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## Welcome back!!!

*We are happy to be back in publication for the 2011 school year.*

*Have a wonderful year!*

## Upcoming Events

**August 19, 2010**

**BEST Plus Training**

**Northeast ABLEResource Center/Henn Mansion  
Euclid, OH**

**August 20, 2010**

**Stevens Literacy Center and C/SE ABLEResource Center Annual Symposium**

**Online Computer Library Center  
Columbus, OH**

**August 20, 2010**

**Make It/Take It**

**Northeast ABLEResource Center/Henn Mansion  
Euclid, OH**

**August 20, 2010**

**New Teacher Orientation**

**Northeast ABLEResource Center/Henn Mansion  
Euclid, OH**

**September 9, 2010**

**Web Conferencing**

**Illuminate Webinar-Alternative Delivery**

**September 17, 2010**

**Web Conferencing**

**Illuminate Webinar-Alternative Delivery**

**September 24, 2010**  
**Unpacking the Standards**  
**Northeast ABE Resource Center/Henn Mansion**  
**Euclid, OH**

**October 9, 2010**  
**New Teacher Orientation**  
**Northeast ABE Resource Center/Henn Mansion**  
**Euclid, OH**

**October 15, 2010**  
**Math Kick-Off**  
**Northeast ABE Resource Center/Henn Mansion**  
**Euclid, OH**

**October 18-19, 2010**  
**Fall Directors' Meeting**  
**Location: TBA**

**October 21, 2010**  
**Virtual Book Club Discussion "Little Bee"**  
**Illuminate Webinar – Alternative Delivery**

**November 4, 2010**  
**Support Staff Training: Introduction to PD**  
**Illuminate Webinar-Alternative Delivery**

**November 11, 2010**  
**BEST Plus Training (Fall PD Day)**  
**Hyatt Regency**  
**Columbus, OH**

**November 11, 2010**  
**Explicit Instruction: A Proven Method for Teaching Adults (Fall PD Day)**  
**Hyatt Regency**  
**Columbus, OH**

**November 11, 2010**  
**ESOL Basics (Fall PD Day)**  
**Hyatt Regency**  
**Columbus, OH**

**November 12-13, 2010**  
**Ohio TESOL 2010 Conference**  
**Hyatt Regency**  
**Columbus, OH**  
**(Registration available in September)**

**February 12, 2011**  
**New Teacher Orientation**  
**Northeast ABE Resource Center/Henn Mansion**  
**Euclid, OH**

**March 11, 2011**  
**New Teacher Orientation**  
**Northeast ABE Resource Center/Henn Mansion**  
**Euclid, OH**

**April 8, 2011**  
**Making Decisions about Contextualized Curriculum (Spring PD Day)**  
**Location TBA**

**April 8, 2011**  
**BEST Plus Training (Spring PD Day)**  
**Location TBA**

**April 8, 2011**  
**ESOL Basics (Spring PD Day)**  
**Location TBA**

## **NAASLN Webinar Series**

**Building Graphic Literacy Skills to Pass the GEDR Tests**  
**August 24, 2010**  
**4:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

Did you know that 50% of the questions on three of the GED tests are based on graphics or graphics and text combined?

To learn how to build graphic literacy skills and help your students pass the GED tests, don't miss this NAASLN Webinar Series.

Register online for this upcoming NAASLN Internet-Based Seminar at:  
<http://www.naasln.org/webinars.htm>

## **Congress Declares National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week 2010**

The National Coalition for Literacy (NCL) invites you to join them in celebration National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week, September 13-17, 2010.

Adult education and family literacy programs serve adult learners who need to improve their basic literacy and math skills, improve their oral and written English, practice for the GED test to attain a high school equivalence degree, and prepare for community college or vocational training. According to the latest national survey of adults, over **93 million American adults** have Basic or Below Basic literacy skills that limit their ability to advance at work and in education, help their children with school work, interact with their health care professionals, and participate fully in their communities.

More information on *National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week* will be posted in the NCL Advocacy Blog in the coming days: <http://blog.ncladvocacy.org> . Resources will be made available to you soon to help you plan celebration activities. They will be posted at: [www.ncladvocacy.org](http://www.ncladvocacy.org) .

