English or carefully articulated English and the informal colloquialisms they must be able to understand. A tape is available from the publisher or the tapescript in the book may be used as students complete the fill-in-the-blank exercises. An answer key is in the back of the book.

## Low intermediate through intermediate.

Text

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68 pp.

0-13-951708-1

\$7.00





#### ENTRY TO ENGLISH.

Level 0-4

Kathleen Kelley Beal. Steck-Vaughn, 1982.

Designed specifically for entry-level ESL students without reading or writing skills, this series teaches printing, numbers, and some sight words all organized around a survival skills approach. The emphasis is on phonics with controlled vocabulary and carefully paced listening and writing activities. Categories covered include: identifying and writing the alphabet, filling out forms, counting money, using the calendar, understanding directions, and other functional coping skills. The teacher's manual is necessary for each volume.

## Beginner (illiterate) through beginner.

Book 1	75 pp.	0-8114-1012-9	\$5.72
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#### GOOD DAYS AND BAD DAYS.



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Maybeth Conway-Cassidy et al. New Jersey Office of ABE, n.d.

The psychological concept of the "outer voice" (what we say) and the "inner voice" (what we are actually thinking and feeling) is developed in this ESL text. The dialogues contain the outer voices and sometimes the inner voices as well. The selected situations are ones which are common for all newcomers: taking the wrong bus and getting lost, using spoken English for the first time on the telephone, experiencing frustration in the ESL class. The book consists of six chapters. Each of these units contains a stimulus picture, some pre-reading vocabulary exercises, questions for reading comprehension, and recommended topics for discussion and writing. Although the book was written for Indochinese refugees, it could also be used by other adult ESL students who have been in this country for several months.

## Low intermediate through intermediate.

Text 116 pp. No ISBN Free



#### **GREAT AMERICAN STORIES 1:**

Level

#### An ESL/EFL Reader.

C.G. Draper. Prentice Hall Regents, 1985.

This is an excellent collection of American short stories. Entries include "The Gift of the Magi," "The Tell-tale Heart," "An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge," plus lesser-known tales by Jack London, Bret Harte, and Mark Twain. Better yet, the accompanying exercises are far above average, offering practice in scanning, reading comprehension, and grammar. A suggestion for a writing assignment accompanies each story. A fine addition to the ESL curriculum.

## Low intermediate through intermediate.

Text

112 pp.

0-13-363748-4

\$4.25

#### HOPES AND DREAMS.

Level

Tana Reiff. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1989.

This fiction series of ten books on American immigrant experiences was written for the ABE and ESL market. Like other series by Tana Reiff, these books have ample white space, simple controlled vocabulary, and short sentences with "words grouped into meaningful segments" for easy reading. Each story has brief chapters followed by discussion questions. A Curriculum Guide, which is helpful but not essential, is available from the publisher for \$15.00.

- Boat People: A Vietnamese family escape their homeland in 1979 but face many conflicts and struggles in the United States.
- A Different Home: Mario Lopez leaves Cuba and his parents in 1960. Eventually he is able to redefine "home" for himself and his family.
- For Gold and Blood: Two Chinese brothers search for gold in California in the 1850's. Hard years follow as each brother takes a different path.
- Hungry No More: The McGees arrive in Boston in the 1840's after the Irish potato famine. Life is difficult for the large family, but at least they have food to eat.





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- Little Italy: The Trella family have many problems in their search for a better life in the United States. New York City is nothing like Italy!
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- Nobody Knows: In Chicago in 1902, Mattie and Nate are free, but not from racism and discrimination. They fight for their rights as Black Americans but the price is high.
- O Little Town: Wisconsin is the site chosen by a young German couple. Only years later do they accept their American allegiances.
- Old Ways, New Ways: Tradition and the secular ways of the new world clash when a Jewish family relocates from Russia to New York City.
- Push to the West: Blizzards, locusts, prairie fires, and death test the endurance and perseverance of a young Norwegian couple heading West to the Great Plains.

#### Low intermediate.

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The Norwegians.  Curriculum Guide.	83 pp.	0-8224-3687-6	\$15.00

Series: A Pacemaker Hopes and Dreams Book.



#### LAUBACH WAY TO ENGLISH.

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Jeanette D. Macero and Martha A. Lane. New Readers Press, 1976.

This series for teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) can be used with students who are illiterate in their own language or who do not know the Roman alphabet, as well as for beginning ESOL classes. The textbooks to be used with the volumes listed here are Skill Books 1 and 2 of the Laubach Way to Reading, which go from primer to third grade reading level. Introductory conversation lessons are based on the Illustrations v. Jumes. The detailed approach was designed for volunteer tutors.

## Beginner (illiterate) through beginner.

ESOL Illustrations 1 for Skill Book 1	48 pp.	0-88336-392-5	\$3.00
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Series: Laubach Way to English.

## NO COLD WATER, EITHER.

Level 5-7

Jean Bodman and Michael Lanzano. Collier Macmillan, 1980.

In the same spirit as the earlier volume, No Hot Water Tonight, this book uses the lives of apartment dwellers in New York City as the basis for readings, vocabulary drills, and conversation and grammar practice for English as a Second Language students. Supplementary exercises are appended. Both volumes are extremely popular with students and tutors, and are highly recommended. The text weaves a mystery plot and a love story together.

## Intermediate through advanced.

Text

164 pp.

0-02-3116005

\$10.95



#### NO HOT WATER TONIGHT.

Level

Second Edition.

2-4

Jean Bodman and Michael Lanzano. Collier Macmillan, 1986.

This popular title is urban oriented, portrays realistic characters, and has content that is relevant for adult students. ESL readers can identify with the elderly widow, the single mother, the teenager in conflict, or the young married couple. The 25 chapters each have reading selections followed by learning activities, comprehension exercises, grammar lessons, and supplemental vocabulary building segments. The reading selections deal with such common survival skills as finding an apartment, using credit to purchase furniture, complaining to the landlord and many other adult concerns. The Overview in the front of the book offers suggestions and techniques for teachers.

## High beginner through low intermediate.

Text

119 pp.

0-02-311600-5

\$10.95

## **SPAGHETTI, AGAIN?**

Level 2

Jean W. Bodman and Judith B. McKoy. Collier Macmillan, 1988.

Beginning learners of English will find this story challenging and touching. Set in suburban Pennsylvania, it focuses on single mother Sarah Lewis and her three children. The realistic dialogue ranges from sad to humorous. Lessons for each chapter include comprehension activities, vocabulary practice, and questions for reflection and discussion. This text is illustrated with black-and-white drawings. This is a readable addition to any ESL collection.

## High beginner through low intermediate.

**Text** 

96 pp.

0-02-311590-4

\$9.50



#### TRUE STORIES IN THE NEWS:

Level

#### A Beginning Reader.

Longman, 1987.

Each of the 22 units in this book has a brief human interest story adapted from unusual newspaper and magazine articles. This low intermediate reader for ESL students includes vocabulary exercises, comprehension questions, and discussion and writing sections. Whether reading about a marriage on a ferris wheel, a 600 pound man, or a house with 300 snakes, most students are sure to find these stories engrossing. While developed for ESL groups, this low literacy level workbook with interesting black and white photographs will also be useful in ABE classes.

#### Low intermediate.

Text

93 pp.

0-582-90743-8

\$6.95

## WE'RE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT:

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## A Multi-Cultural and Pre-Vocational ESL Curriculum.

Karen Batt. Urban Studies and Community Services Center, distributed by LaSalle University, 1988.

This reading and discussion book has six chapters arranged thematically. The dialogues at the beginning of each chapter are followed by exercises on a variety of practice areas: listening, vocabulary building, grammar, reading, and thought-provoking discussion questions. Students are invited to consider issues related to immigration, the U.S. economic system, the American dream, the hightmare of crime and poverty, and many other critical concerns. Many of the discussion exercises ask the students to relate the information to their own personal experiences. Each chapter has a Teacher's Guide with answers and recommendations.

#### Intermediate.

Text

138 pp.

No ISBN



## SPEAK UP:

Level

## Beginning Pronunciation and Task Listening.

Cheryl Pavlik. Newbury House, 1985.

The 40 two-page units in this text help ESL students learn the rudiments of progressing from listening to pronunciation. Fundamentals of stress, intonation, reduced sounds, and contrasts of consonants and vowels are covered. The tapescript in the back of the book guides the students through task-based listening activities. A set of four cassettes is available from the publisher.

#### Low intermediate.

Text

96 pp.

0-88377-313-9

\$10.50



#### **IDEA EXCHANGE 1:**

Level

#### Writing What You Mean.

Linda Lonon Blanton. Newbury House, Harper & Row. 1988.

Each of the ten units in this book includes prewriting, prereading, grammar, writing, and postwriting activities. Authentic essays written by actual students are incorporated into the text. Grammar exercises are included for review and reinforcement. The journal writing technique used in every unit encourages the students to practice writing about themselves and for themselves. In this way the book underscores the idea that the process of writing is as important as the final product.

#### Low intermediate.

Book 1

154 pp.

0-06-632614-1

\$12.95

#### IMPROVING YOUR HANDWRITING.

Level

Rebecca Mae Townsend. Steck-Vaughn, 1978.

Many ESL students wish to improve their handwriting. This workbook provides brief instruction and extensive practice in cursive writing. It includes such basics as correct writing position, how to hold a pen, and special tips to remember. The recommendations are for right-handed individuals. The line patterns are rather narrow for a new writer just learning the Roman alphabet. The emphasis is on improvement for adults who can already write.

## Beginner.

**Text** 

64 pp.

0-8114-0697-0

\$5.00

Series: Imaginary Line Handwriting.



# ZANER-BLOSER HANDWRITING WORKBOOK: Manuscript.

Level 8

Walter B. Barbe. Zaner-Bloser, 1977.

This workbook on manuscript writing is clear and easy to use. The diagrams are for right and left-handed individuals. Ample space to practice printing is provided. Even unlined writing and filling in forms are covered briefly. The reading level of the instructions is sometimes quite high. As a result, a tutor's assistance may be necessary.

## Beginner.

Text

96 pp.

0-88309-097-X

\$8.00



#### ESSENTIAL IDIOMS IN ENGLISH.

Level 8

A New Revised Edition.

Robert J. Dixson. Prentice Hall Regents, 1983.

Hundreds of basic idiomatic expressions are identified and included in this text. Two-word verbs are considered in the category of idioms. Some examples would be: "to get in," "to turn off," "to look up," and "to call on." The arrangement of idioms is in three progressively difficult sections. One unique feature of this book is an appendix which translates each idiom into Spanish, French, and German. Generally, the instructions are more difficult than the exercises.

## Intermediate through advanced.

Text

208 pp.

0-13-286329-4

\$6.75

## IDIOMS IN AMERICAN LIFE.

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Julie Howard. Prentice Hall Regents, 1987.

This book on idioms has a clear format and includes over 100 common idiomatic phrases. The twenty self-contained lessons reinforce grammar, writing, and conversation skills with each lesson providing practice on five idioms. The dialogues are adult in content and portray real-life situations. Review lessons, crossword puzzle activities, and the glossary of idioms are special features.

## Low intermediate through intermediate.

Text

144 pp.

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\$8.25



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## THE NEW OXFORD PICTURE DICTIONARY.

Level 19/2

Monolingual English Edition.

E.C. Parnwell. Oxford, 1988.

This dictionary, designed for students with no prior knowledge of English, introduces over 2,400 American English words using four-color illustrations. Its easy-to-use format is organized thematically around such survival topics as "The Supermarket," "Medical and Dental Care," "The U.S. Postal System," "Highway Travel," and over 80 areas of interest. The appendix includes a listing of days of the week, months of the year, selected numbers, and names of colors. The index presents a pronunciation guide and page location for each entry. Many additional components are available from the publisher for instructors interested in developing a comprehensive vocabulary program.

## Beginner (illiterate) through beginner.

Text

124 pp.

0-19-434199-2

\$5.95



#### ENGLISH STEP BY STEP WITH PICTURES.

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Revised Edition.

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Ralph S. Boggs and Robert J. Dixson. Prentice Hall Regents, 1980;1983.

This popular vocabulary and grammar textbook will be useful for both primary instruction and review. The cartoon-style illustrations are a great improvement over the stick figures of the earlier edition. Exercises are written on a third to sixth grade reading level. Some instructional materials and all directions are more difficult. Designed as a companion to the text, English Step by Step Workbook provides reinforcement exercises. Lessons use pattern practice to teach grammatical construction, and illustrations are both plentiful and clear. When used with the textbook, this workbook will be quite helpful to students who need additional drilling.

## Beginner through high beginner.

Text	96 pp.	0-13-282971-1	\$7.00
Workbook	224 pp.	0-13-282963-0	\$4.50

## **GRAMMARWORK:**

Level

## **English Exercises in Context.**

4-5

Pamela Breyer. Prentice Hall Regents, 1982.

The Reader Development Program has selected three of the books in this four-part grammar series. These exercise books provide clear and concise grammatical explanations with ample oral and written practice sections. The exercises can be completed by individuals, pairs, or groups. The lessons have been written with the easier exercises preceding the difficult ones. The perforated answer key at the back of each book may be removed by the instructor or used by the student for self-correction.

## High beginner through intermediate.

Book 1	112 pp.	0-13-362278-9	\$6.25
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Book 3	128 pp.	0-13-362294-0	\$6.25



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### **ESL FOR ACTION:**

# Level

### Problem Posing at Work.

Elsa Roberts Auerbach and Nina Wallerstein. Addison-Wesley, 1987.

Based on the theories of Paolo Freire, the well-known Brazilian educator, ESL for Action uses the problem-posing approach as a framework for describing language functions. Information on such topics as immigration and worker's rights are interwoven into this text. As they develop the communication skills necessary for job success, students also look at personal change issues. The nine units contain discussion activities, charts, grammar exercises, role plays, research projects, and other methods to encourage student involvement and participation in work related concerns.

### Intermediate through advanced.

Text	€	176 pp.	0-201-00101-2	\$9.95
Teacher's Guide		55 pp.	0-201-00102-2	\$4.95

Series: English for the Workplace.

### SPEAKING UP AT WORK.



Catherine Robinson and Jenise Rowekamp. Oxford, 1985.

This pre-vocational book for adults with limited English proficiency has 11 units, each of which is divided into three teaching sections. The sections cover such work-related topics as "Understanding Work Schedules," "Phoning in Sick," "Discussing Problems," "Talking About Advancement," etc. Although the book is aimed at factory workers, the language functions and information are relevant to many other job situations. The Teacher's Manual is important for conducting the training exercises. It presents general teaching suggestions as well as specific recommendations on a unit by unit basis.

### Low intermediate.

Text	178 pp.	0-19-434196-8	\$6.95
Teacher's Manual	39 pp.	0-19-434197-6	\$3.50



### HANDBOOK FOR CITIZENSHIP.

Second Edition.

Margaret Seely. Alemany Press, 1989.

The basics of naturalization, early U.S. history, the U.S. government, and state and local government are presented in this book. It is designed to help students pass the oral U.S. citizenship examination. Using a tapescript, the text highlights the 30 most frequently asked questions and answers. Line maps, charts, facsimile copies of naturalization petition forms, and a section on writing practice for the exam add interest and relevant information. The appendices have information on the 50 states and specific data about California as a guide to the state and local materials which each student should learn.

### Low intermediate through intermediate.

**Text** 

104 pp.

0-88084-323-3

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### **VOICES OF FREEDOM:**

Level

### English for U.S. Government and Citizenship.

Bill Bliss with Steven J. Molinsky. Prentice Hall Regents, 1989.

