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# ESOL TAPAS

TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL APPETIZERS

## Present at the (Ohio) TESOL Conference

**CALL FOR PAPERS Ohio TESOL Conference 2008** - Columbus, OH  
Present at the annual fall conference October 31-November 1. Complete the Call by **June 9!** Available online at [www.ohiotesol.org](http://www.ohiotesol.org)

**CALL FOR PARTICIPATION TESOL Conference 2009** - Denver, CO  
Present at the International TESOL Conference March 25-28, 2009. Complete the Call online at [www.tesol.org](http://www.tesol.org) by **June 2!**

**TESOL RESOURCE CENTER (TRC) - MILE-HIGH CITY CONTEST**  
Submit resources today to qualify for the TRC's Mile-High City contest (deadline: **June 5**). Learn more at [www.tesol.org/resourcecenter](http://www.tesol.org/resourcecenter) .

## Resources & PD

The League of Women Voters has just released a **Civics web-based CD**. It's located on their "imPACT" website at [www.ohioimpact.org](http://www.ohioimpact.org).

**US Citizenship Test** 100 questions translated into 15 languages. Visit <http://www.cliniclegal.org/Refugee/test.html>.

**Profile Ohio** produced by Ohio Secretary of State, Jennifer Brunner is the 2007 updated version of the "Ohio Citizen's Digest." It provides information about Ohio's statehood, government structure and locations and people of interest. Request hardcopies or download it online at [www.sos.state.oh.us](http://www.sos.state.oh.us).

Learn French with **CREA-LANGUES** in the South of France this summer! Dodie Jerzyk of Canton ABLE attended last summer and highly recommends the 1 or 2-week immersion in French language and culture. Learn more at [www.crealangues.com](http://www.crealangues.com).

**Teach English in China** September 1, 2008 - July 1, 2009. Visit the Wuhan University website at <http://www.whu.edu.cn/en/index.html> to learn more.

Contact **Bob Eckhart**, Recruiting Coordinator,  
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## TESOL Book Sale

Order by May 31<sup>st</sup>!

Take advantage now of special post-convention prices for the following best-selling books:

- **CALL Environments: Research, Practice, and Critical Issues** (2nd Ed., \$25)
- **New Ways Series: Reading, Speaking, Writing, and Listening** (Each, \$15)
- **Developing a New Curriculum for Adult Learners** (\$20)
- **Revitalizing an Established Program for Adult Learners** (\$20)

Visit the TESOL Bookstore on [www.tesol.org](http://www.tesol.org).

## TESOL 2008 Conference Review

Excerpt from review by Marilyn McLaughlin, Cleveland Heights-University Heights



*More than 30 enthusiastic educators joined me at the TESOL convention to share ideas, opinions and questions during a 45-minute discussion session on adult ESL teaching/learning materials. Some suggestions were shared verbally during the discussion; others appeared on written lists that were collected at the end of the session. Some surfaced both ways.*

*Perhaps because my opening remarks were recommendations on classroom materials to promote listening and inspire speaking, our group conversation veered in that direction with ideas on more traditional print materials appearing mainly on the written lists. After first mentioning Impact Issues from the Impact Series (Longman), a book/CD of 30 varied discussion topics with stimulating questions asking for personal opinions, I recommended "Cathy's Cards - Instant Conversation in the Classroom," a boxed set of 270 cue cards. "Play Bingo!" said several teachers. Pre-printed or student-created bingo can be used to review numbers (cardinal and ordinal), irregular verb forms, holiday and other vocabulary. Check The Great Big Bingo Book (ProLingua) for lots of possibilities; my favorite right now is "Gestures Bingo" - played in silence. Another educator suggested Google Crossword Puzzles to find hundreds more.*

For the full article and other reviews, check [www.neable.org](http://www.neable.org).

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## 2008 Ohio Writer's Conference

Submitted by Denise Shumway, Sylvania ABLE

*Two Sylvania ESOL students were recognized at the Beginnings XI Ohio Writer's Conference in Dublin, Ohio on May 9. The mother-daughter team each submitted writing for the project. With over 500 submissions from ABLE students all over the state, only 82 were chosen to be included in the book. Maite Barrios' submission, "My Life as a Child of Divorce," was chosen for publication. Her mother, Alcira received honorable mention for her submission. Maite also received honorable mention for the artwork she submitted for the cover design.*

*These two students are the first from Sylvania ABLE to participate in the statewide contest and conference. Alcira attended ESOL classes in Sylvania for three years. This year she and Maite helped to pilot a new class - ESOL Transitions. Maite attended this class in the fall between her high school graduation and enrollment at Owens Community College to help keep her study skills up-to-date as well as polish her writing and grammar. Alcira attended all year and hopes to return next year, possibly as a volunteer in the ESOL class.*