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## Upcoming Events

- **Advanced ABLElink**  
05/08/2008  
9:30-4:00pm  
Ohio University – Lancaster



- **Ohio Writer's Conference**  
05/09/2008  
Time & Location TBA  
Columbus



## Ohio Leadership Excellence Academy

A great opportunity has come to Ohio. Be a part of the Second Leadership Excellence Academy, a partnership with the National Adult Education Professional Development Consortium (NAEPDC) and ProLiteracy America. As we know, local program managers are key players in the delivery of quality adult education services. Like most of us in the field of adult education, Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) administrators come into this business "sideways" with degrees in everything from political science to home economics! Many have had limited or no preparation for the complex tasks of leading, planning, implementing and evaluating adult education services. That is why professional development of local program managers is critical to program improvement and quality services.

The Leadership Excellence Academy is an intensive, two-year professional learning opportunity that will allow ABLE program administrators to explore, adapt and apply leadership concepts and skills to help improve their adult education programs.

To be eligible, you must be a director, coordinator or lead teacher of any state-funded ABLE program and interested in exploring leadership issues pertinent to adult education and literacy programs across the state. They will be accepting up to 25 participants this coming year.

See attached application and support documents for full details.

## Contact Us

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# 2008 Effective Transitions Conference



The National College Transition Network at World Education invites you to submit a proposal to present at its conference on Effective Transitions in Adult Education to be held on November 17-18, 2008 in Providence, RI.

If you wish to submit a proposal, please visit:

<http://collegetransition.org/callforpresenters08.html> to complete and submit the online form. You will receive an email from NCTN confirming the receipt of your proposal within 48 hours of submission. Please visit the above site for more details about the proposal process. The submission deadline is May 30, 2008.

If you have any questions about the conference please contact:

Priyanka Sharma  
[psharma@worlded.org](mailto:psharma@worlded.org)  
(617) 385-3788



## History.com Upcoming Programming

The History Channel and [history.com](http://history.com) have an exciting upcoming educational programming line-up available with teacher guides and discussion questions!

New programming includes:

**April 1865: The Month That Saved America**

April 1865 covers the key turning points of this month, from President Abraham Lincoln's second inauguration to the final laying down of arms by the Confederacy.

**The Universe: Biggest Things in Space**

The Universe series offers an epic exploration of the universe and its mysteries, providing an in-depth analysis from the planets to the stars to the edge of the known.

**Modern Marvels: The Manhattan Project**

This in-depth portrait traces one of the most significant scientific, engineering and manufacturing projects in human history.

Check out [history.com](http://history.com) for a full listing of programs and resources.

## 2008 Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing



The conference will be held June 30-July 3, 2008, at the Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort in Destin, Florida. The concurrent sessions are approximately 50 minutes long. The entire conference schedule is posted on the conference website.

To find out more details about the conference, visit the conference website at: <http://troy.troy.edu/searic/gcc.html>

If you have any questions, please contact:

Terry White, Conference Chair  
(334) 670-3594 or (334) 670-3495



## Upcoming Literacy Cooperative Events

Writing by Writing – An ILN (Instructors Learning Network) Event  
May 9<sup>th</sup>  
11:00am-1:30pm

Becoming Culturally Competent: Diversity Awareness Training for Literacy Providers  
May 16<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am-12:00pm

For a full listing of upcoming events visit [www.literacycooperative.org](http://www.literacycooperative.org)

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## Worksheetlibrary.com

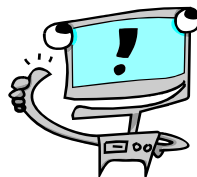


This week's featured topic area is Language Skills. Find worksheets for use in your classroom featuring: adjectives, capitalization, nouns, punctuation, regular/irregular verbs and singular/plural forms.

You can search the worksheet library by subject at:  
<http://www.worksheetlibrary.com/subjects/>

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## Matt's Tech Tips



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Instant Messaging Clients

If you don't use an instant messaging client, it might be time to consider what they can do for you.

An IM client like AIM, Yahoo Messenger, and MSN Messenger can be a way to reduce your email load by allowing you to contact a peer directly instead of waiting for emails to be sent around. Some IM clients also incorporate SMS (short message service) messaging that allows you to send text from your IM client to a cell phone.

Many IM clients also support voice, video, and data exchange. Instead of typing out a message, you can talk in real-time and exchange files directly with your peers.

The possibilities of this communication tool are as limited as your willingness to learn it and use it.



## Employment Opportunities

- **Adult Education Teachers**

Cuyahoga Community College is looking for Adult Education instructors for the ABLE and GED programs. There are several current part time opportunities, for day, evening, and weekend classes. The majority of the opportunities are off-site, so candidates with experience are preferred. Experience with ABLE is a plus as is experience with test administration. Interested candidates should contact Carmine Burkette at 216-987-3245, and send resumes to [carmine.burkette@tri-c.edu](mailto:carmine.burkette@tri-c.edu).

- **Project Coordinator of Immigration Services**

Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. seeks a Project Coordinator to work in its National Programs division in Washington, D.C. CLINIC provides support to the nation's largest network of charitable immigration programs. The new position will manage diverse legal and social service projects helping charitable programs serve low-income immigrants who are becoming: citizens; voters; civically engaged; unified with family members; skilled in the English language; and integrated into the U.S. society. A Project Coordinator must have at least three years of immigrant-related program management experience. Spanish language skills desired but not required. Salary commensurate with experience. Generous benefits package. Submit resume and references by March 31, 2008 to National Programs, CLINIC, Human Resources, 415 Michigan Avenue, NE, Ste. 150, Washington D.C. 20007. Email: [jnorman@cliniclegal.org](mailto:jnorman@cliniclegal.org). Fax: (202) 635-2649. Visit us on the web at [www.cliniclegal.org](http://www.cliniclegal.org). No telephone calls. EOE.

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# Grant Opportunities



## College Bound Scholarship

Coca-Cola Food Services and Chuck E. Cheese are offering a College Bound Scholarship. Maximum Award: \$25,000 college scholarship to an accredited U.S. college or university. Eligibility: legal residents of the U.S. and Canada who are 18 years or older at the time of entry. Deadline: May 1, 2008.

<http://www.chuckecheese.com/promotions/ncaa.php>



## The Resource Room

### New in the NEABLE Library

***The Idiom Book: 1010 Idioms in 101 Two-page Lessons*** and (2) CDs by Hal Niergarth, published by Prolingua Associates, 2007. Teachers may copy individual lessons for classroom use.

***Get With It! 101-Plus Pop Culture Idioms and Expressions*** by Harry Collis, Alta Book Publishers, **2008**. Idioms for taking action, for a hectic life, for assuming responsibility, for good fortune, for delivering bad news, and for everything else!

***That's Life! Day to Day Stories and Language Activities***, (Low Intermediate) by Ann Gionola, New Readers Press, **2008**. Fifteen engaging stories in each book portray diverse characters in interesting, often familiar, and sometimes amusing situations. Now available through New Readers Press in introductory, low beginning, high beginning and low intermediate levels.

***Excellent English: Language Skills for Success*** (Series), published by McGraw Hill, **2008**. The NEABLE Library has single copies of student books for levels 1,2 and 3 and workbooks and teacher's editions for level 1 and 2. Check them out for "preview".

**Are You Doing Spring Cleaning?** While cleaning desktops, shelves and closets, see if there are any NEABLE library books that need to be returned. Don't be embarrassed, just drop with them by any day before 4 P.M. Hope to see you and some familiar titles again!



# Thoughts on Leadership

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