These books were written specifically for the amnesty program students who are applying for U.S. legalization or naturalization. The low reading level is essential for individuals with limited English proficiency. Book 1 covers personal identification skills, the alphabet, and numbers in context, all of which are helpful to any beginning ESL student. Along with grammatical structures and interviewing skills, **Book 1** also includes U.S. history topics such as the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Civil War, the Labor Movement, the Civil Rights Movement and others. Book 2 reviews the material from **Book 1** and introduces additional information on citizenship. The instructional format provides a variety of skill building exercises including reading, interview dialogues, check-up activities, multiple choice, and dictation. Each book is correlated to other books by the same author: Expressways and Side by Side.

### Beginner through low intermediate.

Book 1 Book 2 92 pp.

0-13-944026-7

\$7.00

108 pp.

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#### **ESL CURRICULUM GUIDE:**

Level

Materials and Methods for Teaching

**4/8** 

English as a Second Language. Karen Batt et al. Reader Development Program, distributed by The Free Library of Philadelphia, 1988.

Volunteer tutors working with adults learning English as a Second Language will find this ESL Curriculum Guide an informative handbook. A chapter on ESL literacy outlines special problems in working with adults who are not literate in their own language. Practical teaching applications are in the sections on conversation, coping skills, listening, reading, pronunciation, and other topics for ESL students. The bibliography of recommended ESL curriculum materials ranges in scope from beginner through advanced titles. Recommended for libraries and literacy programs which serve limited English speaking populations.

### Beginner through intermediate.

**Text** 

54 pp.

No ISBN

Free

### **GAMES AND BUTTERFLIES:**

Level 15/2

Language Activities for ABE/ESOL.

Katherine Kennedy and Ellen Sarkisian. New Readers Press, 1979.

A resource book of learning games for adult new readers and ESL students, this useful volume begins with a few games to introduce group members to one another, then presents "Listening and Speaking Games," "Reading Games," and "Writing Games." Within each section games are arranged in order of increasing difficulty. The Table of Contents lists the title of each game and the skills it is designed to teach. Within the book, games are introduced, and methods and materials described. This excellent book will be very useful for tutors as well as teachers, and for Adult Basic Education and English as a Second Language students.

### Beginner through advanced.

Text

112 pp.

0-88336-398-4

\$8,95



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### TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF

## Level

### **OTHER LANGUAGES:**

A Guide for the Volunteer Teacher.

M. Christine Hjelt and Georgia E. Stewart. New Readers Press, 1988.

This handbook is designed for volunteer tutors with no prior experience or training in the field. The book is based on principles of language learning which have been tried and tested. Some of the background information in this book is general while other chapters focus on specific teaching techniques. The twelve chapters describe such rudiments as "Establishing a Program," "Demonstrating Grammar," "Improving Punctuation," "Planning Lessons," "Selecting Materials," and other relevant issues of concern to the volunteer tutor.

### Beginner through intermediate.

**Text** 

73 pp.

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ABBOTTSFORD GED COMMITTEE 3210 McMichael Street Philadelphia, PA 19129 848-6911 Dorothy Harrell

GED

Description:

Program is chiefly for residents of the Abbottsford Homes

seeking their GED.

Eligible Participants:

Space is currently limited to Abbottsford tenants.

Fee:

\$4.00 per week.

Hours of program:

Monday and Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., September to

June.

How to Enter Program:

Telephone for information.

ACTS MINISTRIES CENTER Emmanuel Chapel 1127 S. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 551-6455 Mr. Dennis McAllister

Beginning Reading

ABE

Special Programs

Description:

Individual instruction for people needing skills in basic reading, writing and math. Job referral for long term students. Child care

available.

Eligible Participants:

Open to community.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Individually scheduled between \$.00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call Center.

ARC RAINBOW
2350 W. Westmoreland Street
Philadelphia, PA 19140
229-4550
Ellen Dara

Special Programs

Description:

In-house program to improve functional literacy skills, emphasis on telling time, handling money and reading community signs.

Eligible Participants: In-house.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Weekdays, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

In-house program.



ASIAN-AMERICAN SERVICE CENTER 1719 A Morris Street Philadelphia, PA 19145 755-8369 Father Joseph Huynh

ESL

Description:

Agency aims to help immigrants and refugee newcomers learn

conversational English and Reading.

Eligible Particpants:

Open to community, especially Asian adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday, Tuesay and Thursday, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call office between 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. during the week.

ASPIRA, INC. OF PENNSYLVANIA 2726 N. 6th Street Philadelphia, PA 19133 229-1226 Nelda Perez

ABE

GED

**ESL** 

Description:

GED, ABE, and ESL classes for Hispanic youth with vocational

orientation and computer training.

Eligible Participants:

16-21 year old Puerto Rican/Latino students.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Neida Perez.

ASPIRA, INC. OF PENNSYLVANIA 526 W. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19123 923-2717 Rosie Archilia

GED

ESL

Description:

GED and Pre-employment skills training to Hispanic youth.

Classes in English or Spanish. Functional English class offered

to Spanish dominant students.

Eligible Participants:

Hispanic dropouts 16 to 21 years of age.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Classes are Monday thru

Friday, 3 hours per day.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Rosie Archilla at 923-2717.





ASSAULT ON ILLITERACY PROGRAM Pinn Memorial Baptist Church 54th and Wynnefield Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19131 877-4332 Mrs. Vivien Hansbury

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

A.O.I.P. offers literacy instruction to individuals who want to improve their basic reading, GED content areas, writing, and math skills. Support services such as counseling and referrals are available.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Thursday, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call Mrs. Hansbury for more information.

AUDENRIED HIGH SCHOOL 33rd & Tasker Streets 19145 Philadelphia, PA 468-4343 Tina Goldstein, Librarian

Beginning Reading

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction with volunteer teachers.

Eligible Participants:

All adults.

Fee:

None.

**Hours of Program:** 

Weekdays, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (school hours)

How to Enter Program:

Contact Tina Goldstein during school hours.

BARRETT EDUCATIONAL CENTER, INC. 1302-04 South 24th Street

Philadelphia, PA 19146

462-1934

Dorothy D. Allen

Beginning Reading

**GED** ABE

Description:

The center offers a variety of programs for community residents and youth, including adult education at all levels.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None except for GED course: \$75.00-10-12 week course,

\$10.00- testing.

Hours of Program:

ABE: Monday - Friday, 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. - GED: Monday and

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Applications are taken at center.



BENJAMIN RUSH CENTER 11082 Knights Road Philadelphia, PA 19154 632-9040 Luann Bonifante

Special Program

Description:

Literacy tutoring for clients in program.

Eligible Participants:

Clients at the center.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

As scheduled.

How to Enter Program:

In-house program.

BEREAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ADULT READING PROGRAM Broad & Diamond Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19121
769-2788 or 769-5683
Rev. J. Jerome Cooper, Pastor
Raseeda Reynolds, Coord:nator

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

GED

Description:

The program provides tutoring and remedial services to community residents interested in basic literacy and/or GED

training.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call church office or come to program on Tuesday.

BRIGHT HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH 12th and Columbia Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19121 232-6004

Rev. William H. Gray III, Pastor

Mrs. Elizabeth Henderson, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

Description:

Church tutoring center offers basic literacy training and GED instruction to people interested in furthering their knowledge in

the English Language.

Eligible Participants:

Church members and community residents.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Flexible.

How to Enter Program:

Call church for further information.



BROWN SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER Sergeant and Jasper Streets Philadelphia, PA 19125 739-9360 Stephanie Covert

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals in need of basic

reading and writing sills.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at school.

CAMBODIAN ASSOCIATION OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA 5412 N. 5th Street

Philadelphia, PA 19120 324-2633

Chin Hay Kho

ESL

Description:

Mutual Assistance Agency provides English as a Second

Language classes to refugees from Cambodia.

Eligible Participants:

Refugees from Cambodia.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Office is open 9:00 - 5:00.

How to Enter Program:

Call Mr. Chin Hay Kho, 324-4070, for information.

2029 S. 8th Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 Mon-Fri, 9:00-1:00

5412 N. 5th Street Philadelphia, PA 19120 Mon-Fri, 1:00-5:00



CENTER FOR INITIATIVE TRAINING & EDUCATION 1316 Arch Street, 6th Fl. Philadelphia, PA 19107 568-3220 Leonard Feingold Lesley Grady

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

ESL

Description:

All programs lead to competence in secretarial skills.

Eligible Participants:

JTPA.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call School.

CENTER FOR LITERACY, THE 3723 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 382-3700 Jo Ann Weinberger

Beginning Reading

ABE

**ESL** 

Description:

CFL trains volunteer tutors to teach basic reading, writing, and math skills to adults, based on the student's individual needs and goals. CFL also offers classes in math, writing, reading, spelling and English as a Second Language. The Center coordinates community-based learning sites throughout Philadelphia where tutors and students meet, including computer learning centers where students can work with personal computers.

Eligible Participants:

Out of school adults 16 years or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Office: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; day and evening

tutoring.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call the Center to be referred to a coordinator in

their area of the city.

Center City - Coordinator: Marther Merson, 568-1763

Arch St. Methodist Church Broad and Arch Streets Philadelphia, PA 19107 Philadelphia Institute Library 19th and Locust Streets Philadelphia, PA 19103

Beth Zion/ Beth Israel 18th and Spruce Streets Philadelphia, PA 19103 Rohm & Haas Co. Independence Mail West Philadelphia, PA 19106

Mellon Bank Center 15th and South Penn Square Philadelphia, PA 19106 YWCA 2027 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19103



Nicetown/Logan - Coordinator: Kathy Tarley, 227-8429

Logan Library

Wagner Ave. and Old York Road

Philadelphia, PA 19141

Nicetown Library 3720 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19140

Nicetown Boys and Girls Club 18th Street and Hunting Park Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19140

North Philadelphia - Coordinator: Marlene Lee, 235-7000

Columbia Library

2320 W. Columbia Avenue Philadelphia. PA 19121

Dick Elementary School 25th and Diamond Streets Philadelphia, PA 19132

Free Library of Philadelphia Logan Square Philadelphia, PA 19103

Philadelphia Newspapers Inc. 400 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19130

Reynolds Elementary School 24th and Jefferson Sts. Philadelphia, PA 19132 Rodriquez Library 6th St. and Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19125

St. Elizabeth's Church 23rd and Berks Streets Philadelphia, PA 19132

Upper Strawberry Mansion Civic Association 3320 W. Harold St. Philadelphia, PA 19132

Widener Library 2531 W. Lehigh Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19132

Northeast/Frankford - Coordinator: Kathleen Murphy, 289-9950

Bushrod Library Castor and Sterling Fhiladelphia, PA 19149

Bustleton Library
Bustleton Avenue and Verree Road
Philadelphia, PA 19116

Episcopal Hospital Front Street and Lehigh Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19125

Frankford Library
Frankford Avenue and Overington Street
Philadelphia, PA 19124

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Cottman and Erdick Streets Philadelphia, PA 19135 Kathryn Drexel Library Knights Road and Fairdale Street Philadelphia, PA 19154

N.E. Regional Library Cottman Ave. and Oakland Street Philadelphia, PA 19149

Our Saviour Lutheran Church D Street and Allegheny Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19134

St. Marks Church 4442 Frankford Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19124

Wyoming Library
Wyoming Avenue and B Street
Philadelphia, PA 19120

Northeast/ Tacony - Coordinator: Vivion Vinson, 624-3070

Fox Chase Library
Rhawn and Jeanes Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19111

Salvation Army Kensington and Richmond Avenues Philadelphia, PA 19134



Frankford YWCA Arrott and Leiper Streets Philadelphia, PA 19124

Friends' Hospital
Roosevelt Blvd. and Adams Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19124

Holmesburg Library Frankford and Hartel Avenues Philadelphia, PA 19136

Kensington Congregational United Church of Christ C and Indiana Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19134

Lawncrest Library 6098 Rising Sun Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19111

Northeast YWCA 2840 Holme Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19152

Northwest - Velma Wood, 844-8910

Canaan Baptist Church 5430 Pulaski Street Philadelphia, PA 19144

Germantown Boys and Girls Club 25 West Penn Street Philadelphia, PA 19144

Germantown YWCA 5820 Germantown Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19144

Janes Memorial Education Center 57-59 East Haines St. Philadelphia, PA 19144

Lovett Memorial Library 6945 Germantown Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19119

South - Coordinator: Clare Ignatowski, 334-2828

Broad and Morris Library 1700 S. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19144

Dixon House 1920-26 S. 19th St. Philadelphia, PA 19145

Greenwich Library 7th St. and Snyder Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19148 St. Timothy's Catholic Church 3001 Levick Street Philadelphia, PA 19149

Ta∞ny Library
Torresdale Avenue and Knorr Street
Philadelphia, PA 19135

Tacony Methodist Church Longshore and Hegerman Streets Philadelphia, PA 19135

Welsh Road Library Bustleton Avenue and Welsh Rd. Philadelphia, PA 19152

McPherson Library Indiana Avenue and F Street Philadelphia, PA 19125

Salem Lutheran Church Cottage and Harrison Streets Philadelphia, PA 19124

New Hope Outreach Center 4905 Wayne Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19144

Northwest Regional Library 68-76 West Chelten Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19144

Pennsylvania School for the Deaf 100 West School House Lane Philadelphia, PA 19144

West Oak Lane Library Washington Lane and Limekiln Pike Philadelphia, PA 19144

Southwark Library 7th and Carpenter Streets Philadelphia, PA 19147

Southwark House Front and Ellsworth Streets Philadelphia, PA 19147

St. John The Evangelist 3rd and Reed Streets Philadelphia, PA 19148



Hawthorne House Broad and Christian Streets Philadelphia, PA 19147

Holy Trinity Church 19th and Walnut Streets Philadelphia, PA 19103

House of Industry 6th and Catherine Streets Philadelphia, PA 19147 Whitman Library 2nd Street and Snyder Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19148

YMHA Broad and Pine Streets Philadelphia, PA 19147

West Philadelphia - Coordinators: Debra Brown & Laura Mercer, 382-3700

Calvary Methodist Church 4740 Baltimore Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19143

Church of the Saviour 3723 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19147

Drexel University Hagerty Library 33rd and Market Streets Philadelphia, PA 19104

Haverford Library 56th St. and Haverford Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19131

Mantua Library 34th St. and Haverford Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19104

Most Blessed Sacrament Church 56th St. and Chester Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19143

Overbrook Library
Haverford and Woodbine Avenues
Philadelphia, PA 19151

Presbyterian Hospital 39th and Market Streets Philadelphia, PA 19104

English as a Second Language

Centro Pedro Claver 3565 N. 7th St. Philadelphia, PA 19140

Homeless

Jobs for Dignity and Fairness 2122 W. Allegheny Ave. Philadelphia, FA 19132 Saint Frances De Sales 47th St. and Springfield Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19143

Seminole Center 5543 Elliott St. Philadelphia, PA 19143

Spruce Hill Association 257 S. 45th Street Philadelphia, PA 19104

Veterans Upward Bound 3933 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19104

West Regional Library 52nd and Saasom Streets Philadelphia, PA 19139

Woodland Presbyterian Church 42nd and Pine Streets Philadelphia, PA 19104

Wynnefield Library 54th St. and Overbrook Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19131

Se-Lah Port Shelter 5145 Germantown Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19144



CENTER IN THE PARK 5818 Germantown Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19144 848-7722 George Van Norton

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Tutors meet with students weekly to improve reading and writing

skills and comprehension.

Eligible Participants:

Anyone over the age of 60.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact George Van Norton by phone.

CHILDREN'S SERVICE, INC.
THE LEARNING CENTER
311 South Juniper Street, Rm. 409
Philadelphia, PA 19107
546-3503
Cleo Beaver

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

The Learning Center focuses on vocational training for clients

being emancipated from placement in Supervised Independent

Living or foster care.

Eligible Participants:

Youths committed to D.H.S or provider agency.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Referral from D.H.S. or provider agency.

