

Start Strong: A Systematic Approach to Teaching K–12 Newcomer English Learners



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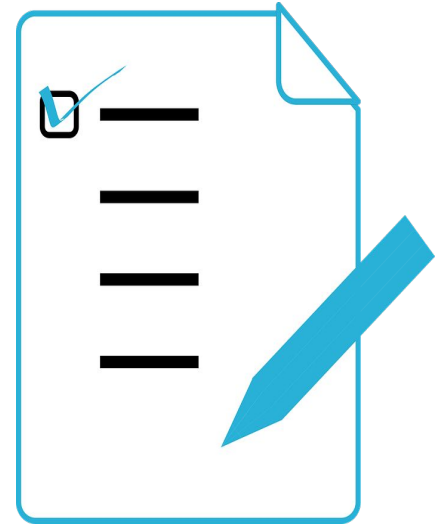
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Agenda

- Philosophy
- Targeted Instruction: Functions of Language
 - Strategies and Examples
 - Younger Newcomers: Pamela
 - Older Newcomers: Brenda



Philosophy



- **Structured systematic language development**
 - Explicit vocabulary
 - Explicit grammar forms and functions
 - Social and academic language
- **Balanced Approach**
 - Reading, writing, listening, and speaking
- **Targeted Instruction: Functions of Language**
 - Naming people, things, places, and actions
 - Responding to & Issuing Commands
 - Using Social Language
 - Asking and Answering Questions

Function #1

Naming People, Things, Places, & Actions

- Pointing
- Yes/No, Either/Or ?s
- Thematic vocabulary in context
- Picture and word cards
- Sentence frames
- Theme pictures

K-5 Students or Young Learners

Function #1

- Pointing
 - Introduce Target Vocabulary
 - Demonstrate the Task
 - Display/Restate Target Frame
 - Point to the _____.
 - Sub in picture card to find in room.
 - Repeat



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K-5 Students or Young Learners

Use physical objects or picture cards.

- Ask “Is this a _____”
- Teach Target Response
 - Yes or No
- Add difficulty, teach response.
 - Yes, this is a _____.
 - No, this is not a _____.

Function #1

Is this a pencil?



Yes or No

Is this a crayon?



Yes, this is a
crayon.

K-5 Students or Young Learners

Function #1

Thematic Vocabulary in Context and/or Theme Pictures

- Teach Target Vocabulary.
 - Mom, dad, sister, brother, girl, boy
- Teach Target Output & Commands
 - Point to the _____.
 - Circle the _____.
 - This is a _____.
 - Yes/No response.



K-5 Students or Young Learners

Function #1

Picture and word cards

- Activate Prior Knowledge using pictures.
- Show words and ask students to match
- Use pocket chart to show words and pictures
 - Introduce the picture and word
 - Ask students to play i-spy w/ the picture card to match.
 - Hide objects around the room, ask students to find _____.
- Play matching games with the cards. (get creative)



Function #1

K-5 Students or Young Learners

- Sentence frames
 - Visual aide for student output
 - Practice matching words with sounds.
 - Give visual of conversation turns
 - Teach word/letter sounds to sound out words

Do you have _____?

C1F5

Yes, I do.

C1F6

For Older Newcomers:

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(Beg./ Early Int.)
- Thematic vocabulary in context
 - Word lists:
 - Parts of speech
 - Noticing and revisiting
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Theme Picture #1: A Family Picnic

Unit 1, Chapter 1: My Family

Target Vocabulary: baby, boy, brother, children, family, father, girl, man, mother, sister, woman

TEACHING TIP

Focus on students' ability to listen and respond non-verbally or with a one-word response. Have students point, nod, draw, act out, or answer in single-word responses. Ask yes/no questions and repeat your commands as often as necessary for students to understand.

BEGINNING LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

Show students the theme picture and say: **This is a picture of a family at a park. They are having a picnic. They are eating food and talking to each other.**

Listening and Speaking

- Point to the mother. Point to the father. Where is the boy? Where is the sister? Is there a baby? Point to the baby. Where is the man? Where is the woman? Point to the family. Help students as needed.
- Point to the baby and say: **Is this the father? Is this the mother? Is this the baby? That's right! This is the baby.** Point to the father and say: **Is this the woman? Is it the father? That's right! This is the father.** Continue pointing to the pictures and asking students yes/no questions.
- Point to the mother and say: **This is the _____. Yes, this is the mother (or woman).** Point to the brother and say: **This is the _____. Yes, this is the brother (or boy).** Continue with other target vocabulary.
- Hold up the theme picture and say: **This is a boy. What is the first sound in the word *boy*? [b]** This is a father. What is the first sound in the word *father*? [f] This is a brother. What is the first sound in the word *brother*? [b] Continue with other beginning sounds students have learned.

