

Champion of IDEAS™

Overview



A comprehensive and systematic
English language development program
for middle and high school students



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*helping English learners realize their full potential
... one student at a time*

► Welcome to *Champion of IDEAS*

Champion of IDEAS was created to teach language. It is a rigorous research-based language development program designed for middle and high school English learners at all levels of language proficiency. The program integrates listening, speaking, reading, and writing with major content areas to prepare students for success in academic classes and is an ideal intervention program for struggling English language learners.

- Red Level is for Beginning to Early Intermediate Language Learners.
- Blue Level is for Intermediate Language Learners.
- Yellow Level is for Early Advanced to Advanced Language Learners.

► Here is what you will find in *Champion of IDEAS*:

Champion Teachers

The teacher's guides provide detailed lesson plans as well as guidance on how to use all the other program resources. Each chapter highlights the teaching time, target vocabulary (including social and academic language), and reading selections.



Champion Readers

These full-color, hardcover student textbooks feature engaging and age-appropriate fiction and nonfiction readings covering many different writing genres. The Reader features selections that address topics in all major subject areas including language arts, social studies, science, and mathematics.



Champion Writers

These full-color consumable student workbooks contain a variety of activities that students complete independently, in pairs, or in small/large groups. These activities provide students with listening, speaking, reading, and writing opportunities to practice, reinforce, and extend their learning.



Champion Testers

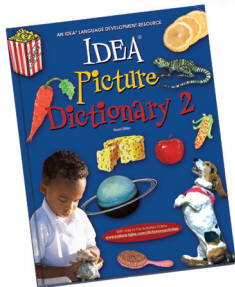
These black and white consumable student books contain end-of-chapter tests that assess listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills students learned in the chapter. The *Champion Testers* include one test per chapter that assesses all four domains to ensure that students are mastering the ELP/ESL standards.





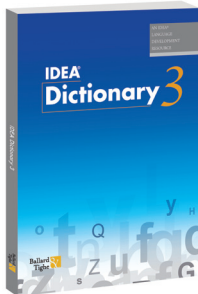
Champion Library

The *Champion* Library contains an assorted selection of nonfiction reading books which are integrated into the Red and Blue Level lessons.



Champion Dictionaries

The *IDEA Picture Dictionary 2*, an essential component of the *Champion* Red Level, is a hardcover picture dictionary that includes nearly 1,400 entries with colorful pictures, definitions, and sentences for each word.



The *IDEA Dictionary 3* was created specifically for Intermediate English learners and is an indispensable part of the *Champion* Blue Level program. This dictionary contains over 2,200 entries each including a pronunciation guide and one or more definitions organized by part of speech.



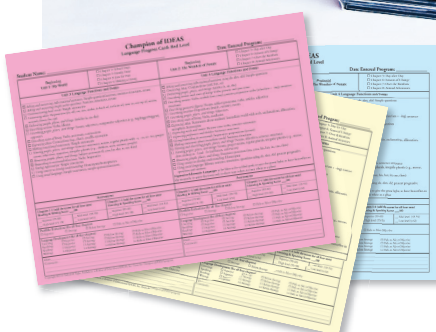
Champion CD-ROMs

These teacher resource CD-ROMs contain the *Champion* Placement Tests to quickly place students into the appropriate level of the program, and the answer keys to the Writer activities and Tester assessments. Also included are visuals, templates, word lists, and other teaching tools.



Champion Audio CDs

These CDs contain unabridged audio recordings of the reading selections in the *Champion Readers*.



Language Progress Card

The Language Progress Card enables teachers to view the scope and sequence of the *Champion* program and track individual student progress.





Champion of IDEAS™

English Language Development Program

Champion of IDEAS covers the five stages of English language proficiency: Beginning, Early Intermediate, Intermediate, Early Advanced, and Advanced.

Focus on Language

- Emphasis on oral language production
- Extensive academic language development
- Explicitly teaches grammatical forms and functions
- Integrates listening, speaking, reading, and writing
- Proficiency based

Focus on Best Practices

- Based on scientific research as to how older students best learn language
- Systematic and comprehensive scope and sequence
- Comprehensible input through real-world engaging themes and activities
- Accommodates many different instructional groupings (pull-out, bilingual, dual language, immersion)
- Variety of activities and teaching strategies to address different learning styles, abilities, and interests

Focus on Academic Achievement

- Rigorous content prepares students for success in mainstream academic classes
- Encourages higher order thinking skills
- Assessments track student progress and inform instruction

Focus on Industry Standards

- Aligned to a cross-section of national and state English language proficiency standards
- Integrates core content from math, science, social studies, and more



The *Champion of IDEAS* program is very easy to use ... the layout of the lessons is designed to bring success for students regardless of how much or how little experience teachers have working with English language learners. ”

Patti Hatcher – Teacher/At-Risk Coordinator,
Bowie Junior High, Bowie ISD, TX

Visit www.ballard-tighe.com to download sample materials, or contact your local representative for more information.

Ballard & Tighe, Publishers – Who We Are:

For over 30 years, Ballard & Tighe, Publishers has provided instructional programs and assessment tools to thousands of districts across the United States.

How We Are Different:

At Ballard & Tighe, ELD/ESL is not a component of what we do; it's all that we do. We believe that there is a difference between teaching English and teaching in English. *Champion of IDEAS* teaches English. It is a comprehensive and systematic language development program. In *Champion*, language is in the driver's seat. Research shows that oral language rehearsal is critical for students to internalize language. *Champion* provides students with ample opportunities for meaningful communication. As a result, reading and writing are natural extensions of oral fluency. The program also gives students ample opportunity to understand and practice social and academic vocabulary while building literacy.

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