CHINESE-AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER 929 Arch Street, 3rd Fl. P.O. Box 1236 Philadelphia, PA 19107 928-0147 Juliana Mark-Le

ESL

Description:

CRC offers classes and tutorial programs by volunteers for

individuals requesting help in improving skills in ESL and basic to

intermediate reading, job-training, etc.

Eligible Participants:

Ethnic Chinese and others.

Fee:

Depends on class taken.

Hours of Program:

By appointment. Varies.

How to Enter Program:

By appointment and interview. Call 928-0147.

W to Eliter Program.

CHINESE CHRISTIAN CHURCH AND CENTER Center Building

1006 Race Street

Philadelphia, PA 19107

925-0388

Mitzie McKenzie

ESL

Description:

ESL classes are offered primarily for ethnic Chinese; ABE

classes are given in conjunction with ESL.

Eligible Participants:

Neighborhood individuals.

Foe:

\$10.00 registration fee per semester.

Hours of Program:

Call for information; complete weekly program available upon

request.

How to Enter Program:

Call or visit center.

CHRIST COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

1224 N. 41st Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 545-5671 Joyce Brown

Beginning Reading

Description:

Basic literacy program to assist adults in reading. Four tutors

presently available.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Joyce Brown.

CHRISTIAN STRONGHOLD BAPTIST CHURCH

1207 N. 52nd Street
Philadelphia, PA 19131
877-0808/877-1530
Reverend Clifford Ashe III

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

ESL

Special Programs

Description:

Adult program; primary emphasis 0-4. In the process of

implementing a GED program.; assisting people with job

counseling.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

Undetermined.

Hours of Program:

Varies.

How to Enter Program:

Call church.



CIGNA CORPORATION 17th and Arch Streets Philadeiphia, PA 19103 523-4685 Louise Wilson

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

CIGNA employees are volunteer tutors.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Thursday, 4:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call Mayor's Commission on Literacy or Louise Wilson.

CO-MHAR ACUTE PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION PROGRAM 2121 E. Allegheny Avenhe 19124

Philadelphia, PA

427-5848 Cydney Savage

Special Programs

Description:

To help clients in mental health treatment program enhance basic

skills while addressing other clinical issues.

Eligible Participants:

Clients of CO-MHAR.

Fee:

None.

Hour of Program:

Flexible.

How to Enter Program:

in-house referrals only.



COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA Centers for Adult Learning (CAL) 1700 Spring Garden Street, Room B1-28 Philadelphia, PA 19130 751-8487, 751-8531, or 751-8832 DeLores Weaver

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED ESL

Description:

CAL offers free classes to adults who want to improve their abilities in basic skills, life skills, job-readiness, pre-GED

readiness, and ESL.

Eligible Participants:

Philadelphia adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact individual sites. Must have social security number, proof

or residence and 17 years of age.

SIES

Muhlenberg Memorial

Lutheran Church 13th & Ruscomb Streets

Philadelphia, PA 19143

329-1545

CAL West White Rock Baptist Church 53rd and Chestnut Streets

Philadelphia, PA 19143 474-1738 CAL South

St. Rita's Armory Bidg.

2nd Floor

1231 South Broad St. Philadelphia, PA 19147

339-9115

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA Centers for Learning in the City (CLIC) 1700 Spring Garden Street Philadeiphia, PA 19130 751-8531/751-8832

751-8531/751-8832 DeLores Weaver

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

**ESL** 

Description:

CLIC provides instruction to adults to help them qualify for job

training programs.

Eligible Participants:

JTPA eligible; unemployed, financially distressed adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00

p.m.

848-6212

How to Enter Program:

Must have Social Security number, proof of residence and be 17

years of age.

SIES

Pinn Memorial Church 54th and Wynnefield Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19131

Vivian Motley 477-1060 Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church 230 West Coulter Street Philadelphia, PA 19144 Royalann Midget St. James Episcopal Church 6838 Woodland Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19142 Ann Pritchett

729-0339



COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA ABE PROGRAM 1700 Spring Garden Street, Rm. W2-494 Philadelphia, PA 19130 751-8832 DeLores Weaver

ABE

Description:

To improve basic skills in all academic areas with emphasis on

reading, writing, spelling, math, and English usage.

Eligible Participants:

Program is for senior citizens and physically handicapped (non-

ambulatory) only.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday-Friday, 4:00 - 7:30 p.m. from September through May.

How to Enter Program:

Contact DeLores Weaver.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA GED PROGRAM 1700 Spring Garden Street Philadelphia, PA 19130 751-8376 John Jackson

GED

ESL

Description:

CCP offers classes for adults in a variety of neighborhood locations.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

The program fee is \$20, plus a textbook cost. The program is free (except for books and supplies) for those who are unemployed or

on public assistance.

Hours of Program:

Differ by site.

How to Enter Program:

Call John Jackson for information.

Main Campus -

Community College of Philadelphia 1700 Spring Garden Street Philadelphia, PA 19130

Northeast -

Northeast Regional Center Academy & Red Lion Roads Philadelphia, PA 19114

Overbrook -

Our Lady of Lourdes School 63rd Street & Lancaster Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19131

Roxborough -St. Timothy's Church 5720 Ridge Avenue Philadelphia, PA COPSITES

Naval Base -Naval Education Center Building 76

Philadelphia, PA 19112

Oak Lane -Holy Angels School 70th Ave. & Old York Rd. Philadelphia, PA 19126

Pennsport -

St. John's Episcopal Church 3rd & Reed Streets Philadelphia, PA 19147

Strawberry Mansion -Most Precious Blood School 2814 West Diamond Street Philadelphia, PA West Philadelphia -West Catholic H.S. for Girls 45th & Chestnut Streets Philadelphia, PA 19104

West Phila. Regional Ctr. 5131 Chestnut Street

Philadelphia, PA 19139



COMMUNITY COUNCIL MH/MR 4900 Wyaiusing Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19131 473-7821 Tamba Sama

#### Special Programs

Description:

Provides literacy instruction to social rehabilitation program clients.

Eligible Participants:

Limited to social rehabilitation clients.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Times vary.

How to Enter Program:

in-house program.

COMMUNITY OCCUPATIONAL READINESS & PLACEMENT PROGRAM, INC. (CORPP) 1217 Sansom Street, Biddle Building Philadelphia, PA 19107

592-8011

Mariene Broomer, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Literacy program interfaced with employability skills training & job

placement assistance. Literacy program open to community.

Eligible Participants:

JTPA eligible, ages 14 to 21, and adult transitional needy.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Mon.-Fri., 9:00a.m.-5:00p.m. Evening tutoring by appointment.

How to Enter Program:

Call 592-8011 for information.

COMMUNITY WOMEN'S EDUCATIONAL PROJECT (CWEP) Frankford Avenue and Somerset Street Philadelphia, PA 19134 426-2200

Patricia Haff

GED

Special Programs

Description:

Workstart is an intensive interdisciplinary program developed to prepare single heads of households and homemakers for college, vocational education or the workplace. Content areas are reading. writing, math, computer literacy, and career development. Workstart is especially designed to provide information which will assist people in making career choices. Workstart is jointly sponsored by Community College and Community Women's Education Project.

Eligible Participants:

Single heads of households and/or homemakers.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call or stop in for application.



CONCERNED NEIGHBORS OF GERMANTOWN 101 West Logan Street, NAHA Building Philadelphia, PA 19144 842-0789 Mariene Prycr

ABE

GED '

Description:

Concerned Neighbors of Germantown sponsors ABE and GED

classes for those adult who "want a second chance at learning."

Eligible Participants:

Persons 18 years of age or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Call for information.

How to Enter Program:

Enrollment is on-going; students are accepted either through

referral or as walk-in registrants.

CONGRESO DE LATINOS UNIDOS -CENTRO DE SERVICIOS COMUNALES 640 W. Luzerne Street Philadelphia, PA 19140 229-4040 Juvencio Gonzalez

ESL

Description:

ESL and GED for Hispanic youth as part of a drug prevention

program.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday & Wednesday, 9:00 - 11:00

Tuesday & Thursday, 9:00 - 11:00

How to Enter Program:

Contact center.

CONGRESO DE LATINOS UNIDOS 704 W. Girard Avenue Phliadelphia, PA 19123 625-0550 ext.52 Joe Pomales

**ESL** 

Description:

Literacy program serves as a support to clients in drug and alcohol

outpatient rehabilitation.

Eligible Participants:

In-house.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Thursday, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

In-house.



CONSORTIUM, THE 451 University Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19104 596-8163 Bob Miele

### Speciai Programs

Description:

Literacy component serves people with acute and/or severe and

persistent mental illness who are already in treatment.

Eligible Participants:

18 years or older, already in program.

Fee:

None for literacy piece. Total programming is covered by medical

assistance.

Hours of Program:

Mondays - Fridays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

in-house referrals only.

CORA - NEUMAN TRUANCY AND DROPOUT PREVENTION PROGRAM

Adams Avenue and Orthodox Street

Philadelphia, PA 19124

535-2957

**Deborah Williams** 

Speciai Programs

Description:

GED preparation, employability skills and counseling.

Eligible Participants:

Students between 16 and 21 already in program.

Fee:

Free to low income students, or sliding scale.

Hours of Program:

Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Deborah Williams. In-house referrals only.

COUNCIL OF SPANISH-SPEAKING ORGANIZATIONS, INC. (CONCILIO)

705-09 N. Franklin Street Philadelphia, PA 19123

627-3100

Laura Rodriguez

ESL

Description:

Concilio provides ESL instruction in order to help Hispanics in the

community reach a full comprehension of the English language. Instruction is given in a classroom setting. Employment-related

services for the Hispanic community are also offered.

Eligible Participants:

All Philadelphia residents, particularly Hispanics.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Agency: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.;

Program: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00

p.m./6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Interested students should call or visit site to register.



CREATIVE LEARNING CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER 1815 N. 54th Street Philadelphia, PA 19131 878-0200 Barbara Tynee/Margaret Bennett

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Creative Learning Child Development Center is primarily an earlychildhood program for neighborhood residents. The program is also currently implementing a comprehensive reading program for adults.

Eligible Participants:

Open to all adults.

Fee:

Registration fee of \$3.00 - \$5.00 only.

Hours of Program:

Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. --

How to Enter Program:

Students should call or visit center to arrange for application. Classes are in progress, with new classes to be scheduled

depending on enrollment.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINISTRY OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES 7340 Jackson Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 Sister Joan Hermine

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

**ESL** 

Description:

Individualized instruction held within the county prisons.

Eligible Participants:

Incarcerated adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Vary.

How to Enter Program:

Volunteer tutors should contact Theresa Curran, 624-5920.

DELAWARE VALLEY SCHOOL OF TRADES 421 North 7th Street Philadelphia, PA 19123

568-1950 ext. 36 Andre Maglione

Beginning Reading

**ABE** 

**GED** 

Description:

Trades School that offers tutorial help for its students.

Eligible Participants:

Students in Delaware Valley School of Trades.

Hours of Program:

Call Delaware Valley School of Trades.

How to Enter Program:

Only school's own students are eligible.



DELIVERANCE BIBLE INSTITUTE 1436 Beifield Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19140 456-2165 Rochelle Wright

GED

Description:

GED Program provides intensive classroom instruction in all subject

areas to enable participants to pass the national GED examination.

Eligible Participants:

Adults who have a seventh grade or higher reading level.

Fee:

One time registration fee.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Thursday, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call Deliverance Bible Institute.

DIAGNOSTIC AND REHABILITATION CENTER

229 Arch Street

Philadelphia, PA

19106-1997

625-8104 Alex Pugliese

Special Programs

Description:

DRC is an alcoholism treatment program which stresses educational

development. Comprehensive alcoholism treatment is available to clients, along with literacy classes and tutoring as ancillary services.

Eligible Participants:

All clients of Alcoholism Program.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

No appointment necessary; admission is through out-patient

program. Classes are on-going.

DICK SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER

25th and Diamond Streets Philadelphia, PA 19121

CE2-1197

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

Center offers instruction to individuals needing skills in basic reading

and writing. Teachers and aides volunteer their time to work with

adults during school hours.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at school. Open registration

from September to June.



DISTRICT 1199C TRAINING & UPGRADING FUND 1319 Locust Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 735-5555 Kelly Robinson

ABE

**GED** 

ESL

Special Programs

Description:

District 1199C offers health, occupational training remedial and preparation programs in order to upgrade union members and train

and employ unemployed community members.

Eligible Participants:

Union and non-union members as determined by program and

funder.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Vary between 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Apply at office.

DOUGLAS SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER 22nd and Norris Streets Philadelphia, PA 19121 763-1228 Judy Wilford

Beginning Reading

Math (Gd. Level 0-8)

Computer (Gd. Level 0-4)

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction.

Eligible Participants:

All adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call weekdays between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

CHARLES DREW CENTER 1006-1012 Lehigh Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19132 227-9159 Ms. Caroline Kennedy

Speciai Programs

Description:

In-house program.

Eligible Participants:

Residents of center.

Fee:

None.

**Hours of Program:** 

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

In-house program.



DREXEL UNIVERSITY
33rd and Chestnut Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19104
895-2472
Doreen R. Steg

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

GED

ESL

Description:

Drexel's "Self-Controlled Interactive Learning Systems" program

uses computer-based technology to teach reading, writing, typing

or mathematics.

Eligible Participants:

Children, teenagers, learning disabled adults.

Fee:

\$60.00 per hour. Health insurance, including Blue Cross/Blue

Shield, covers most costs.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call for more information.

DREXEL - NSC

Free Library of Phila.-Lehigh Branch

6th and Lehigh

Phliadelphia, PA 19133

686-1994 Alan Fleming

**ESL** 

Description:

ESL classes using the language experience approach with bilingual,

bicultural, low literacy Spanish speakers.

Eligible Participants:

Low literacy Spanish speakers.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Thursday, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 686-1994.

EASTWICK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8325 Lindbergh Blvd. Philadelphia, PA 19153

365-1810

Mr. James Mace, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Laubach Literacy materials are used for one-on-one adult tutoring.

Program assists non-readers in developing reading and basic

living/organizational skills.

Eligible Participants:

All adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call Mayor's Commission on Literacy.



EDMONDS SCHOOL Sedgwick and Willits Roads Philadelphia, PA 19150 549-7480 Ms. Lois Barlow

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instructionto individual adults needing skillsk in

basic reading and writing.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Open - Monday-Friday

How to Enter Program:

Call between 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

ELWYN INSTITUTES NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER 4040 Market Street Philadiephia, PA 19104

895-5570 Joyce Harper

Beginning Reading

**ABE** 

Description:

Elwyn offers vocational training to disabled adult: tutoring and adult

education is available as an ancillary service to Elwyn Clients.

Eligible Participants:

Open to disabled adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

in-house only.

EMLEN ARMS TENANT COUNCIL 6733 Emien Street Philadelphia, PA 19119 438-9896/849-2828 Mrs. Gladys T. Blackwell, President Mr. Flamer, Manager

Beginning Reading

Description:

Offering instruction and basic skills in reading and writing. Tutoring

on a one-on-one basis for elders needing to raise reading and

English abilities.

Eligible Participants:

All Tenants and elders of Emlen Arms.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday & Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

How to Enter Program:

Come to office of Tenant Council - Apt. #320.



EMLEN SCHOOL
Chew Avenue & Upsal Street
Philadelphia, PA 19119
843-1044
Mrs. Wilcox

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individual adults in the

community.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

As scheduled.

How to Enter Program:

Call between 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., Monday - Friday.

ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION 251 S. 18th Street, 3rd Floor Philadelphia, PA 19103 545-3619 Nancy L. Guthrie

ESL

Description:

One-on-one tutoring in Conversational English as a Second

Language to all non-native speakers.

