Using Technology with Adult Learners

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Literally Changing Lives

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The Digital Divide

One in five American adults does not use the Internet

- Senior citizens

- Adults with less than a high school education

- Households earning less than $30,000 per year

- Those who took the Pew Internet Survey* in Spanish rather than English

Source: http://www.pewinternet.org/ *

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Internet Use

- 43% of adults who have not completed high school use the Internet
- 71% of high school graduates
- 94% of college graduates.

Household income is a predictor of Internet use

- Only 62% of those earning less than $30,000 use the Internet

Source: http://www.pewinternet.org/

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Among adults who do not use the Internet…

- They don't think the Internet is relevant to them.

- Most have never used the Internet, and have no one in their household who does.

- One in five know enough about technology to start using the Internet on their own

- Only one in ten are interested in using the Internet or email in the future.

Source: http://www.pewinternet.org/

Computer Access

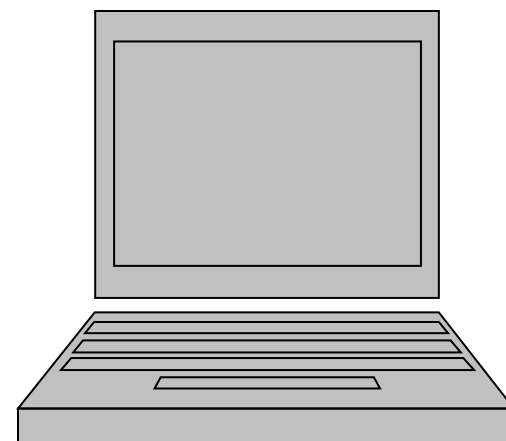**Does your learner have computer access at home?**

Learn how to access the computers at the library with your learner.

Computer Classes

Free Computer Classes at the Library

In English and Spanish and

classes designed for those 60+

- Using a Mouse
- Touch Typing
- Internet Basics
- Microsoft Word
- Google Docs
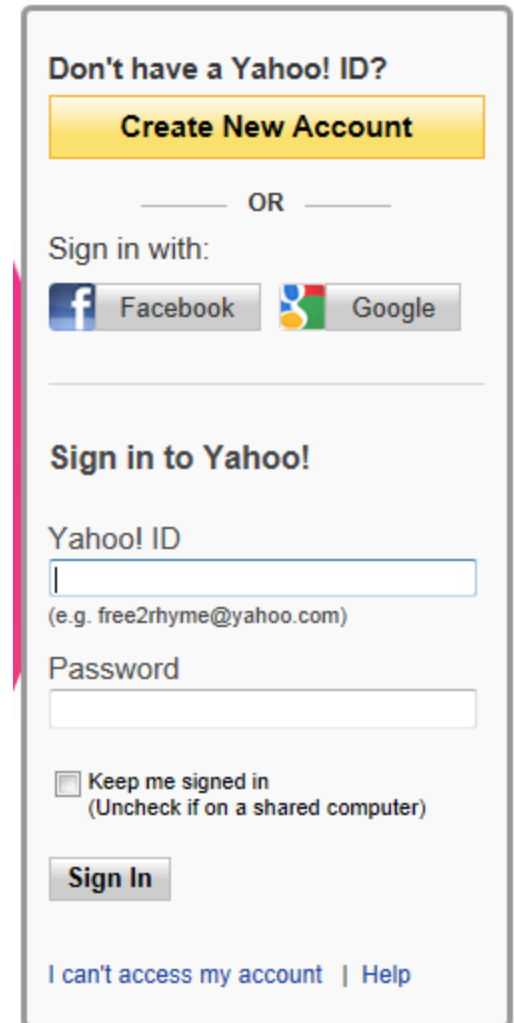- Internet Explorer
- E-readers

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E-mail

Help your learner sign up for a free e-mail account using Google, Yahoo! or other provider.

- Send an e-mail message between your meetings.

- Use e-mail to confirm or cancel your tutoring sessions.

- E-mail for writing practice when you cannot meet.

Don't have a Yahoo! ID?

Create New Account

——— OR ———

Sign in with:

Facebook   Google

Sign in to Yahoo!