## Dollar General Literacy Foundation

Dollar General Literacy Foundation and the Ad Council are proud to partner on a national public service advertising (PSA) campaign that aims to help high school dropouts get started on the road to their GED Diploma.

These young adults know they need to get their GED Diploma but need to be reminded they can do it. The multi-media campaign launched in July 2010 and all materials will be available in English and Spanish. View the TV PSA .

All PSA's will feature a toll free number 877-38-yourged and a new website, [www.yourged.org](http://www.yourged.org), where people can find free referrals to local GED programs and information on the GED Diploma process. The program referrals come from a new comprehensive database developed in collaboration with the National Center for Family Literacy and ProLiteracy.

For more information on the referral database, please visit [www.nationalliteracydirectory.org](http://www.nationalliteracydirectory.org).

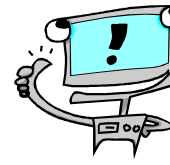
## Financial Literacy Series

Ohio Treasurer of State Kevin L. Boyce has announced a new financial education program for faith-based and community organizations in Ohio. The Ohio Treasury is supporting these local organizations by partnering with the Governor's Office of Faith-Based Initiatives' *A Call to Action* program to offer a series of free regional train-the-trainers. The trainings will cover financial literacy fundamentals, free educational resources and exercises on incorporating financial education into your organization and community.

The training series will kick off on August 31<sup>st</sup> in Dayton and will continue through mid-October. Additional trainings are scheduled for Columbus, Toledo, Canton, Cincinnati, Youngstown, Cleveland, Athens, Zanesville and Chillicothe.

To register for a free training near you, visit [www.ohiotreasurer.gov](http://www.ohiotreasurer.gov) or call 800-228-1102. For more information, please contact Clarissa Kornell at 614-728-0768 or [clarissa.kornell@tos.ohio.gov](mailto:clarissa.kornell@tos.ohio.gov).

# Matt's Tech Tips



## Tip of the week:

Welcome Back!

In anticipation of upcoming Fall trainings, we are conducting a short survey to determine what technology topics should be covered. The survey is five questions and will only take a few minutes. Please complete the survey by August 27th.

Follow this link to get started: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/25LN6FH>



## The Resource Room

### New in the in the Bodega:

***NCTN Toolkit*** – The Toolkit was developed by the National College Transition Network (NCTN) to help adult educators and administrators plan for the needs of students interested in pursuing postsecondary education and training.

***Do You Need Money for College?*** – This pamphlet will assist you in applying for federal student aid for college or career school and for most state and institutional aid.

***Student Success Handbook*** – This handbook will guide you with strategies for studying, note-taking, reading, and test-taking.

***Funding Education Beyond High School*** – This guide will help you through the process of applying for federal student aid. You'll learn about the federal student aid programs—grants, work study, and loans—and how to apply for them.

***Math Works*** – Achieve's new Math Works advocacy kit provides resources that make the case for why all students—regardless of their plans after graduation—should engage in rigorous math course-taking throughout their high school experiences.

***GED Connection*** – Produced by Kentucky Educational TV as part of the PBS LiteracyLink Project, prepares students for the GED exam and for the world beyond. 10 Discs

***Workplace Essential Skills*** – Four instructional strands help guide learners through the process of finding a job, fitting into the new environment, and succeeding in the world of work. 7 Discs

### ***GED Connection and Workplace Essential Skills – Complete Set***

Includes: 1 Teachers Guide, *GED Connections* (discs, set of books) and *Workplace Essentials* (discs, set of books).

***Beginnings VIII and XI*** - *Beginnings* is the annual publication of creative, original writings by Ohio ABLE students sponsored by the Ohio Literacy Resource Center's Ohio Writers' Conference.

**Dictionary – Kinyarwanda** – The purpose of this book is to assist the person learning Kinyarwanda.

**Dictionary – Kirundi** – The purpose of this book is to assist the person learning Kirundi.

## **Alternative Delivery Professional Development**

Register for these on page two of the Training Calendar at [www.neable.org](http://www.neable.org)

### ***New!! Little Bee, Virtual Book Club***

**Little Bee** is the story of two women whose lives are changed forever on a beach in Nigeria. The book intertwines the stories of these two women and through their stories, gives fascinating perspective on what it is like to be a refugee in a culture that often doesn't make sense.