Eligible Participants:

Non-English speaking people.

Fee:

\$35.00/year.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday - Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 545-3619 for interview.

ENRICHMENT CENTER
2201 N. 11th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19133
763-2027
Vickle Williams

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Center offers literacy and GED instruction to individuals needing

these skills.

Eligible Participants:

Residents of the area.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Thursday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.



EVENING SCHOOL FOR EXCEPTIONAL ADULTS High School for Girls Broad Stree and Olney Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19141 WA7-4500 Gerald Welsman

### Beginning Reading

Description: ESEA is an academic program for adults who are developmentally

disabled, and includes writing skills and recreative programs. Many participants are former residents of State School and Hospitals.

Some are multi-handicapped who live in CLA Homes.

Eligible Participants: Developmentally disabled adults who are not currently enrolled in

public school day programs.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Wednesday evenings during school year, 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Registration in school office on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

EYE INSTITUTE
Learning Center
1201 W. Spencer Street
Philadelphia, PA 19141
276-6050
Penni Blaskey, Ph.D.

Beginning Reading ABE Special Programs

Description: The Learning Center at the Eye Institute is a team of professionals in

optometry, psychology and education who work together to remediate learning problems. Individual tutoring in reading instruction for children and adults. Visual, academic and

psychological testing available.

Eligible Participants: Open.

Fee: \$25.00 /hr. individual; sliding fee available group sessions; \$450.00

for 60 hours of instruction.

Hours of Program: Flexible hours.

How to Enter Program: Call 276-6050.

FAIR HAVENS BAPTIST CHURCH 1250 Wagner Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19141 455-4162 Reverend H. B. Steward, Pastor

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Program is chiefly for residents of the West Logan Section (West of

Broad, South of Somerville, North of Windrim and East of

Germantown) seeking ABE and GED.

Eligible Participants:

Limited to members of church and residents of area.

Fee:

\$7.00 a month on a monthly basis.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Telephone between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays.

FAMILY COURT OF PHILADELPHIA Special Services Offices 1801 Vine Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 MU6-7444 Helen Corprew

Special Programs

Description:

Family Court's STEPS program emphasizes one-to-one

relationships with male youth referred by Court staff. Volunteers

tutor youths in intensive reading workshops.

Eligible Participants:

Court-referred youths.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.; by appointment.

How to Enter Program:

Call for information.

FEDERAL BUILDING 5000 WISSAHICKON - TECH/PREP 5000 Wissahickon Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19144 951-5599 Thurman M. Davis, Assistant Regional Administrator Jasper Jenkins, Coordinator Barbara Philips, Co-Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Program to help interested people with reading and English.

Eligible Participants:

Open to all interested Federal employees.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Non-duty hours.

How to Enter Program:

Call program coordinator.



FELTONVILLE SCHOOL
Rising Sun and Rockland Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19120
455-1780
Ms. Maria N. Formicola

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individual needing basic skills in

reading and writing.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

· How to Enter Program:

Call during school hours.

FIRM HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH 2311-17 East Auburn Street Philadelphia, PA 19134 NE4-2486 Rev. Timothy Turner, Pastor Jacqueline Jones

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Firm Hope sponsors classes and some tutoring in reading as well as

math and spelling. Classes run on same schedule as school year.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hourse of Program:

Monday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m..

How to Enter Program:

Students should call office, Ne4-2486.

FOX CHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 7942 Burholme Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19111 745-7416 Eleanor McEachern

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

One-on-one tutoring at the Church.

Eligible Participants:

All adults who may need help.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Wednesday, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 745-7416.



FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA
Office of Work with Adults and Young Adults
Logan Square
Philadelphia, PA 19103
686-5353
Richard Lippin

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

ESL

Description:

The Office provides space and materials for ongoing programs

(Center for Literacy, School District, etc.), develops its own

programs (ESL) and tests use of materials.

Eligible Participants:

Persons 18 years of age or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Varies.

How to Enter Program:

Open enrollment; call for information.

Classes follow school year.

## **ESLSITES:**

FLP: Logan Branch

Wagner Avenue and Old York Road

Philadelphia, PA 19141

329-8606

Monday and Wednesday

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m, September - June

FLP: Wyoming Branch

Wyoming Avenue and B Street

Philadelphia, PA 191

329-7976

Monday and Thursday

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., September - June

GAUDENZIA HOUSE 1834 West Tioga Street Philadelphia, PA 19140 844-2321 Mr. Steward

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

In-house program.

Eligible Participants:

Residents of center.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

To be arranged by center.

How to Enter Program:

In-house program.



GENESIS II, INC. 1214 North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19121 763-2650 Joseph Kelly, Director

ABE

**GED** 

Special Programs

Description:

Genesis II, Inc. is a drug and alcohol program with an educational and vocational component. It provides group therapy, individual

counseling and vocational and educational classes.

Eligible Participants:

Residents that have entered Genesis II program (out-patient) or

residential program and do not have a high school diploma.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Sunday, 24 hours.

How to Enter Program:

Call for an interview.

GERMANTOWN CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY 610 E. Mt. Pleasant Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19119 242-5550 Janet Walter

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

A one-on-one tutoring program whose purpose is to help adults become proficient in reading and/or math. To assist them in acquiring those skills necessary for job improvement, reading

enjoyment, and/or Bible study.

Eligible Participants:

Adults 18 years or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Flexible.

How to Enter Program:

Call the church office to make an appointment, between 9:00 a.m.

and 5:00 p.m.



GERMANTOWN WOMEN'S EDUCATION PROJECT (GWEP) c/o Calvary Church
Manhelm & Pulaski Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19144
843-2148
Peggy McGuire, Director
Wissahickon Boys' & Girls' Club (class site)
Coulter & Morris Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19144

ABE

**GED** 

Special Programs

Description:

One-on-one and small group instruction in literacy, life skills, GED; learner-centered curriculum of reading, discussion, writing, math; health, wellness and parenting workshops; services of on-site social worker and referrals to social service, medical, job training and continuing education agencies. Free, on-site child care provided

during classes.

Eligible Participants:

Any woman of Southwest Germantown, and surrounding areas,

who is 17 or older.

Fee:

None, but women are asked to assist in fund-raising.

Hours of Program:

Day and evening classes.

How to Enter Program:

On-going registration throughout the year. Call for appointment.

GIUFFRE MEDICAL CENTER - GED PROGRAM Girard Avenue at 8th Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 787-2042

737-2042 James Haggerty

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Educational training to assist clients in attaining their high school

diplomas and generally enhancing the quality of rehabilitation and

living.

Eligible Participants:

In-house program for alcohol and drug rehabilitation.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

To be arranged by center.

How to Enter Program:

In-house program.



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH Cottman Avenue at Erdrick Philadelphia, PA 19135 332-4110 Anna R. Danila

Beginning Reading

**ABE** 

Description:

Help advance ability to read and understand the written word until

individuals can join classes and continue their education.

Eligible Participants:

Out of school youth and adults who read poorly and are willing to

work to learn.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

To be scheduled as needed.

How to Enter Program:

Call Mrs. Schmidt at church office.

GORDON PHILLIPS BEAUTY SCHOOL

46 S. 11th Street

Philadelphia, PA 19107

352-1776

Marcia Szatsmary, Coordinator

7248 Frankford Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19135

Special Programs

Description:

GED program at two city locations, Center City and Mayfair, to help

Gordon Phillips' students earn GEDs; offered concurrently with

cosmetology program.

Eligible Participants:

All Gordon Phillips' enrolled students.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Call Gordon Phillips.

How to Enter Program:

Call Marcia Szatsmary for more information.

GRACE TEMPLE CHURCH 6735 N. 16th Street Philadelphia, PA 19126 WA4-7675 Reverend William Young, Pastor

Reverend William Young, Pastor Marilyn McLauren, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Literacy instruction to church members and community residents

interested in language development.

Eligible Participants:

Church members and community residents.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students may come to the church or call for further information.



SIMON GRATZ HIGH SCHOOL 18th & Hunting Park Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19140 BA5-5385 Mr. Harry Zaleznik

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

Center offers one-on-one instruction to individuals needing skills in basic reading and writing. Teachers and aides volunteer their time to

work with adults.

Eligible Participants:

All adults needing help.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

After 2:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call the Mayor's Commission on Literacy.

GREATER PHILADELPHIA OVERSEAS CHINESE ASSOCIATION 4620-22 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19139

222-7833 Johnny Kuo

ESL

Description:

Mutual Assistance Agency provides English as a Second Language

classes to refugees from Indo-China.

Eligible Participants:

Refugees from Indo-China of Chinese ethnicity.

Fee:

None.

**Hours of Program:** 

Monday - Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 222-7833 or stop in for registration information.

GREATER WORKS MINISTRIES, INC.

3012 W. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19151 235-1291

200-1291

Pastor Ruth Jackson

ABE

Description:

Church members tutor community residents in an effort to raise

literacy levels.

Eligible Partiticpants:

Any community resident.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Individual arrangements.

How to Enter Program:

Call Pastor Jackson.



HARAMBE BAPTIST CHURCH 5648 Chew Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19138 844-1914/849-8693 Reverend Theodore Johnson Elaine Jones

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Beginning Reading - To meet the student at their level and to develop their ability to read on Level 4. Adult Basic Education to

prepare students to read and compute on Level 8.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Sign up at the church.

HARAMBE - NORTH PHILADELPHIA 1923 North Croskey Street Philadelphia, PA 19121 232-2050 Vivian Brooks

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Harambee offer ABE and pre-GED classes and tutoring to provide reading and math skills to adults with limited education.

Also, we offer in-the-home tutoring services.

Eligible Participants:

Open to all adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Monday - Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should apply at Harambee House. Ongoing classes.

HIGH STREET CHURCH LITERACY CENTER
222 E. High Street
Philadelphia, PA 19144
438-1682
Forrest Connor

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

The principal purpose of this initiative is to provide the

opportunity for adults to raise their Reading and English abilities.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

**Hours of Program:** 

Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call church or come to program - Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m.



HISPANIC WOMEN'S PROGRAM - THE LIGHTHOUSE 152 W. Lehigh Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19133 425-7800 Hector Franco

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

ESL

Description:

HWP is a community-based program, providing educational alternatives especially for Hispanic women who have been out of school for a long time. All classes are coed. Some groups are taught in Spanish for those individuals who do not know English.

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Eligible Participants:

Any community resident.

Fee:

\$2.00 Registration Fee.

Hours of Program:

Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Friday, 9:00

a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should apply in person at the agency.

THOMAS HOLME SCHOOL Academy and Willits Roads Philadelphia, PA 19114 332-0281 Ms. M. Levine

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instructions to individual adults needing

skills in basic reading and writing.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Open - Monday-Friday

How to Enter Program:

Call between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. - Monday-Friday.

HOLY TEMPLE CHURCH 60th and Callowhill Streets Philadelphia, PA 19151 747-2766 Bishop O.T. Jones, Pastor Lawrence Corprew, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

ESL

Description:

Provides instruction in reading in order to help interested people in the community reach their full potential in language skills.

Eligible Participants:

All adults who might be interested.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call church office.



HOLY TRINITY BETHLEHEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 11th and Rockland Philadelphia, PA 19141 324-7007 Diane Sidener

ABE

**ESL** 

Description:

ABE/ESL for Senior citizens in the community.

Eligible Participants:

Senior citizens.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Thursday, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Diane Sidener at 324-7007.

HOME MANAGEMENT, EMPLOYMENT SKILLS
AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP INSTITUTE, INC.
Nursing Education Building
Presbyterian University of Pennsylvania Medical Center
51 N. 39th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19104
459-1299
Dr. Catherine W. Wilson

Special Programs

Description:

Training in GED, home health aide, pre-LPN preparation,

Quanity Foods, professional housekeeping, waiter/waitress

training, machine knitting.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None (low-income and welfare recipients) \$125.00 -(employed).

Hours of Program:

Vary.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Dr. Wilson.

HOPKINSON HOUSE LEARNING CENTER 602 Washington Square South (6th and Locust Streets) Philadelphia, PA 19106 925-4444 Deiores E. Berndt

ABE

**GED** 

**ESL** 

Description:

Center offers ABE, GED and ESL to individuals needing help.

One-on-one tutoring in classroom environment.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 noon/4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Delores E. Berndt.

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HORIZON HOUSE, INC. 121 S. 31st Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 386-1600 Jerry Howard

Special Programs

Description:

In-house mental health/mental retardation center providing

literacy skills to identified clients.

Eligible Participants:

In-house clients.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Individual appointment.

How to Enter Program:

In-house referrals.

INCARNATION OF OUR LORD SCHOOL CENTER 425 West Lindley Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19120 457-2779 Sister Mary Ellen

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

ESL

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction. Teachers and aides volunteer

their time to work with adults.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Open times.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at school. Open registration

throughout the year.

INDEPENDENT PAN-AFRICAN STUDIES, THE COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM
12th & Ogden Streets (Old Spring Garden School)
Philadelphia, PA 19123
763-0530
Maxine Sullivan

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

Special Programs

Description:

Free day and evening classes. Child care is available at times -

please inquire.

Eligible Participants:

Must be willing to volunteer two hours/week at the program.

Fee:

Small registration fee.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Register by calling the program.



INDO-CHINESE AMERICAN COUNCIL 4936 Old York Road Philadelphia, PA 19141 457-0270 Dr. Vuong Gia Thuy

**ESL** 

Description:

After school tutoring program for at risk Asian high school

students ages 14-21. After school remedial educational program

for multiracial high school students ages 14-21. ESL and

counseling services for Asian adults.

Eligible Participants:

See description.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 1:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Monday, Thursday: 1:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday: 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact site between 1:30 and 5:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF CIVIC VALUES RIGHT TO READ PROGRAM 37 S. 13th Street, 9th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 977-8033 Eugenia Burgos

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

The Right to Read Program helps neighborhood groups start literacy programs that make learning more accessible to adults who can't read or write. Tutors are recruited from the community, babysitting is provided during class time, measures of learning are taken at regular intervals and participants become tutors for others at lower levels. All activities occur at a convenient location such as a church, community center or a block captains home.

Eligible Participants:

Anyone 18 years or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Institute for the Study of Civic Values.

STIES:

South Lehigh Action Council

2213 Sergeant Street Philadelphia, PA 19132

229-2851 Darryl Jones Logan Human Services NAC

Holy Trinity Church 11th & Rockland Streets Philadelphia, PA 19141

329-0880

Katherine Lockwood

Cookman United Methodist Church S.W. corner of 12th & Lehigh Avenue

Philadelphia, PA 19133 229-4477 or 223-1097 Reverend Hynicka (child care available) East Mt. Airy Neighbors

820 Vernon Road Philadelphia, PA 19119

VI9-0222

230 Mr. Oscar Gibbs/Mr. David Bell



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INTER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP. 8347 Forest Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19150
247-9222
Marie Green

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

This program provides adult basic education and General Education Development to teenagers who have dropped out of high school and unemployed or underemployed adults who do

not have their high school diolomas.

Eligible Participants:

17 or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Mon - Thurs, 1:30p.m. - 5:00p.m. - Fri, 10:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 247-9222 for more information.

IBM

One Commerce Square 2005 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 851-4426 Kitty Styles

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

GED

Description:

IBM employees volunteer to tutor students using traditional text

books as well as state of the art computers & software.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday - Thursday, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Kitty Styles.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE OF PHILADELPHIA 3701 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 387-5125 Caroline Bass

**ESL** 

Description:

International House offers conversation classes at all levels for

non-English speakers. Courses are not for credit and are taught

by volunteer teachers and TESL interns.

Eligible Participants:

All adults.

Fee:

\$130.00 including International House membership.