Yahoo! ID

(e.g. free2rhyme@yahoo.com)

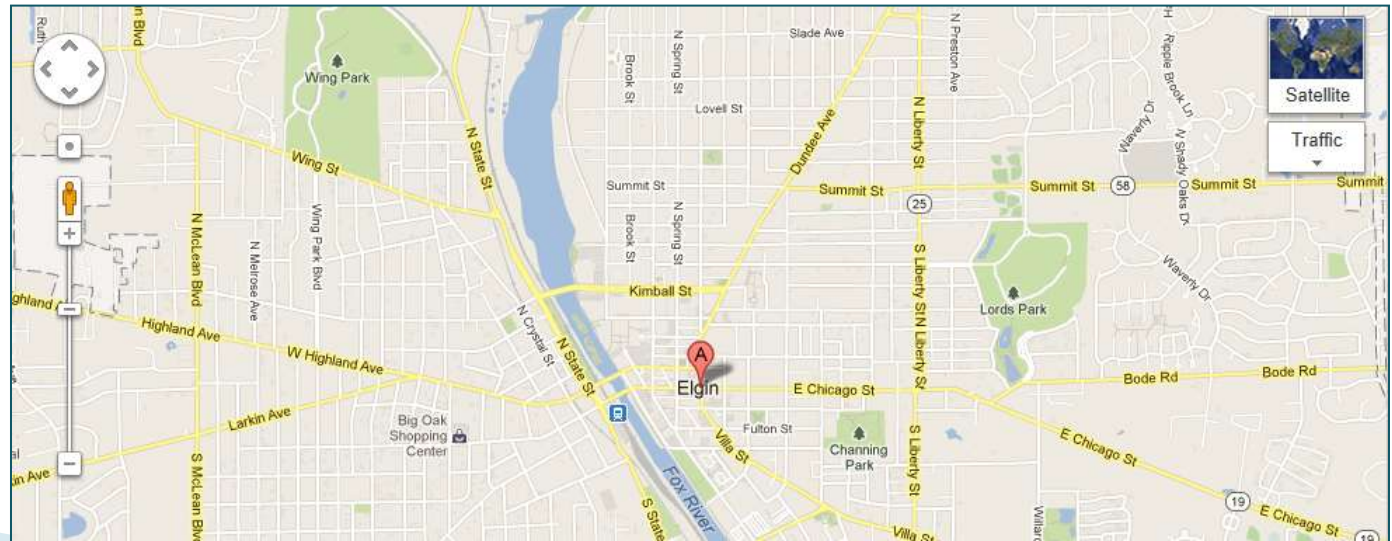Password

☐ Keep me signed in
(Uncheck if on a shared computer)

Sign In

I can't access my account | Help

Internet Browsing

Find Websites Of Interest To Your Learner

◦ Children's school
◦ Employer's site
◦ Job search

◦ Library
◦ Maps/directions
◦ Newspaper

YouTube Videos

YouTube.com
• Language videos
• Instructional videos
• Travel videos

iTunes

Download iTunes, go to "iTunes Store" and select podcasts to listen to or download.

Listen for content or English conversations.

• American English Pronunciation

• Culips ESL Podcasts

• BetteratEnglish.com

• ESLPod.com & others offer free audio and paid memberships to download guides)

• iTunes U: free online education content

ESL Miami Dade College

www.itunes.com

English S2
by SIT TV Production Unit
To listen to an audio podcast, collections.

English

WebQuests

A WebQuest is an inquiry-oriented lesson format in which most or all the information that learners work with comes from the web.

Find WebQuests that are appropriate for adults and for your learner's interests.