For more information on how to participate in this virtual book club Elluminate session, please refer to our Training Calendar at [www.neable.org](http://www.neable.org)

### ***Special Offer!!***

The following is a special PD opportunity. Complete a PD activity, reading one of the books below, and you get to keep the book compliments of the Northeast ABLE Resource Center.

***ESOL Tests and Testing*** by Stephen Stoyhoff and Carol A. Chapelle

***New Ways in Teaching Vocabulary*** – Paul Nation, Editor

***New Ways in Teaching Adults*** – Marilyn Lewis, Editor

***Practical English Language Teaching*** – David Nunan, Editor

***Practical English Language Teaching – Young Learners*** by Caroline T. Lilnse

***Practical English Language Teaching – Listening*** by Marc Helgesen and Steven Brown

***Practical English Language Teaching – Speaking*** by Kathleen M. Bailey

To receive one of these books, please register for the Alternative Delivery Professional Development Training, Design Your Own PD, located on the Training Calendar at [www.neable.org](http://www.neable.org) and request the book you are interested in.

Read the book, submit a paper and receive PD credit. You also get to keep the book with out compliments!!

### ***New!!! CASAS Implementation Training***

This is an online course that ABLE Staff will need to complete in order to administer any of the approved CASAS tests. The training includes three courses: Using Appraisals for Accurate Placement, Initial Implementation Training, and Beyond Implementation Training. All three must be completed to receive credit and approval for CASAS test administration.

Register on the Training Calendar at [www.neable.org](http://www.neable.org) and an email confirmation with directions will be sent.

# Cultural Adventures



**September 19, 2010**

Cleveland Cultural Gardens

63<sup>rd</sup> One World Day Celebration

Join the Cleveland Cultural Garden Federation as we celebrate the Armenian Cultural Garden's dedication, naturalization of immigrants, and nationality song, dance and cuisine.

**September 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.**

John Carroll University, Lombardo Student Center

**September 17, 2010 at 12:30 p.m.**

Oberlin College, West Hall

**From Martyrdom to Hope: "Insisting On Life"** featuring Nasser Abufarha, Ph.D.

Nasser Abufarha will explain how his research on suicide bombers led to the founding of The Palestine Fair Trade Association.

## *Speaking of Lesson Plans*

### *Ten Steps to Using Email Lesson*

Submitted on behalf of Adjua N. K. McNeil, M.Ed., Volunteer Tutor at the [Center for Literacy](#). Students will learn how the basic functions of email usage including composing, deleting, and managing simple messages and email with attachments. Students will apply these skills in the home, the classroom, and the search for employment.

<http://www.ableresources.org/>

**The Khan Academy** contains oodles of YouTube videos on a wide range of topics at high school and beginning college level. And the lessons are free!

<http://www.khanacademy.org>

## Websites to Explore

### Welcome to *LINCS* Resource Collection News!

In this edition, we feature the Workforce Competitiveness Collection which covers workforce education, English language acquisition, and technology.

<http://viewpage.benchmarkemail.com/c/p?9tSN8Jgb1CY8zKph5PSgtg8yWHbZ5TLGCaAmoqaUB7oZ4i%252Bq0MtQIJqzaoRldUsLFv2MV%252B15ZeSyNn9v2rpEN%252FR58dPnyMVJ>

## ***Health Literacy Consulting by Helen Osborne***

*'Welcome! For many of us, summer has a different rhythm than the rest of the year. I have been spending a lot of time this summer "weeding and writing" -- helping our garden thrive and grow while doing essentially the same for health literacy.'*

*'My health literacy work this summer includes designing new presentations, producing more podcasts, and working hard updating my book. I've also been collaborating on some really interesting projects. What projects are you working on? Do you want some help? Please **let me know.**'* What's New in *Health Literacy Consulting*.

## ***Thoughts On Leadership***

*Thoughts on Leadership is presented as an attachment to the Friday NewsBriefs*