Hours of Program:

Twice a week for two hour periods. Ten week program (40 hrs)

How to Enter Program:

Students should call for information.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP 1700 Spruce Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 735-7688 Reverend Bruce McDowell

**ESL** 

Description:

Conversational English lessons are provided for 1 1/4 hours

weekly at two sites, 1700 Spruce Street on Friday evenings and

3417 Spruce Street, Houston Hall on Tuesday evenings. Students meet in small groups with Volunteer tutors.

Eligible Participants:

International students, visiting scholars and visitors.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

As described above.

How to Enter Program:

Call director, Bruce McDowell, 735-7688, Monday - Friday, 9:00

a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**JACKSON SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER** 

12th and Federal Streets Philadelphia, PA 19147 DE4-2517

Paul Fanning

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading and writing. Teachers and aides volunteer their

time work with adults during school hours.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday, 2:45 p.m - 3:45 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at school. Open registration

from September to June.

JAMESON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 5301 Wynnefield Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19131 477-7777

**Pastor Howard Jameson** 

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Tutoring on an individual basis.

Eligible Participants:

Open to community.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

By appointment.

How to Enter Program:



JEWISH EMPLOYMENT AND VOCATIONAL SERVICE A.P. Orleans Vocational Center 1330 Rhawn Street Philadelphia, PA 19111 728-4707 Louise Yermish Donna Yates, ESL Coordinator

GED ESL

Description: GED program - 16 week program to low income residents of

Philadelphia, Bucks and Montgomery Counties to prepare them for primary labor market, additional vocational training and to take

GED exam. Tutoring program in math and reading.

Eligible Participants: Those low income students seeking High School Equivalency

Diploma and/or admission to trade school programs.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Program has open enrollment: Persons who are enrolled in an

A.P. Orleans program can receive the in-house literacy service.

For more information, call 728-4400.

JEWISH EMPLOYMENT AND VOCATIONAL SERVICE Achievement Through Counseling and Training (ACT) 1745 North 4th Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 236-0100 Sari Trachtenberg

Special Programs

Description: Support service for clients of substance abuse program by

reading and math tutoring and English as a Second Language.

In class and individual circumstances.

Eligible Participants: All clients of ACT.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Individually scheduled.

How to Enter Program; In-house referrals only.



**JEWISH EMPLOYMENT & VOCATIONAL SERVICE** 

Seniors at Work 1218 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 238-6066 Helen Donovan

Special Programs

Description: To assist low income persons 55 and older acquire all the skills

and training necessary to successfully get and retain gainful

employment.

Eligible Participants: All Seniors at Work, Title V enrollees. In-house program.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program: In-house referrals only.

JOBS WITH DIGNITY 2122 W. Allegheny Street Philadelphia, PA 19132 228-8551 Dawn M. Acero

Beginning Reading ABE GED

Description: Job training in merchandise handling and placement assistance.

Elgible Participants: Homeless - transitionally needy.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (class).

How to Enter Program: Walk-in.

JOHNSON CONCERN CARE CENTER 2229 W. Thompson Street Philadelphia, PA 19121 763-1349 Ms. Doris Johnson

Beginning Reading ABE GED

Description: Center offers literacy instruction to adults in the community.

Eligible Participants: Adults.

Fee: \$5.00 for testing, folders and pens. If unable to afford, fee is

waived.

Hours of Program: 5:30 p.m. - - 7:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Call between hours of 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.



JONES JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER 2900 Memphis Street Philadelphia, PA 19134

739-6151 Mr. Carl Beck

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading and writing. Teachers and aides volunteer their

time to work with adults during school hours.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Wednesday, 17:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should contact the school. Open registration from

September to June.

KELLY VOLUNTEER SCHOOL Pulaski Avenue and Hanesburry

Philadelphia, PA 19144

438-8247

Ms. Kathine Cox

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading and writing. Teachers and community people volunteer their time to work with adults during school hours.

Eligible Participants:

Any adult in need of help.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Wednesday, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call school between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

KENSINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

3068 Frankford Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19134 752-5800 Ext.252 or 739-5582 Rev. James Ayers

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ABE

Description:

Tutoring teens and adults to read.

Eligible Participants:

Beginning Reading

Anyone age 13 or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Thursc 3y, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call to schedule an appointment for an intake interview and

testing.



**KOREAN COMMUNITY CENTER** 5738 North 5th Street Philadelphia, PA 19120 276-8830 Judith Ilika

**ESL** 

Description:

Center offers conversational English as a Second Language

classes.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Evenings, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at center.

LA SALLE URBAN CENTER: ADULT LEARNING PROJECT

20th Street & Oiney Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19141

951-1187

**Bridget Martin (ABE)** Ellle Furstenberg (ESL)

ABE

**ESL** 

Description:

The Adult Learning Project aims to increase learner's confidence and raise reading and math levels so that participants can qualify

for GED and job training programs. Group instruction is offered

for adults in reading, writing and basic math.

Eligible Participants:

Adults - age 18 and older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Morning and evening - call for class times.

How to Enter Program:

Classes are ongoing; call project Monday - Friday, 9:30 a.m. -

4:00 p.m. for information.

STES

Morning classes in Logan; evening classes in Germantown and West Oak Lane. ESL classes are offered in Olney. Call Project for details.



LET'S GO TO WORK 103 E. Sharpnack Philadelphia, PA 19119 844-1114 Lee Valenti, Program Director

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

**GED** 

**ESL** 

Special Programs

Description:

Individual tutoring and group support discussions. Skill

development/vocational training center in the field of home repair

and maintenance skills.

Eligible Participants:

All adults and youth.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Mon-Fri, 9:00a.m. - 5:00p.m./Mon-Tues, 7:00-9:00p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Center.

LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND 919 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 925-3213 Alysia Zee

ABE

**GED** 

**ESL** 

Description:

Visually-impaired and print-handicapped adults, working toward

GED. Academic and other reading materials in braille, tape, and

large-print media.

Eligible Participants:

Print-handicapped adults without high school diplomas or in

need of remedial education.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Alysia Zee.

LITERACY RESEARCH CENTER - UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

3700 Wainut Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 898-1925

Daniei Wagner

Special Programs

Description:

The center, located in the Graduate School of Education, helps

to develop policy on literacy related problems through basic and

applied research.

Eligibe Participants:

Non-specific.

Fee:

Varies with project.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call for more information.



LOGAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION 5119 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19141 329-0980 Michelie Coleman

**ESL** 

Description: LDC is a community non-profit corporation currently operating a

day care center with a job bank program. In the spring of 1987, the Logan CDC reinstituted ESL classes, primarily to serve the

local refugee and adult population.

Eligible Participants: Adult community residents.

Fee: Modest Fees (to be determined).

Hours of Program: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Classes are held in ten week sessions. Interested students

should visit center to register.

LOMBARD CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN ADULT READING PROGRAM

42nd Street and Poweiton Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19104 222-3044

Reverend J. Bernard Taylor, Pastor Mrs. Ruth Martin, Coordinator

Beginning Reading ABE

Description: Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading and writing.

Eligible Participants: Community residents and all interested persons.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Flexible.

How to Enter Program: Call church for information.

LORNE FITZGERALD GREEN ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 12928 Philadelphia, PA 19108 457-7247

Rosa McCullough

ABE pre-GED

Description: Association works with victims of violent crime within the

community. Literacy is used to build up community resources.

Eligible Participants: Persons who have been victims.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: To be scheduled.

How to Enter Program: Contact Ms. McCullough, 457-7247

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## LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN'S VOLUNTEER READING AIDES PROGRAM 2900 Queen Lane

Philadelphia, PA 19129 438-2200

436-2200 Martha A. Lane

**ESL** 

ABE

**Training Programs** 

Description:

LCW trains volunteers in basic literacy and tutoring skills; helps churches and community groups set up neighborhood tutoring projects; produces, field-tests and sells materials for tutors and adult new readers; and provide information and referral services

to students, tutors and programs.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

Fee for materials; consultative fee charged according to group's

or agency's needs and ability to pay.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call for information.

LUTHERAN SETTLEMENT HOUSE WOMEN'S PROGRAM 1340 Frankford Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19125

426-8610 Carol Goertzel

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

**GED** 

**ESL** 

Description:

The Women's Program offers a comprehensive array of services for low-income women, men and children in the community. The purpose of the program is to provide the tools which will enable them to take control of their lives through education, employment and training, counselling, childcare, and domestic violence prevention services. Open to all adults reading at a 0 grade level and up; teen parents between 16 and 22 years old. Child care available. Special programs include: clerical/computer literacy training; computer-aided drafting training; tutoring.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call and attend registration periods.



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MARIA DE LOS SANTOS 500 E. Allegheny Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19134 634-1010 Steve Klemer

ESL

Description:

Classes in Conversational English as a Second Language.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Ms. Averell.

MARKET TRAINING INSTITUTE MTI Business School 27 S. 12th Street Philadeiphia, PA 19107 557-0220 ian Molish

Special Programs

Description:

Agency aims to prepare students for the job market in the area of

their choosen career.

Eligible Participants:

Anyone who is unable to read and needs help in

reading/comprehension.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Thursdays, Fridays - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Student should inform the instructor that he/she has a

reading/comprehension problem.

JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL Sellers & Griscom Streets Philadelphia, PA 19124 537-2521

Lynn Rosenthal

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading, writing and math.

Eligible Participants:

Adults from the community.

Fee:

None.

**Hours of Program:** 

Hours vary (during school hours).

How to Enter Program:

Contact Lynn Rosenthal at the school between 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.



MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON SERVICES TO THE AGING 1401 Arch Street, 9th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19102 686-8688
Rev. Repsie Warren, Executive Director Judith Mazer, Training Coordinator

ABE

Description:

A basic skills component to supplement job training programs.

Eligible Participants:

For all JTPA eligible persons 55 years of age and older seeking employment, MCOA offers a program of basic math and language

arts instruction, counseling services and job training.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Weekday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call Commission office.

MCKEAN HOUSE DRUG & REHABILITATION PROGRAM 2000 South 7th Street Philadelphia, PA 19148 755-1044 Sandra Glover

Special Program

**Description:** 

Center offers literacy instruction to people involved in the

program.

Eligible Participants:

In-house.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Vary.

How to Enter Program:

In-house.

MEADE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER
18th and Oxford Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19121
PO3-7776
Maryellen Eck

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing basic reading and writing skills. Teachers and aides volunteer their

time to ward with adults during school haves

time to work with adults during school hours.

Eligible Participants:

Open to all adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Times vary.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Maryellen Eck at the school.



MERCY DOUGLASS RESIDENCE 4511 Wainut Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 387-0761 Adeli Kelley - Janet Roberts

Beginning Reading

Description:

In-house program for senior citizens. All language skills will be

stressed.

Eligible Participants:

Residents of Mercy Douglas.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Vary.

How to Enter Program:

Call number listed above.

METROPOLITAN COLLEGIATE CENTER OF GERMANTOWN 162 West Chelten Avenue, 2nd Floor Philadelphia, PA 19144 843-6615 Mary Hangley

ABE

Special Programs

Description:

ACT - a 16 week, full-time clerical skills training program.

Operates 3 cycles per year.

LINK - a 14 week intermediate level literacy program, full-time.

Operates 3 cycles per year.

Eligible Participants:

Philadelphia adults over 18, low income.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:45 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 843-7023 for an appointment for testing.

METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL PSYCHOLOGICAL UNIT 8th & Race Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 238-2000 Yvonne Blake-Jones

Special Programs

Description:

In-house program for patients needing literacy skills.

Eligible Participants:

In-house.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Varies.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Yvonne Blake-Jones.



MILLER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH ADULT READING CENTER 1518 North 22nd Street Philadelphia, PA 19121 765-3616 Reverend Roland W. Jones, Sr., Pastor Mrs. Evelyn F. Joell, Coordinator

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

This center offers a variety of reading programs for interested community residents. Tutoring will be done by members of Delta

Sigma Theta, Sorority, Inc.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Flexible.

How to Enter Program:

Call the church for more information.

MINI VERSITY 1415 North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 765-2815 Mr. Eugene Frazier

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Literacy classes including ABE, Pre-GED and GED.

Eligible Participants:

Open to residents of communities listed below.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Evenings - visit desired Housing Project Community Center.

How to Enter Program:

Call 765-2815 for further information.

SITES:

Norris Housing Project 11th & Berks Streets Diane Gass, Coordinator

Johnson Housing Project 25th & Norris Streets Joyce Williams, Coordinator

Passyunk Housing Project 3111 S. 23rd Street Blanche Carr, Coordinator Raymond Rosen Housing Project

22nd & Diamond Streets Phillip Evans, Coordinator



MR. CLIFF'S PLACE 4611 Tackawanna Street Philadelphia, PA 19124 537-0559 Cliff Milburn

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

**ESL** 

**GED** 

Description:

Program is designed to assist adults who wish to receive additional training to get better jobs and to receive a G.E.D.

Eligible Participants:

Adults.

Fee:

\$5.00 for testing.

Hours of Program:

Varies.

How to Enter Program:

Call the site.

MT. CARMEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Nedro and Park Avenues Philadelphia, PA 19141 924-9174

Rev. Clarence Labor, Pastor Norma Fields, Coordinator

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

**GED** 

**ESL** 

Description:

Individual tutoring sessions available.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Come to church during tutoring hours.

MT. SINAI BAPTIST CHURCH 28th & Lehigh Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19132 223-7152 Reverend Joseph Fuller, Jr.

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

Individual tutoring sessions available.

Eligible Participants:

Open to church and community residents.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact church office or come to program on Tuesday evenings.



MY BROTHER'S HOUSE 609 South 15th Street Philadelphia, PA 19146 545-3011 Nancy Jean Berardo

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

In-house program.

Eligible Participants:

Men who live in shelter.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Vary.

How to Enter Program:

In-house program.

NATIONAL TRAINING SERVICE, INC. 117-125 N. 8th Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 351-0017 Suzanne Hawkins

**GED** 

Description:

Program offers GED instruction to students without a high school

diploma.

Eligible Participants:

Anyone enrolled at National Training Service, Inc.

Fee:

No fee for GED preparation.

**Hours of Program:** 

Weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (5 days per week)

How to Enter Program:

Enroll into regular, General Business Clerk course.

NATIONALITIES SERVICE CENTER 1300 Spruce Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 893-8424 Delores L. Howland

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

**ESL** 

Description:

NSC is a United Way Agency that provides social and educational services for immigrants, refugees, visitors and non-English speakers. ESL levels range from Introductory to Advanced. Classes address speaking/listening and reading/writing. 4 quarters: Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer. ESL/civics classes

for eligible legalized aliens.

Eligible Participants:

Varies with program.

Fee:

Varies - 0 - \$60.00.

Hours of Program:

Hours vary. Day and evening available.

How to Enter Program:

Call NSC for information and registration.



NAVAL FAMILY SERVICE CENTER
Philadelphia Naval Station, Bidg. 888
Philadelphia, PA 19112
897-5126
Debora Choike

Special Programs

**ESL** 

Description:

Literacy program for foriegn enlisted servicemen or spouses of

enlisted personnel living on/responding to Naval station.

Eligible Participants:

In-house.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

By appointment.

How to Enter Program:

Call Mrs. Cholke at 879-5126.

NEIGHBORHOOD EDUCATION PROJECT 1885 Howarth Street Philadelphia, PA 19124 Dorls Ottey

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

An adult basic education project which offers one-on-one

tutoring as well as classes. Goal is to help students receive

General Education Diploma.

Eligible Participants:

Adults 18-65 reading on 9th grade level.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Varies.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Center.

NEIGHBORHOOD YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM 1420 Hobart Street Philadelphia, PA 19131 477-2323

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading and writing.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

To be arranged by center.

How to Enter Program:

Call center for more information.



