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RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

News For You is a great resource for Students with tips for Tutors who read along. It offers easy-to-read news stories that can help you learn to read, write, speak, and understand the English language. New stories are posted each Wednesday, along with audio, exercises, vocabulary, a crossword puzzle, a word search, and a poll online. The articles are based on reports from The Associated Press and The Washington Post news services. All content is thoroughly reviewed by adult education professionals and editors to ensure accuracy, low-level readability, and appropriateness.

Pick up a paper copy at the office, or visit newsforyouonline.com for the newest issue! (Password of the week is in the paper copy and also listed on our website.)

WAYS TO PRACTICE ENGLISH

Student Practice (ELL) - Here are some ideas to practice English in fun ways in or outside of class:

- Use labels. Make labels of new words and put them around your home, in your car, or at work so that you can see often.
- Watch TV shows or movies you like in English with English captions.
- Think of personal examples of stories you can tell with new words and show pictures of real people or things in your life.
- Read books about things you like. Remember - you don't need to understand all of the words. Use a dictionary to find the meaning of important words you want to know more about.
- Listen to music you like in English and sing along.

WEEKLY PLANNER EXERCISE

Tutor Tip (ELL) - Have your student complete a planner, on either a weekly or monthly basis, in which they show when they will need to use English. Tutors can sit down with students and help them develop the vocabulary they need for a specific event, such as a doctor's appointment. This is also a great time for your student to ask questions about an upcoming event they may have. Additionally, during a lesson, tutors can point out to the student where and when they will be able to use the vocabulary or skill set.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



NEW TO INSTAGRAM

Literacy Volunteers of Kent County is now on Instagram! Follow us @literacykentcountyr to keep up to date on announcements, learning resources, and more on our English literacy program.

WELCOME MARIANNE

LVKC would like to welcome Marianne Fung to LVKC's Board of Directors! Marianne is a tutor in LVKC's literacy program since our Fall 2022 Tutor Training Workshop. She is currently working with two students, and works part-time as an occupational therapist. Marianne is friendly, personable, and we believe she is a great addition to our board. Thank you for your continued support Marianne!



CONVERSATION CLASS

Let's Talk Conversation Class is a small-group ELL (ESL) program designed to primarily serve those ELL students, 18 or older, who are currently participating in one-on-one tutoring, or those awaiting a tutor. This conversational, task-oriented program helps students maximize their English speaking skills and is free to participants.

Let's Talk English Conversation Group is a great way to:

- Learn about American Culture
- Practice English Speaking Skills
- Make Friends
- Ask Questions

Tuesday mornings from 10:00 - 11:30 AM
East Greenwich Free Library (82 Peirce St., East Greenwich, RI 02818)

Virtual Online - Zoom Meeting (link provided after sign up):
Wednesday Nights from 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Sign up on our website at: coventrylibrary.org/lets-talk

coventrylibrary.org/lvkc

NEED FOR BOARD MEMBERS

LVKC is looking for volunteers to join our Board of Directors.

For more information on how you can help, please contact us at lvkc@coventrylibrary.org.

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