Reading and Writing

- Write the target vocabulary words on the board. Point to the word *children* and ask: **What word is this? That's right, it's *children*.** Hold up the theme picture. **Point to the children in this picture.** Continue with the other target vocabulary.
- Hold up each target vocabulary word card and read it aloud. Have a student volunteer take the card, read it aloud, and point to the corresponding person in the theme picture.

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES FOR OTHER LEVELS

Early Intermediate: Focus on students' ability to speak in short, simple sentences. Have them describe the picture. Ask questions: **What is happening in this picture? What are the children doing? What is the father doing? What is the mother doing?** Have students write a sentence explaining what is happening in this picture and then read it to a partner.

Intermediate: Students are starting to speak in complex sentences and they are able to form opinions when prompted. Ask questions such as: **Is the family having fun? Why do you think the father is smiling? Do you think this family is happy?** Have students write a paragraph explaining whether they think the family is happy and why. Have students read their paragraphs to a partner.

Early Advanced: Students are speaking in complex and compound sentences and should be able to debate a position and analyze text. Ask questions: **What do you think would happen if it started to rain during this family's picnic? What do you think each person would do if it started raining? What would you do if you were having a picnic and it started raining?** Have students write a short story using this prompt: *The family thought it would be a great day for a picnic, but you'll never guess what happened!* Have students read their stories to a partner.

Advanced: Students are able to listen, speak, read, and write proficiently in English. Ask students: **Is your family similar to the family in the picture? How are they alike? How are they different? If you were going to plan the perfect picnic for your family, what would you plan? What food would you bring? What activities would you have? Would your family members enjoy it? Why or why not?** Have students write a short essay on "the perfect picnic" and then read it to a partner.

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Nouns 1

board

flag

room

book

keyboard

school

chair

monitor

student

clock

mouse

table

computer

paper

teacher

desk

pen

window

door

principal

Verbs 1

to close

to open

to take

to feel

to point

to tell

to go

to raise

to wait

to help

to say

to walk

to listen

to see

to write

to look

to show

to match

to sit

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Disappearing Vocabulary

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My First Day of School



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board (white board) - “Picture This”





board (white board)



board (white board) - “Picture This” combined



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Function #1

By Mariko Yamaguchi

It is a warm September morning. I walk through the big **door** at the front of my new **school**. I do not see even one **student** that I know. I feel nervous. I see the **principal**. He looks at me and says, "Good morning." I feel more nervous.



This is my new school.

Words in Context

- Pointing
 - yes/no
 - Either/or
 - yes/no
 - Circle, underline, highlight
 - name
- Worksheets
- Sentence frames
- Categorizing
- Matching
- Drag and drop slides - T chart
 - Images
 - words

T-CHART



1. This is a

Function #1



4. Is this a keyboard?

☐

yes

☐

no



Word Bank

board
book
chair
clock

computer
desk
door
flag

keyboard
monitor
mouse
paper

pen
principal
room
school

student
table
✓ teacher
window



1.



2.



3.



4.



5.



6.

Function #2

Responding to & Issuing Commands

- Classroom, survival, testing, and social language
 - Picture and word cards
 - Sentence frames
 - Theme pictures

K-5 Students or Young Learners

Responding to & Issuing Commands

Function #2

Classroom Language

- Raise Your Hand
- Sit Down
- Line Up
- Walk Quietly
- Put the _____ in the _____.
- What is the homework?
- Can I have a pencil/paper/ marker ?



Function #2

For Older Newcomers:

Responding to & Issuing Commands

- Classroom, survival, testing, and social language
 - Sentence frames
 - Verbs/ Commands: Act Out
 - Practice/ Assess

For Older Newcomers:

Function #2

Verbs/ Commands

- Verbs: action words
 - Open
 - Point to
 - Pick up
 - Show me
 - Open to
 - Raise your hand
- Assess one on one

Function #3

Using Social Language for All Ages

- Greet people/ introductions
- Communicating basic needs
- Asking for help/ permission
- Sentence frames
- Theme pictures
- Add to dialogue

Function #3

Using Social Language

Survival Language

- Hello!
- My name is _____.
- My teacher is _____.
- I need help!
- Do you speak _____?
- I am hungry



What is your name?

My name is _____.



Function #3

Using Social Language with Peers

Social Language

- Hey!
- Whats up?
- Can you say that slower?
- I am ____ years old.
- I like to ____.
- Do you want to be my friend?
- Do you want to play?
- Where is the lunch room?



Do you like to play _____?