DAVID NEUMAN SENIOR CENTER 6600 Bustleton Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19149 338-9800 Susan Adams

ESL

Description:

ESL, individual tutoring, small classes. (Operating at agency and

at satellites in Northeast Philadelphia.)

Eligible Participants:

Senior adults.

Fee:

Free to all members of Neuman Center.

(Others \$10.00

registration fee.)

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (1 evening class.)

How to Enter Program:

Contact Susan Adams.

SITES

George Washington High School Bustleton Ave. & Verree Road Philadelphia, PA 19116 Shalom Arbor House 12003 Bustleton Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19116

Samual Tabas House 2101 Strahle Street Philadelphia, PA 19152 Robert Sallgman House 8900 Roosevelt Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19115

NEW BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH LITERACY PROGRAM

6153 Germantown Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19144

Evening: 844-9589/848-6530
Rev. Carl D. Ogden, Pastor
Ernestine J. Rouse, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

**ABE** 

Description:

Individualized tutoring is tailored to the needs of students. Diagnostic testing is used to ascertain needs of the students. Tutors and students are matched to make the learning situation

beneficial to both.

Eligible Participants:

All who wish to use the services.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Various - according to the needs of the clients.

How to Enter Program:

Call the church of stop by any Sunday morning to make an

appointment.



NEW CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH 2139 Lombard Street Philadelphia, PA 19146 office: 732-4267 Reverend Doman

ABE

Description:

Volunteer tutors offer adult basic education in small classroom

setting.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. and Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

. How to Enter Program:

Contact Reverend Doman.

NEW HOPE EDUCATION CENTER 108 E. Price Street Philadelphia, PA 19144 848-9660 Charles Bulford

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

**ESL** 

Description:

Individualized and group instruction for English Language Skills.

Also, there are capabilities for teaching ESL.

Eligible Participants:

All interested people apply as indicated above.

Fee:

No fee.

Hours of Program:

Flexible.

How to Enter Program:

Call for more information.

NEW HOPE LEARNING CENTER 214 South 45th Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 662-1663 Gerald Sterrett

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

Description:

Center provides one-on-one tutoring and classroom settings.

Also, art enrichment classes for high school graduates.

Eligible Participants:

All adults.

Fee:

No fee for literacy instruction. Nominal fee for "the arts".

Hours of the Program:

Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Some evening classes.

How to Enter Program:

Call or stop in during hours listed above.



NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CENTER 4727 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19141 457-2322 Agnes M. Smith

Beginning Reading

ABE

Special Programs

Description:

Program offers individual tutoring. Agency aims to strengthen the basic skills of the adults, to restore pride and increase marketable skills. (Emergency food program, free clothing, job counseling and referrals, drug & alcohol counseling, arts and

crafts, and a variety of other needed services.)

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Register at center during regular hours.

NEW WORLD ASSOCIATION OF EMIGRES FROM RUSSIA 2218 Glendale Street

Philadelphia, PA 19152 725-2706 Mr. Gregory Vaksman

ESL

Description:

Mutual Assistance Agency provides ESL classes to refugees &

immigrants of Eastern European countries.

Eligible Participants:

Refugees and immigrants from Eastern European countries.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri; classes ongoing from 9:30a.m.-9:30p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 725-2706.

RONALD BRUCE NIPON ASSOCIATION

1100 Oak Lane Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19126 549-0550

Paulette Chobot

Special Programs

Description:

Socialization program which is structured for Developmental

Disabled Adults. Classes include math, reading, daily living skills

and cooking.

Eligible Participants:

Persons who are club members.

Fee:

In-house.

Hours of Program:

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

In-house.



NORRIS SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 151 W. Susquehanna Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19122 423-9853 Laura Taylor

**ESL** 

Description:

Conversational English as a Second Language classes.

Eligible Participants:

Open to community.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday, 7:00 - 9:00 - ESL Monday, 7:00 - 9:00 - GED

How to Enter Program:

Contact Laura Taylor.

NORTH CITY CONGRESS - SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAMS Emmanuel Church
17th and York Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19132

228-2200

Barbara Parrish, Director Nina Cratis, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Program offers senior citizens tutoring.

Eligible Participants:

Any senior citizen who is a member of North City Congress

Senior Citizens.

Hours of Program:

Flexible; also Thursday, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

How to Enter Program:

Join North City Congress Senior Citizens.

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH/MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER Adams Avenue and Roosevelt Boulevard

Philadelphia, PA 19124

831-2857

Special Programs

Description:

Mental health clients serviced by the Center are eligible for

tutoring sessions.

Eligibel Participants:

Clients of agency.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

in-house referrals only.



NORTHWEST MENTAL HEALTH 27 E. Mt. Airy Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19119 248-6710 Henrietta Fulier

Speciai Programs

Description:

Center offers reading and writing instruction to day program

residents who want to develop their abilities in language.

Eligible Participants:

In-house students in day program at center.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Thursday, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

In-house referrals only.

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH 21st and Cambria Streets Philadelphia, PA 19132 226-5862 Reverend William Sullivan, Jr., Pastor Carmelia Jennings, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

**ABE** 

Description:

Program aims to develop language skills for interested

participants.

Eligible Participants:

Open to church members and community residents.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Call for further information.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Oak Grove Baptist Church.

OFFENDER AID AND RESTORATION 219 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 557-8131 Milton Berkes

Special Programs

Description:

Program helps inmates of city prison system obtain literacy

training.

Eligible Participants:

Inmates of the city prison system.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Flexible.

How to Enter Program:

Contact social worker.



OLNEY NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER 5th and Fisher Streets Philadelphia, PA 19120 457-0535 Elli Furstenburg

**ESL** 

Description:

Center offers help to community residents who want to learn or

improve their English skills.

Eligible Particpants:

Open to all adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m..

How to Enter Program:

Call Ms. Furstenburg at the site before class or at 951-1187.

OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY LITERACY PROGRAM

431 E. Locust Street
Philadelphia, PA 19144
438-1134
Charles Lewis

ABE

GED

Description:

Program offers basic education and G.E.D. preparation to adults

needing help.

Eligible Participants:

Open to community.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Vary.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Charles Lewis.

OPEN DOOR CLUBHOUSE CO-MHAR CMHC Good Shepherd Church Cumberland & Collins Philadelphia, PA 19125 427-5763 Lu Mauro

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Pre-vocational day program.

Evening/weekend social program.

Eligible Participants:

Members of Clubhouse Program.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday-Friday, 8:30a.m. - 4:00p.m., Monday &Thursday

evenings, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m., Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Intake at CO-MHAR Out-patient Unit.

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OPERATION OUTREACH 8215 Torresdale Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19136 335-8219 Mr. Robert Durison

Special Programs

Description:

The purpose of the organization is to promote the educational

and social welfare of the residents of Holmesburg Prison and

their re-entry into the community as well.

Eligible Participants:

Incarcerated men, 18 and over.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

In-house referral.

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS 1907 W. Tioga Street Philadelphia, PA 19140 225-5262 Sister Ann

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

We provide a program of one to one tutoring for beginning

readers.

Eligible Particpants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call the rectory at 225-5262 to set up an appointment.

OUTREACH FOR CHRIST EDUCATIONAL CENTER 528 Haines Street Philadelphia, PA 19144 849-2590 Elder Joseph Scott Mrs. Cecella G. Merritt, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in basic reading and writing. Also offers tutorial services for those

who are literacy but lack a HS diploma and want a GED.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and by arrangement.

How to Enter Program:

Call on Wednesday evenings for an appointment.



PARTNERS FOR ESL 1340 Christian Street Philadeiphia, PA 19147 271-2630 Janice Frick

**ESL** 

Description:

Classes in ESL, ESL Literacy and GED for adults. Computer

instruction is also available.

Eligible Participants:

Any non-or low level English speakers especially Southeast

Asian

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Computer - Monday- Friday, 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Registration daily 12:15 p.m.

PASS ADULT LITERACY SKILLS PROGRAM Administrative and Educational Services 9 St. Asaphs Road Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004-2405 668-9324 Jean Fleschute

ABE

GED

Description:

Provides a free instructional program in basic reading, math, writing, employability competency areas, and G.E.D. preparation. The program is dedicated to helping individuals identify and work on their individual goals. Computer-assisted instruction. Carfare and childcare may also be provided.

Eligible Participants:

Open to those 17 years of age or older who do not have a high

school diploma.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Vary.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Jean Fleschute.

SITES:

St. Vincent's Senior Community Center

109 East Price Street

(Germantown)

Philadelphia, PA 19144

St. Anne School Cedar and Tucker Streets

(Kensington)

Philadelphia, PA 19125

Impact Services 124 East Indiana Avenue (West Kensington)

Philadelphia, PA 19134



PATH, INC. OLDER ADULT ESL c/o Rhawnhurst Presbyterian Church Loretto & Lansing Streets Philadelphia, PA 19115 745-6606 Melissa Shuster

Special Programs

Description:

Mental health program for older adults. Class is provided on an

as-needed basis depending on client demographics.

Eligible Participants:

Mental health clients already in program.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

As scheduled.

How to Enter Program:

in-house program.

PATH, INC. SOCIAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM 7552 Frankford Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19136 333-8080

Special Programs

Description:

Special population - clients with emotional problems. Literacy

program offers educational support to clients in treatment.

Eligible Participants:

Social rehabilitation clients, only.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

in-house referrals only.

PENNSYLVANIA NATIONAL GUARD HEADQUARTER, 1-104TH CAVALRY 5350 Ogontz Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19141-1693 329-2622 Cpt. Anthony S. Gray

Speciai Programs

Description:

The 1-104th Cav learning center exists to enhance the military

education and progression of member of the Squadron. The material presented is sensitive in nature and its distribution is

restricted.

Eligible Participants:

Closed.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

On drill weekends.

How to Ente r Program

Must become a member of the 1-104th Cavalry.



PHILADELPHIA CENTER FOR OLDER PEOPLE (PCOP) 509 S. Broad Street - Main Branch Philadelphia, PA 19147 546-5879 Karen Auer

Beginning Reading

ABE :

Description:

Individual tutoring Basic Reading skills, provided to a senior adult

population.

Eligible Participants:

Senior adults over the age of 60. Does not need to be a center

member.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call Karen Auer, Program Director.

PHILADELPHIA CENTER FOR OLDER PEOPLE (NORTH BRANCH)
4400 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19140
456-9000

Carolyn Hemphili, Program Director

Eva Bix, ESL Coordinator

**ESL** 

Description:

Reading program is directed primarily at elderly Asians and

Europeans. PCOP's major aim is to acquaint elderly foreign

persons with American society and culture.

Eligible Participants:

Ali.

Fee:

\$1.50/class

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:40 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Eva Bix at 456-9000.

PHILADELPHIA COMMITTEE FOR THE HOMELESS 805 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19123

232-2300

Special Programs

Description:

Reading/tutoring program for adults who use the services

offered at the center.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday and Thursday, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Visit or call center.



PHILADELPHIA COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION

7904 Louise Lane Philadelphia, PA 19118 242-0294

Perky Cohen

ESL

Description: Individualized instruction on one-to-one basis or larger groups.

Arrangements as to time, place and days are at the convenience

of tutors.

Eligible Participants: Any adult or child who needs help speaking, reading or writing

English.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Times vary.

How to Enter Program: Call for information.

PHILADELPHIA HOUSING AUTHORITY (PHA) 1401 Arch Street, 9th Floor

Philadelphia, PA 19102

988-1424

James H. Robinson

ABE

Description: Adult literacy program providing basic literacy, levels 0-4 and 5-8.

Three locations: Fairhill Apartments, 2443 N. 11th Street; Morton Homes, 5920 Morton Street; Southwark Plaza, 401

Washington Avenue.

Eligible Participants: All PHA residents and residents of surrounding communities.

Fee: \$2.00 enrollment.

Hours of Program: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Contact James H. Robinson.



PHILADELPHIA OPPORTUNITIES INDUSTRIALIZATION CENTER, INC. 1231 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19122
236-7700
Phyllis Lawrence, Director of Education
Joan Barnes, Education Coordinator

ABE

GED

**Training Programs** 

Description:

OIC offers a pre-vocational training program with heavy emphasis on remedial education. Group and individual counseling are available. Comprehensive Competency Program includes

computer assisted instruction.

Eligible Participants:

The economically disadvantaged, unemployed and

underemployed, 18 years and over.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Feeder Program for initial interview and test. Students

should register at 1231 N. Broad St., Phila., PA 19121.

PHILADELPHIA SATELLITE JOB CORPS 4601 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 471-9693 Jacqueline M. Starks

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

Description:

Employment training program.

Eligible Paticipants:

16-21 years of age, income eligible.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Weekdays, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Open enrollment.,

PINN MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH 54th & Wynnfield Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19131 477-1060 Dr. Geraldine Gary

GED

Description:

Eight week summer program to aid interested people in attaining

their High School Diplomas.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Summer only. Evenings to be announced.

How to Enter Program:

Call Mayor's Commission on Literacy at 686-8652.



PRISON LITERACY PROJECT 120 Lancaster Avenue Ardmore, PA 19003-1392 576-1096 Mitchell Blatstein

Special Programs

Description:

PLP provides one-on-one literacy tutoring for prison inmates, primarily at the State Correctional Institution at Graterford. Program is managed by both prison inmates and external volunteers; special focus is 0-4 levels, not learning disabled or mentally ill.

Eligible Participants:

incarcerated men and women over the age of 18.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Flexible.

How to Enter Program:

Contact the hotline: 215-248-3494.

PROGRAMS FOR EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE (PEP) 1200 S. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19146 589-5227 Susan Madden

Special Programs

Description:

Sue Saxe

In-house literacy program and job readiness for clients of PEP.

Some computer literacy.

Eligible Participants:

In-house referrals only.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

As scheduled.

How to Enter Program:

In-house referrals only.

PTC CAREER INSTITUTE 2209 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 567-3104 ext. 55 Sharon Lewis

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

ABE & GED instruction offered to students enrolled in other

courses at PTC.

Eligible Participants:

Students enrolled at PTC.

Fee:

None.

**Hours of Program:** 

Monday - Friday

How to Enter Program:

Call Sharon Lewis, Coordinator.



REHOBOTH TEMPLE EDUCATIONAL CENTER
12th St. & Wyoming Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19141
455-7449
Bishop George A. Williams
Ruth Pasley, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

pre-GED

GED

Description:

Church tutoring center offering adult basic literacy training, pre-GED and GED instructions to those who wish to pass the

National GED examination.

Eligible Participants:

Open to adults 18 years and older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Classes: Wednesday and Thursday, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Individual tutoring available - hours flexible.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Ruth Pasley Tuesday through Friday between

11:00a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

RESEARCH FOR BETTER SCHOOLS 444 North 3rd Street Philadelphia, PA 19123

574-9300

**Special Programs** 

Description:

This Mid-Atlantic Regional Educational Laboratory, funded by

government and non-government source is available to provide technical assistance, e.g. research, evaluation, training.

Eligible Participants:

Non-specific.

Fee:

Varies with project.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call for information.

RHOADS SCHOOL YOLUNTEER CENTER 50th and Parrish Streets Philadelphia, PA 19139 TR7-4363 Ms. Fascione

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy.

Eligible Participants:

Any community adult.

Fee:

None.

**Hours of Program:** 

Open - Monday-Friday.

How to Enter Program:

Call school Monday thru Friday.



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ST. BONAVENTURE CHURCH 2831 N. Hutchinson Street Philadelphia, PA 19133 225-4254 Reverend Gerald Kellaher Ms. Mary McGinn

**ESL** 

Description: Classes in Conversational English as a Second Language for the

community.

Eligible Participants: Open.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Contact Ms. Mary McGinn.

