

Adult EAL Volunteer Workshops – Spring 2024

SOME SESSIONS ARE HELD ONLINE USING **ZOOM** PLATFORM, OTHERS **IN PERSON.** CHANGES WILL BE ANNOUNCED VIA EMAIL PROVIDED IN REGISTRATION.

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1. Assisting EAL Literacy Learners (Zoom)
Wednesday, May 15: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Repeats on (pick one)
Saturday, May 18: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Rachael Fecyk-Lamb, Instructor Bachelor of Education and PBDE Programs, University of Manitoba; Education Consultant: This workshop will help volunteers understand the paths newcomers take when coming to settle in Winnipeg and how the initial year of settlement often unfolds. We will explore the diversity of newcomer experiences as well at some similarities. The session will focus on the specific needs of adult EAL literacy learners as participants learn how to support these learners in a classroom setting.

2. Diversity in an Adult EAL Classroom (Zoom)
Saturday, May 18: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Repeats on (pick one)
Wednesday, May 22: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Joan Birrell-Bertrand, EAL Instruction and Assessment Specialist:

Over the years, idiosyncrasies in Adult EAL classrooms have changed as new students with broader have settled in Manitoba. As this grows, teachers and volunteers face new challenges. This workshop will help you to be aware of and identify these differences, as well as to develop tools to respond -respectfully- to such a diverse group of students.

3. Managing Stress in an Adult EAL Learners (In person)
Wednesday May 29: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Repeats on (pick one)
Saturday June 1: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Kari McCluskey: Co-ordinator of the Vicarious Trauma and Resilience Initiative at Aurora Family Therapy Centre in Winnipeg; Adey Mohamed: Mental Health and Vicarious Trauma Facilitator at Aurora Family Therapy Centre in Winnipeg:

This workshop will give teachers and volunteers of the field some tools to navigate and manage EAL-adult learners' stress, especially from students facing trauma (i.e., war). Sessions are also open to settlement-support teams who work closely with this target.

4. Building Vocabulary for Listening and Speaking in an Adult EAL Classroom (In Person)

Wednesday June 5: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Repeats on (pick one)

Saturday June 8: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Aditi Sarker, EAL Teacher, and Tutor; Nataliia Hulimova, EAL Teacher and Tutor:

We will discuss how to structure and deliver activities that build new vocabulary to practice speaking and listening skills. We will look at theory and practical applications (techniques and resources) for relevant and interesting conversation groups at different levels.

5. Conversation Circles for Adult EAL Learners (Zoom)
Tuesday, June 11: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Repeats on (pick one)
Saturday, June 15: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Gail Foote Leylek has taught English in Africa, Turkey, and in the English at Work Program at St. Boniface Hospital:

This workshop will provide motivating ideas and activities to be used in online or onsite classrooms settings while supporting English learning. The ideas provided could be adapted to address various levels of English learners while creating a supportive atmosphere.