C2F11

_____ like to play _____.

C2F12

_____ don't like to play _____.

C2F13



Asking for Help or Permission

- I don't understand.
 - I don't speak English.
 - I do not know how to do that.
 - Please help me.
- Can you help me?
- Bathroom
 - Where is the bathroom?
 - Can I use the bathroom?
- Building Walk activity

Function #3



Function #3

Using Dialogue to Teach Social Language

- Dialogue
 - Start basic conversation using Sentence Frames
 - Begin a conversation in a visual, have students add their own flow
 - Pair conversations
- Make a comic strip with dialogue
 - Give images
 - Allow students to write



Function #4

Asking and Answering Questions for All Ages

- Start with Yes/No, either/or, one word responses
 - Adjectives: yes/no, either/or
 - Answer in complete sentences
- Who/ What is, What do you see, Where, When, Why?
 - Sentence frames
 - Images
 - Charts
 - Add to dialogue
 - Native language use

Function #4

Yes/No, Either/Or, One Word Responses

- Adjectives
 - Big versus little
 - Colors
- Warm Up
 - Do you go to school?
 - What school do you go to?
- Answer in complete sentences
- Assess one on one

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Function #4

What do you see?

- What do you see in this picture? I see a/an...
 - Point to...

My First Day of School



Saturday: My Favorite Day of the Week



Ask Questions about a Text

Saturday: My Favorite Day of the Week

By Mary Patricia Castillo

I love Saturday. It is the day of the week when I do not have to work or go to school. In the morning I stay at home. I eat breakfast with my **family**. My **mother**, my two **brothers**, and I sit outside at the table. Sometimes we pick vegetables from our garden.

This is a picture of my family at the table. You can see my mother, me, my brother Sal, and my brother Juan. Sal is short. Juan is tall.



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Asking and Answering Questions

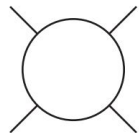
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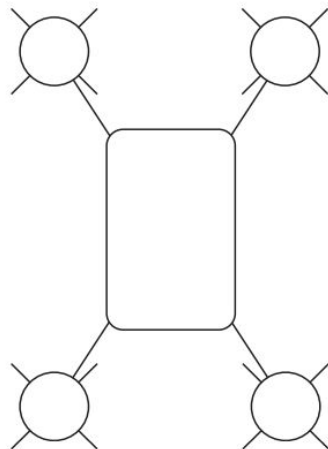
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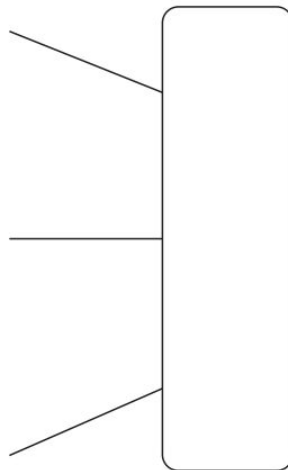
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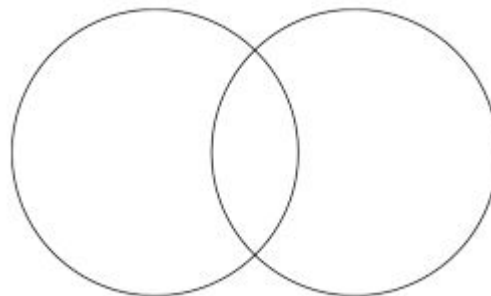
WORD AND CONCEPT WEB



WORD MAP



Venn Diagram



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Native Language Use

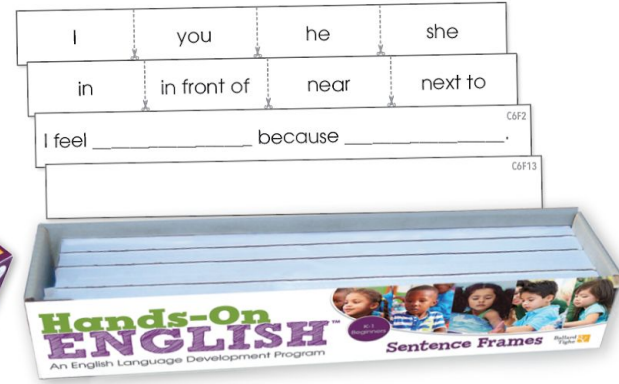
- Use when necessary
- For a specific purpose
- How do you say that in English?
- Looking up vocabulary: dictionaries