ST. BRIDGET PARISH
ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM
3667 Midvale Avenue
Philadeiphia, PA 19129
844-4126
Sister Joanne Vetz, S.S.J., Program Director
Barbara Hinchcliffe, Program Coordinator

ABE

Description: Volunteer tutors from parish and community offer one-on-one

tutoring to adults needing to improve basic educational skills.

Eligible Participants: Adults in parish and community.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: By arrangement.

How to Enter Program: Apply to above address/telephone for evaluating interview.

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH 2916 Dickinson Street Philadelphia, PA 19146 336-1161 Sr. Marita Jean

**GED** 

Description: A GED Class is administered by St. Gabriel's Church. Classes are

held at 2916 Dickinson Street.

Eligible Participants: Open to all adults, 18 years and older.

Fee: \$10.00 registration fee.

Hours of Program: GED class is held Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Students should call for information; open registration for class in

September and January.

ST. HELENA SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER 6101 North 5th Street Philadelphia, PA 19120 549-2947 Sister Helene Nagle

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in basic reading and writing. Teachers and aides volunteer their

time to work with adults during school hours.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Flexible hours.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at school.

ST. JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY - ESL LANGUAGE CENTER 2490 North 54th Street Philadelphia, PA 19131 473-4430

ESL

Description:

Regina Brown

An intensive program which teaches English to prospective

students, business people or tourists at all levels of proficiency.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

Application fee of \$60.00: 4week sessions: \$590.00

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Part-time hrs. available.

How to Enter Program:

Students should apply at office. Classes are ongoing.

ST. MICHAEL'S LITERACY PROGRAM 6671 Germantown Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19119 848-0199-Church Rev. Janet Peterman Linda M. Buchhelt, Coordinator Janet Robert, Co-Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

**ESL** 

Description:

Program receives referrals from Commission as well as walk-in applicants, matches them with appropriate tutors and follows up

on progress and completion of program.

Eligible Participants:

All interested persons.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Tuesday and Thursday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call church or come to program.



ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH 1445 N. 2nd Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 739-2358 Sister Catherine Cellini

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

ESL

Description:

Volunteer tutors offer individual tutoring to adults needing help.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

By appointment.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Sister Catherine Cellini.

ST. VERONICA SCHOOL VOLUNTEER CENTER

3521 North 6th Street Philadelphia, PA 19140 225-1575 Sister Marian Vincent

**ESL** 

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading and writing. Teachers and aides volunteer their

time to work with adults.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday and Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at school. Open registration

from September to June.

ST. VINCENT'S LEARNING LAB 109 E. Price Street Philadelphia, PA 19144 438-1514 Evelyn Rogers

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Program aims to develop language skills for interested

participants.

Eligible Participants:

Open to community residents.

Fee:

Call for further information.

Hours of Program:

Times vary.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Evelyn Rogers at St. Vincent's Lab.



SANCTUARY BIBLE INSTITUTE - GED PROGRAM 5923 Wainut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19139
748-6510 748-6511
Dr. Audrey Bronson, Pastor

**GED** 

Description: This program provides intensive classroom instruction in all

subject matter that pertains to the National GED Examination.

Eligible Participants: Adults who have a seventh grade plus reading level.

Fee: One time registration fee.

Hours of Program: Summer only.

How to Ente rProgram: Entrance Examination.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA Division of Adult Basic Education 427 Monroe Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 351-7018 Matthew C. Knowles

ABE GED ESL

Description: The School District provides educational opportunities to adults

and out-of-school youths to qualify for entry-level employment.

ABE classes teach basic literacy, computational skills and pre-vocational preparation. GED courses prepare students for the high school equivalency exam. Both classes and tutoring are offered. In addition, in the Adult Secondary Program, adult students can attend Standard Evening High School, the same daytime classes as high school students and receive a regular high school diploma after completion of the required number of

credits.

Elgible Participants: Out-of-school adults, 17 years of age and older, can enter ABE,

GED and ESL classes and Standard Evening High School. The Adult Secondary Program for the high school diploma has special

requirements for enrollment; call for more information.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Hours vary according to location of class; see list of sites for more

information.

How to Enter Program: ABE and GED have open enrollment and run from September to

June. To begin Standard Evening High School, one must enroll

in early September and February.



#### SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA SITES:

#### **ABE Locations**

#### **Center City**

Benjamin Franklin Standard Evening Broad and Green Streets Philadelphia, PA 19130 Tuesday-Thursday 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

#### North Philadelphia

Columbia Avenue Library 2320 Columbia Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19121 Monday-Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Cramp School
Howard and Ontario Sts.
Philadelphia, PA 19140
Tuesday-Thursday
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Salvation Army - Germantown 11th and Huntingdon Avenue Philadelphia, PA Monday - Thursday 12:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Meade School 18th & Oxford Sts. Philadelphia, PA 19121 Monday-Wednesday 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

#### Kensington

Free Library of Philadelphia Richmond Branch Indiana Ave. & Almond St. Philadelphia, PA 19134 Monday-Thursday 12:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

#### Northeast, Near

Free Library of Philadelphia Northeast Branch Cottman and Oakland Street Philadelphia, PA 19149 Monday - Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Wyoming Library B & Wyoming Sts. Philadelphia, PA 19120 Monday-Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Library for the Blind 919 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 Monday-Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (Accepts other physical handicaps)

Little Neighborhood Center 1609 Poplar Street Philadelphia, PA 19130 Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Center for the Homeless United Methodist Church 20th & Spring Garden Streets Philadelphia, PA 19130 Monday-Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Salvation Army - Temple Corps. 1340 Brown Street Philadelphia, PA 19123 Monday - Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

McPherson Square Library Indiana Ave. & F Street Philadelphia, PA 19134 Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Northeast Standard Evening Cottman Avenue & Algon Street Philadelphia, PA 19111 Monday and Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.



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#### Northwest Philadelphia

Free Library of Philadelphia Northwest Regional Branch Chelten Avenue and Greene Street Philadelphia, PA 19144 Monday - Thursday, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Janes Memorial Church 47 East Haines Philadelphia, PA 19144 Monday - Thursday, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

West Oak Lane Library 74th Ave. & Washington Lane Philadelphia, PA 19138 Monday-Wednesday 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

#### South Philadelphia

Free Library of Philadelphia South Philadelphia Branch Broad and Morris Streets Philadelphia, PA 19148 Monday - Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Tindley Temple 750-62 South Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19146 Monday - Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Stinger Square 3115 Tasker St. Philadelphia, PA 19145 Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

#### Southwest Philadelphia

Free Library of Philadelphia Kingsessing Branch 51st and Chester Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19143 Monday - Friday 9:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

#### West Philadelphia

Bryant School 60th and Cedar Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19143 Monday - Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Germantown Standard Evening Germantown Avenue & High St. Philadelphia, PA 19144 Tuesday and Thursday 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Martin L. King High School Stenton Ave. & Haines St. Philadelphia, PA 19138 Tuesday - Thursday 7:00 p.m. - 10:00

South Phila. Standard Evening Broad and Snyder Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19148 Tuesday and Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

J.F. Kennedy Center 734 Schuylkill Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19146 Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Free Library of Philadelphia Haverford Branch 56th & Haverford Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19139 Monday - Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.



#### West Philadelphia (continued)

McMichael School 36th & Fairmount Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19104 Monday - Thursday 12:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

West Philadelphia Standard Evening 47th and Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 Monday and Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Salvation Army West 31 North Vodges Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 (Between 55th & 56th Sts.) Monday - Thursday 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Mt. Olivet Baptist Church 42nd & Wallace Sts. Philadelphia, PA 19104 Tuesday-Thursday 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

#### **GED Locations - Daytime**

J.F. Kennedy Center 734 Schuylkill Ave., Rm.612 Philadelphia, PA 19146 875-3737 M.T.W.Th. 9:30 - 11:30

Olney Library 5th St. & Tabor Rd. Philadelphia, PA 19120 548-3033 M,T,W,F, 1:00 - 3:00

Berean Institute 1901 W. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19130 763-4833 M.T.W.Th. 12:30 - 2:30

N.W. Regional Library Chelten Ave.& Greene St. Philadelphia, PA 19144 843-9800 Th.F. 10:00 - 12:00

Widener Library 2531 W. Lehigh Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19132 686-1999 M,W, 10:00 - 12:00

#### **GED Locations - Evening**

Franklin High School Broad & Green Sts. Philadelphia, PA 19130 567-7045 T, Th, 7:00 - 10:00

N.E. High School Cottman & Algon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19111 745-8087 M,W, 7:00 - 10:00

Paschaiville Library 70th St. & Woodland Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19142 729-4332 M.W. 5:30 - 8:00

S.P. High School Broad St. & Snyder Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19148 334-5800 T,Th, 7:00 - 10:00

Frankford Library
Frankford Ave. & Overington
Philadelphia, PA 19124
289-0530
M,W, 5:30 - 8:00

M.L. King High School Stenton Ave. & Haines Philadelphia, PA 19138 927-7200 T,Th, 7:00 - 10:00

Oak Lane Library 12th St. & Oak Lane Philadelphia, PA 19138 548-3431 M,W, 5:30 - 8:00

Roxborough Library 6245 Ridge Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19128 484-7107 M.W. 5:30 - 8:00



#### **GED Locations - Evening (continued)**

Torresdale Library 3079 Holme Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19136 677-0404 M,W, 5:30 - 8:00 West Philadelphia High School 47th & Walnut Sts. Philadelphia, PA 19139 474-4332 M.W. 7:00 - 10:00

Wynnefield Library 54th St. & Overbrook Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19131 686-0298 M.W. 5:30 - 8:00

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA
Center for Learning in the City (CLIC)
Division of Adult Basic Education
427 Monroe Street
Philadelphia, PA 19147
351-7018
Matthew C. Knowles
Robert Ladika, Counselor
Elleen Burdo, Counselor

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

GED

**ESL** 

Description:

CLIC is a collaborative effort among Community College of Philadelphia, School District of Philadelphia, and Temple University. CLIC provides instruction to adults to help them

qualify for job training programs.

Eligible Participants:

JTPA eligible; unemployed, financially distressed adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

See sites.

How to Enter Program:

Must have Social Security number, proof of residence and be 17

years of age.

SITES:

Hill School 32nd Street & Ridge Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19121 236-1020

Mon - 9:30-2:30p.m.

St. Barnabas Church 3rd & Dauphin Streets Philadelphia, PA 19133

426-1490

Mon-Thurs, 9:30-11:30a.m.



SENIOR WHEELS EAST LITERACY PROGRAM 2700 North 12th Street Philadeiphia, PA 19133 787-2930 Carlotta Ward

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to Senior Wheels East

members.

Eligible Participants:

Senior citizens who attend program.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Mondays and flexible times.

How to Enter Program:

Call center.

SHELTER FOR THE HOMELESS

D.C. Service - DRC/P 1360 Ridge Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19123 426-1122

Mr. Cohen

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

In-house program for the homeless.

Eligible Participants:

In-house

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Open times.

How to Enter Program:

In-house only. Contact Mr. Cohen.

SING, SPELL, READ & WRITE **American Family Services** 910 North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19130 765-1850

Linda D. Casraiss

Beginning Reading

**ESL** 

Description:

Total language arts program teaching reading, writing, phonics, vocabulary, comprehensive and extensive writing skills.

Learning all the rules of grammar by singing. Will bring a total non-reader to a 6th grade reading level. Emphasis on phonics.

Eligible Participants:

Beginning or low level readers.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Some Saturdayc.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Linda Casraiss at main office.



SING, SPELL, READ & WRITE
Deliverance Evangelistic Bible Institute
1436 Belfield Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19140
456-2165
Reverend Wesley Pinnock

Beginning Reading

**ESL** 

Description:

Total language arts program teaching reading, writing, phonics, vocabulary, comprehensive and extensive writing skills. Learning all the rules of grammar by singing. Will bring a total

non-reader to a 6th grade level. Emplasis on phonics.

Eligible Participants:

Beginning low level readers.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Some Saturdays.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Linda Casraiss at main office, 765-1850.

SOUTHEAST ASIAN MAA COALITION, INC.

4601 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 476-9640 Mr. By Sor

ABE

**ESL** 

Description:

The ABE - ESL program is offered to adults in 3 MAA Community

Centers: Cambodian, Laotian and Overseas Chinese. Pre-GED

class for adults is at Huong MAA, 2 evenings a week.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

4 days/week at each MAA Community Center, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Mr. By Sor.

SOUTHWARK HOUSE 101 Elisworth Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 468-1645 Dino Rossi

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing skills in

basic reading and writing.

Eligible Participants:

All adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Dino Rossi.



#### SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT CENTER

1341 South 46th Street Philadelphia, PA 19143 386-8250

Sister Catherine Veronica

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

The center responds to numerous community concerns. ABE is available to adults wanting to improve basic reading and writing skills. GED preparation and educational/vocational counseling is

aiso available.

Eligible Participants:

Open to the community.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Sister Catherine Veronica.

SOUTHWEST HUMAN SERVICE PROJECT 6408 Woodland Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19142

729-1790

Yvonne M. Downey

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

**GED** 

ESL

Description:

Program offers classes and individual tutoring. In-home literacy

for the homebound/disabled citywide.

Eligible Participants:

Program open to residents of West/Southwest Philadelphia. with

the exception of the In-home Literacy.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Yvonne M. Downey, 729-1790.

SPECIAL OFFENDERS PROJECT 121 North Broad Street, Suite 509

Philadelphia, PA 19107

686-6353

**Peter Solomon** 

Special Programs

Description:

Cooperative venture between Philadelphia Adult Probation

Department and CATCH, Inc. to provide supervision and services

to mentally retarded offenders.

Eligible Participants:

Must be already on SOP caseload.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Referred by court employees or city base service units.

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SPECIAL PEOPLE IN THE NORTHEST (SPIN) 10980 Norcom Road Philadelphia, PA 19154 464-4700 Judy Dotsman

Special Program

Description:

Individual and group tutoring assessed to meet the needs of individual clients. Success oriented tasks are featured to elicit high self-esteem as well as improved performance. Child care

available at a small fee.

Eligible Participants:

Open to all SPIN clients. In-house program.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Day and evening available.

How to Enter Program:

in-house referrals only.

STAR HARBOR SENIOR CENTER 4700 Springfield Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19143 Daryl Kezell

**Beginning Reading** 

Description:

Volunteers offer individual tutoring to help seniors who wish to

learn to read or to improve their ability to read.

Eligible Participants:

Anyone 60 years and older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Weekdays, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Become a center participant and request a literacy program.

STINGER SQUARE COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

3115 Tasker Street
Philadelphia, PA 19146
336-7611

Lillian Ray, Executive Director

**GED** 

Description:

Stinger Square aims to provide low-income individuals and families with the skills, knowledge and incentives needed to become self-sustaining. GED classes and tutoring are offered along with job bank and referral program, youth activities, and a

Latch-Key program.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday-Friday, 9:00a.m.- 5:00p.m.; GED classes flexible hours.

How to Enter Program:

Students should write or visit center.



SULZBERGER JR. HIGH SCHOOL 48th and Fairmount Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19139 TR8-0436 Helen Karp

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction with teachers who volunteer

their time.

Eligible Particpants:

All adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

School hours, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call school during school hours.

**SWENSON SKILLS CENTER** Red Lion Road and East of Roosevelt Bivd. Philadelphia, PA 19114 673-1050

Beginning Reading

**Dr. Ruth Horwitz** 

ABE

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction to individuals needing basic

skills in reading and writing.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call center for more information.

JOHN H. TAGGART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL **VOLUNTEER CENTER** 4th and Porter Streets Philadelphia, PA 19148 **DE4-0991** 

Jay K. Snyderman

ABE

Description:

The program will be designed to develop general literacy.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

To be determined (school hours).

How to Enter Program:

Students should call contact person at school.



