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ESOL TAPAS

TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL APPETIZERS

Bodega – email requests to bodega@neable.org

Family Literacy Math Lessons for ESL Students

Helping Your Preschool Child: With activities for children from infancy through age 5 – also at

<http://www2.ed.gov/parents/earlychild/ready/preschool/part.htm>

How Can I Help My Child To Read? Tips in 13 Languages

We Grow in Ohio - Coloring and Activity Book that your students learn to read to their children.

Web Resources

Holiday Learning Materials

http://esl.about.com/lr/holiday_learning_materials/379690/2/

Holiday Lessons www.elcivics.com/holiday-lessons-usa.html

How to Study Phrasal Verbs <http://esl.about.com/od/esl-worksheets/a/How-To-Study-Phrasal-Verbs.htm>

Learning Vocabulary with Word Forms

<http://esl.about.com/od/learningtechniques/a/Learning-Vocabulary-With-Word-Forms.htm>

Winter Holidays - www.theholidayzone.com

Ohio ABLE Library

American Holidays: Exploring Traditions, Customs and Backgrounds, book and audio CD, ProLingua, 2005.

Callan's American Holiday Jigsaws 2, Callan, Sing Harbour Productions, 2005.

Celebrate!: Holidays in the USA, US Embassy Stockholm, English Language Division, 2006.

Holiday Jazz Chants, Graham, 1999.

Promoting Reflective Teaching in Teachers: 50 Action Strategies, Taggart, Corwin, 2005.

Reflective Teaching in the Language Classroom, Cambridge, 1996.

Talk and Write: A Photocopyable Collection of Writing Activities, Morey, ProLingua, 2011.

The Teacher's Reflective Calendar and Planning Journal: Motivation, Inspiration and Affirmation, McGrath, Corwin, 2006.

Find library resources at www.ohioablelibrary.org.



ESOL Assessment 101

Not sure what assessment is best for your ESOL students? There are four tests to consider. Best practice says that students should be assessed in all four language skills. Sometimes that is not feasible. Consider the population you serve – low level, advanced, transitioning students.

BEST Plus – assesses listening/speaking (oral communication) skills for NRS ESOL levels 1-6

BEST Literacy – assesses reading/writing (literacy) skills for NRS ESOL Levels 1-5 only

CASAS – assesses reading skills for NRS ESOL levels 1-6, ABE levels 1-4, ASE levels 1-2

TABE CLAS-E – assesses reading, writing, listening & speaking skills for NRS ESOL levels 1-6

BEST Plus and TABE CLAS-E require formal face-to-face trainings that are offered by the Northeast ABE Resource Center. CASAS training is online and the BEST Literacy does not require any formal training. Test materials for the BEST Plus and BEST Literacy may be purchased at a discount through the Northeast ABE Resource Center.

Consult the attached Completion Chart for a listing of each assessment's scale scores aligned to the NRS ESOL levels 1-6. Levels on this pink chart were effective July 1, 2010 and are still current.

What about using **TABE 9/10** for ESOL students? Details in the next issue of TAPAS!

Employment Opportunity

The LEAP Intensive English Program at Wright State University is looking for adjunct instructors for winter quarter 2012. Classes begin January 3. Instructors are especially needed to teach "Integrated Skills" on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 - 11:40 a.m.

For more information, please contact Jeannette Horwitz at jeannette.horwitz@wright.edu.

Professional Development

Looking for professional growth activities? Try out one of the following below and look for new additions to the RCN Self-Directed listings on the Calendar of Events at www.ohioable.org

ELL-U www.ell-u.org See attached Digest for offerings.

Practitioner Research Reports on ESL Reading and ESL Writing from Atlas/Hamline University - www.atlasabe.org/professional/practitioner-research/reports

Refugee 101 online module – <http://learning.theirc.org/home/refugee/player.html>

Workforce Trainings for \$10! <http://workforcetraining.isu.edu/enrollment/archived-courses>