Function #4



| | Hands-On English | Carousel of IDEAS | Frames for Fluency | Champion of IDEAS |
|----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Type of Materials | Comprehensive | Comprehensive | Supplemental | Comprehensive |
| Grade Levels | K-1/2 | K-5/6 | K-12 | 6-12 |
| Proficiency Levels | L1 and L2 | L1-L5 | Elem (L1-L5) Secondary (L1-L2) | L1-L5 |
| Skills Practiced | RWLS | RWLS | SL (little RW) | RWLS |
| Assessment | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Time Frame: (per day) | 1 year @ 60 minutes 2 years @ 30 minutes | 4 years @ 45 minutes | 4 years @ 15 minutes | 4 years @ 50 minutes |
| Digital Materials | Teacher e-port to support instruction | Digital downloads for teachers | Digital Theme Pictures for teachers | Digital Teacher and Student Platform as well as a paper-based edition |

Hands-On English (K-1)



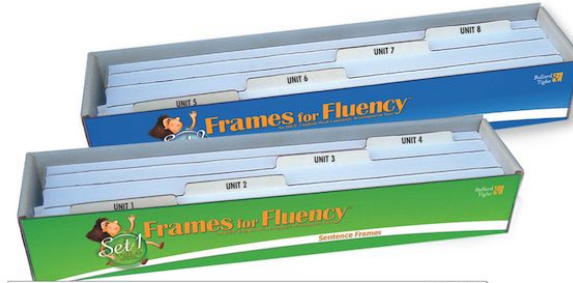
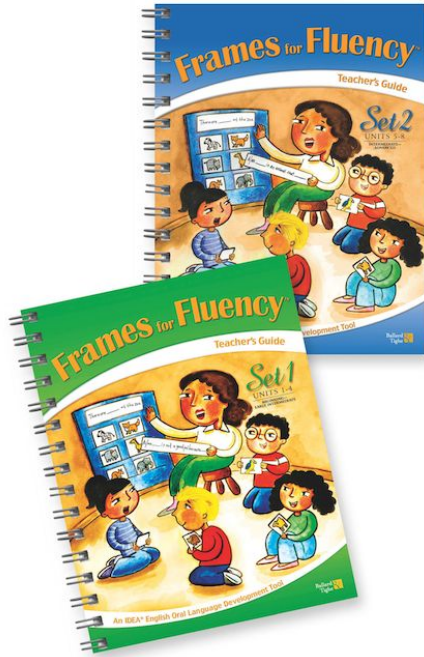
EnglishMats (K-5)



Carousel of IDEAS (K-5)



Frames for Fluency (K-12)



I feel _____ because _____.

Set 2/LC19

What is the _____ doing?

Set 2/LC19



(pocket chart & stand not included)

Champion of IDEAS (6-12)



Students

monitor learning. practice online. interact with content.

- Self-checks to monitor learning
- Interactive content and practice
- Annotated tools to support reading comprehension
- Scaffolds to support learning

English & Spanish Language Proficiency Tests (Pre-K–12)

Ideal for:

- Pre-K & Headstart Programs
- Dual Language Programs
- Identification, Placement & Program Decisions
- Annual & Progress Monitoring
- Redesignation

Diagnostic Profile of a Student's Test Performance

| | Insufficient items administered to provide diagnostic information | Relative Weakness | | |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|---|--------|
| | | None | Mild | Severe |
| Diagnostic Dimension* | | Vocabulary | | |
| | | | Grammar | |
| | | Comprehension | | |
| | | | Language Functions (including academic language) | |
| | | | Listening | |
| | | Speaking | | |
| | | BICS (social language) | | |

IPT Oral English Diagnostic Report:

- Provides a language skills profile.
- Evaluates student's strengths and weaknesses in relation to the overall proficiency level.
- For example, this profile indicates that the student has good control of vocabulary, comprehension, speaking, and basic interpersonal communication skills (BICS) or social language, for which he/she is on the way to reaching the next proficiency level. However, his/her control of grammar, language functions, and listening shows some weaknesses.



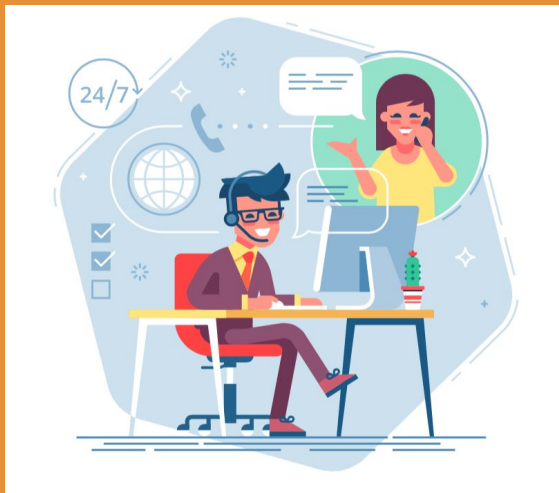
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