**TEMPLE UNIVERSITY** Center for Social Policy and Community Development Joint Jobs Initiative - Literacy 1500 N. Broad Street, Room 209 Philadelphia, PA 19122 787-7491 Miriam Monges

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

The program provides academic remediation for adults who want to enter job/vocational skills training but lack basic literacy skills.

Eligible Participants:

The program is open to all adults in need of academic

remediation towards job readiness.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Ms. Miriam Monges.

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY Center for Social Policy and Community Development **Neighborhood Adult Basic Education (NABE)** 1500 N. Broad Street, Room 208 Philadelphia, PA 19122 787-7491 Shirley Harling-Rines/Archibald Allen, ili

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

**GED-Corrections** 

**ESL** 

Description:

The program is designed to provide classes for adults who want to improve their academic skills and/or enter job training but lack high school or GED certification. The GED-Corrections targets ex-offenders.

Eligible Participants:

The program is open to all adults in need of academic

remediation and/or job readiness preparation.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

GED-Corrections: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 a.m., Mon.-Fri.

Others: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

How to Enter Program:

Prospective students should visit Center for testing. Classes are

open entry and exit and are offered in 2 cycles yearly.

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**TEMPLE UNIVERSITY** Centers for Learning in the City (TU-CLIC) Ritter Hall Annex, Rm. 997 13th & Cecil B. Moore Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19122 787-5502/1842 Dr. Jenny F. Schultz

1500 N. Broad Street **Room 209** Philadelphia, PA 19121 787-7491 Archibald Ailen, ili

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

Job Readiness

Description:

Comprehensive program emphasizing reading and writing skills (2 classes per week) and mathematics (1 class per week). Job readiness training is offered (2 classes per week for 7 weeks).

Open entry and exit. Counseling available.

Eligible Participants:

Students must be low income, 17 years old and above, and

on-site certification by the Private Industry Council.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Each site is open five days a week, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call Dr. Schultz or Mr. Allen for more information.

**TEMPLE MILE - ADULT SERVICES** 1700 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 787-8835 Dr. Sarah Banks

ABE

GED

**ESL** 

Description:

This program provides tutorial and remedial services to community residents within one mile of Temple University.

Eligible Participants:

Open to all adults.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Times vary. Call program.

How to Enter Program:

Call or come to office.



TEMPLE UNIVERSITY
Pan-African Studies Community Education Program
Gladfelter Hall, Room 103
12th and Berks Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19122
787-1993
Muriel Feeling, Director
Doris Bridges-Dean, Assistant Director, Administration
Willie Rogers, Assistant Director, Curriculum

ABE

**GED** 

Special Program

**Continuing Education** 

Youth Program

Description:

The community outreach program sponsored by the African-American Studies Department of Temple University, offering courses in African-American studies, personal development, business-type, arts, fitness, computers and others; conferences and public community events; cultural programs, prison program, and various student support and referral services.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

Classes free; \$10.00 registration fee.

Hours of Program:

Classes are held 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday for 10 weeks in October and February and 6 weeks in May and June.

Classes are tuition free.

How to Enter Program:

Register in person in September, January and May.

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY: INTENSIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM 303 Mitten Hall Broad and Berks Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 787-7899

ESL

Description:

**Debra Young** 

Full-time English as a Second Language Program - 6 levels of instruction from beginner to advanced. Classes held 4 days a week; Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Language laboratory available from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00

p.m.

Eligible Participants:

High school graduates or students of high school age.

Fee:

14 week program: \$1,570; 7 week program: \$885.

Hours of Program:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Stop in and complete application form.



TEMPLE UNIVERSITY - PROJECT LEIF Institute on Aging University Services Building 206 1601 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 787-6708 Nora Lewis. Coordinator

**ESL** 

Description: Project LEIF is an intergenerational ESL tutoring program which

pairs college-age volunteers with older immigrants and refugees to tutor language and literacy. Program offers small classes in 3 locations, but is primarily a one-on-one tutoring program. Tutors

work in students' homes or community learning centers.

Eligible Participants: Non-English speaking adults 40 and over.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Contact Noral Lewis at 787-3212.

TENTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 17th and Spruce Streets Philadelphia, PA 19103 735-7688

**ESL** 

Description: Open to international students and visiting scholars to the area.

Eligible Participants: International students and visiting scholars.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. at Houston Hall, 36th and Spruce

and Friday, 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. at Tenth Presbyterian Church.

How to Enter Program: Call for information.

TINDLEY TEMPLE
750-62 South Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
735-0442
Mrs. Leola James/Mrs. Dorothy Hall

Beginning Reading ABE

Description: Center offers one-on-one literacy instruction to individuals

needing basic skills in reading and writing.

Eligible Participants: All adults in community.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Open.

How to Enter Program: Contact Mrs. James.

TOLENTINE COMMUNITY CENTER AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION 1744 East Passyunk Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19148 389-0717 Michael A. Ermilio

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

ESL Special Programs

Description:

Center offers classes in ABE, ESL, GED and languages.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None for ABE, ESL and GED (small fee for languages)

Hours of Program:

Call Center.

How to Enter Program:

Continuous enrollment, twelve months of the year.

TRIUMPH BAPTIST CHURCH LITERACY PROGRAM
16th and Wingohocking Streets

Philadelphia, PA 19140

324-8036

Rev. James Hall, Pastor

**Ingrid Montgomery, Coordinator** 

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Adult instruction offered in three phases: I. Personal Growth and Development (emphasizing basic literacy through life skills); II. Math and Reading skills; III. GED readiness; and GED courses.

Eligible Participants:

Adults 18 or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Tuesday, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.; Saturday, 12:00 - 2:00

p.m

How to Enter Program:

Contact center.

UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION 102 E. Mermald Lane Philadelphia, PA 19144 242-4200 Debbie Wolf

Special Programs

Description:

Provides training and/or employment to handicapped adults

eighteen years and older. Literacy is provided as support to

on-going programs.

Eligible Participants:

Physically handicapped adults.

Fee:

Literacy program is free for clients.

Hours of Program:

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call the Adult Services Department to set up an interview.



**UNITED COMMUNITIES, HOUSTON CENTER** 2029 South 8th Street Philadelphia, PA 19148 467-8700 **Thomas Bradley** 

ESL.

Description:

Classes of young adults and senior South East Asians do lesson

plans taught by a South East Asian Teacher.

Eligible Participants:

Any South East Asian.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. -

12:00 noon - 2:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Register at United Communities, Houston Community Center.

UNITED COMMUNITIES OF SOUTHEAST PHILADELPHIA

623 Catharine Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 627-6545 Karen M. Venturella

**GED** 

Description:

Program aims to encourage people to obtain their high school

equivalency diploma, by offering classes as well as individual

tutoring.

Eligible Participants:

Anyone 16 or oider.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

See below.

How to Enter Program:

Call site or stop in to register.

**House of Industry** 619 Catharine Street Philadelphia, PA 19147

Southwark House · 101 Eilsworth Street Philadelphia, PA 19147

627-6545

468-1645

Monday, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Monday, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.



UNITED POLISH AMERICAN SOCIAL SERVICES 308 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 923-1900 Richard A. Klimek

**ESL** 

Description: Currently two levels of ESL are being offered, beginners and

intermediate. The program is geared for those of a Polish

background, addressing cultural differences.

Eligible Participants: Open.

Fee: \$25.00 per semester.

Hours of Program: Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.- Polish American Cultural Center (PACC)

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. - 308 Walnut Street

Friday:

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. - PACC - 308 Walnut Street 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.- St. Adalbert's Lower Hall

Thompson & Allegheny Avenue

How to Enter Program: Pre-registration form obtained from main office (address above).

U.S. CHINA PEOPLE'S FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION 3701 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 EV7-0947 647-8542

647-8542 Emlly W. Yuan

ESL

Description: Agency aims to help visiting scholars and their families cope with

the language problems and to adjust to the American way of life.

Eligible Participants: Visiting scholars and their families.

Fee: \$24.00/12 weeks.

Hours of Program: Day and evening classes by arrangement.

How to Enter Program: Phone for appointment.



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VETERANS UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA 3933 Walnut Street, T-8 Philadelphia, PA 19104 898-6892 Frederick Whiten

Special Programs

Description: VUB is a program designed to provide academic and support

services to veterans to increase the skills necessary for obtaining a GED and achieving success in education beyond high school. Intensive basic skill development and refresher courses are

offered.

Eligible Participants: Any veteran who has served 180 days of military duty since

1955.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Monday - Thursday, 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program: Students must complete application, entrance inventory and

interview. Call for more information.

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA 2601 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19132 226-6400 Meivin Stokes, Client Services Coordinator John Whitmore, Case Management

ABE

Description: To have available an avenue for those residents to upgrade the

reading, writing, or numeric skills. The process would/will begin at the level the client says and tutors will the nassess the area(s)

needing attention. Basic reading, writing and numerics.

Eligible Participants: All residents are encouraged to participate regardless of

educational leve.

Fee: None.

Hours of Program: Evening

How to Enter Program: Please see caseworker and/or client advocate.



WARD AME CHURCH 43rd and Aspen Streets Philadelphia, PA 19143 726-4186 Rev. Katherin Baker-Rose

ABE

Description:

Program offers individual tutoring to poor readers as well as to

adults who would like to obtain their G.E.D.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon (day), 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

(evening).

How to Enter Program:

Contact Reverend Rose.

WATTERSON SKILL CENTER 1415 North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19122 236-6655

Albert Tallaferro, Records Coordinator

**GED** 

Description:

Center offers basic instruction to Skill Center students who are

working toward the acquisition of a GED.

Eligible Participants:

Students enrolled in Skill Center.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Thursday, 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Skill Center students contact Records Coordinator.

WAYLAND TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH 25th and Columbia Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19121 PO9-0243

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

The literacy program aims to help adults in the community lacking

basic skills. One-on-one tutoring is offered for beginning adult

readers.

Eligible Participants:

Community residents.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Times vary.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call church secretary at number given above.



WEST PHILADELPHIA COMMUNITY CENTER 5901 Baltimore Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19143 748-0711 Joyce Muse

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

Description:

Adult literacy instruction is available through both classes and individualized tutoring. Programs are available but not limited to

adult students in West Philadelphia area.

Eligible Participants:

Adults 17 and over.

Fee:

Donation.

Hours of Program:

Call for information.

How to Enter Program:

Call for information.

WESTMONT 101 West Johnson Street Philadelphia, PA 19144 Dorothy Freed 344-1900

ABE

Description:

(In-house) Reading/tutoring program for residents of Westmont.

Eligible Participants:

Residents only.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

To be arranged.

How to Enter Program:

To be arranged.

WOMEN AGAINST ABUSE P.O. Box 12233 Philadelphia, PA 19107 386-1280 Malaika Davis Wright

**GED** 

Description:

Certified teacher provides GED services to women in Agency's

shelter.

Eligible Participants:

Women in the Women Against Abuse shelter.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Scheduled as needed.

How to Enter Program:

in-house program.



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WOMEN'S SCHOOL 801 South 48th Street Philadelphia, PA 19143 727-0830 Ms. E. McFarland

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

ABE/GED classes are offered in reading, writing and math each term. The curriculum is built around the needs and concerns of neighborhood women, to enable them to improve their skills in preparation for the GED exam. Minimal cost child care also

provided.

Eligible Participants:

Women (priority: low income, minority, West Philadelphia

residents.)

Fee:

\$5 to \$25, depending on ability to pay.

Hours of Program:

Monday and Wednesday, 1:00p.m. - 3:00p.m.; Tuesday and

Thursday, 9:30a.m - 11:30 a.m., 7:30p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should contact school for registration information.

WYNNEFIELD LIBRARY VOLUNTEER PROGRAM
54th and Wynnefield Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19131
477-5576
Mr. Cal Cizek

Beginning Reading

ABE

Description:

Providing free literacy instruction to the community.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours:

Monday and Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Phone 477-5576 for Mr. Cizek.

WYOMING AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH 123 East Wyoming Avenue Philadeiphia, PA 19140 457-4109 Mrs. Florence McGrath

**ESL** 

Description:

Church members will tutor English as a Second Language to

community. Child care if necessary.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Friday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Call 329-8295 between 9:00 & 11:30 a.m. to register.



YMCA - GREENE STREET
5722 Greene Street
Philadelphia, PA 19144
844-3281
Mrs. Bonnie Hart, Program Director
Helen Andrews, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Individual tutoring in Reading, Writing and Math.

Eligible Participants:

Adults ages 18 and up.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Apply at YMCA - Greene Street.

YMCA CHAPTER TWO READING PROGRAM 1429 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19102 963-3725 Robert Bell

**Beginning Reading** 

ABE

Description:

Primarily individual tutoring offered by volunteers. Limited child

care available.

Eligible Participants:

Individuals 18 years or older.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Open enrollment; students should call their local YMCA.

SIES

Central YMCA 1425 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19102 557-0082 Diane Levy

Columbia North YMCA 1400 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19121 235-6440

Greg Green

Roxborough YMCA
Ridge Ave. & Domino Lane
Philadelphia, PA 19128
482-3900
Melissa Rodkin

Christian Street YMCA 1724 Christian Street Philadelphia, PA 19146 735-5887 Nancy Dent

Northeast YMCA 11088 Knights Road Philadelphia, PA 19154 632-0100 Ruth Ingraham

West Philadelphia YMCA 5120 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 476-2700 Lillian Harrisonn



YORUBA EGBE 917 South 23rd Street Philadelphia, Pa 19146 735-7677 Laura E. Garrett

Beginning Reading

ABE

GED

Description:

Yoruba Egbe is a community-based program offering the opportunity for remedial and instruction help in all subjects. Literacy skills are taught through both one-on-one tutoring and

small classes.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

Sliding scale.

Hours of Program:

Monday - Friday, 4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Students should call for information.

YWCA OF GERMANTOWN
COMMUNITY REMEDIAL TRAINING CENTER
5820 Germantown Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19144
438-5-020/438-6266
Debby King, Manager

Special Programs

Description:

Clerical and computer training. Upgrading literacy skills.

Eligible Participants:

Economically disadvantaged or unemployed.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

How to Enter Program:

Contact Debby King, Manager.

ZOAR COMMUNITY ADULT READING PROGRAM 1204 Melon Streets Roads Philadelphia, PA 19123 Rev. Raiph E. Bianks, Pastor Mrs. Helen Pack, Coordinator

Beginning Reading

ABE

**GED** 

Description:

Center offers literacy instruction and GED training to interested

individuals in the community.

Eligible Participants:

Open.

Fee:

None.

Hours of Program:

Monday from 6:30 to 7:30.

**How to Enter Program:** 

Call church or come to center on Monday evenings.



#### **APPENDIX 1**

#### **TEAR-OUT PAGE**

To update a program, or to add a program to this list, please fill out this form and send it to the Mayor's Commission on Literacy in Philadelphia at the address below. (If agency has more than one service location, please attach separate list.)

Name of Organization	n:	Acronym:	
Street Address:			
City, State, Zip Code:	:		
Contact Person:		Telephone:	
Type of Program:	Beginning Reading (Grade levels 0-4) Adult Basic Education (Grade levels 5-8) General Educational Development (Grade levels 9-12 English as a Second Language (ESL) Special Program(s)		
Description of Progra	ım(s):	<del>-</del>	
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Agency's Aims:			
Eligible Participants:			
How to Enter Program	m:		
Fee:			
Days & Hours of Ope	eration (Agency):		
Classes?	Individual Tutoring? Open	in Summer?	
If classes, please giv	re beginning dates & schedules:		
Client Capacity: Pres	sently served: Maximum: _		
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The Mayor's Commission on Literacy in Philadelphia City Hall Annex, Floom 702 Philadelphia, PA 19107



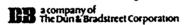
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