- http://webquest.org/
- www.zunal.com

Sample: http://zunal.com/webquest.php?w=178326
A Listening Self-Access Material

iPad, iPhone, iPod, iPod touch and even Androids

Download Apps to use between lessons

▶ Voice Memos: record lessons for practice

▶ *Speech Tutor*

▶ *SpeakingPal English Tutor*

 ◦ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xLUhxkMsdWE (Demonstration)

▶ *GrammarPal*

▶ Word Games

▶ Flashcard apps

Adult Ed Websites

ProLiteracy Education Network
www.proliteracyednet.org

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Dave's ESL Café
- Help Center
- Grammar Lessons
- Idioms
- Phrasal Verbs

- Pronunciation Power
- Quizzes
- Slang
- Student Forums

http://www.eslcafe.com/

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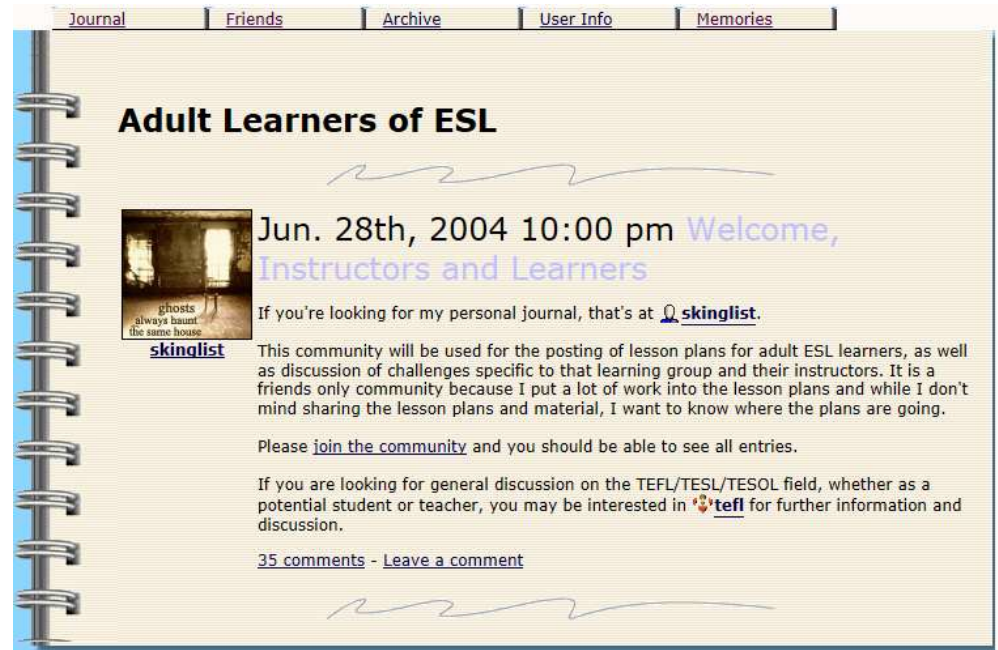
Recruit Teachers
Post Your Resume
Photo Galleries
Announcements
Sponsored Links
Contact Dave

Dave Sperling presents the One and Only
Dave's ESL Cafe
The Internet's Meeting place for ESL + EFL
teachers + students from around the World!

News for You - Online

Specifically written for adult learners:
▸ Written at high-beginning (RL 3-4) and intermediate (RL 4-6) ESL reading level

Teacher's Guide
▸ Complete lesson plan for one story

Online Component:
▸ Listen to the entire story or sentence-by-sentence
▸ Interactive exercises
▸ NewsforYouOnline app for iPhones and iPads
▸ www.NewsforYouOnline.com

Blogging

Use a Blog to practice writing assignments and reflect on learning

- Free blogging sites: blogger.com, livejournal.com, or xanga.com

- You and your learner can blog about your tutoring sessions

| Journal | Friends | Archive | User Info | Memories |

Adult Learners of ESL

ghosts always haunt the same house
skinglist

Jun. 28th, 2004 10:00 pm Welcome, Instructors and Learners

If you're looking for my personal journal, that's at Ω **skinglist**.

This community will be used for the posting of lesson plans for adult ESL learners, as well as discussion of challenges specific to that learning group and their instructors. It is a friends only community because I put a lot of work into the lesson plans and while I don't mind sharing the lesson plans and material, I want to know where the plans are going.

Please join the community and you should be able to see all entries.

If you are looking for general discussion on the TEFL/TESL/TESOL field, whether as a potential student or teacher, you may be interested in **tefl** for further information and discussion.

35 comments - Leave a comment

Tablets & Read-Aloud Featires

Use read-aloud features on tablets, websites, and pdf documents on a computer to let your learner listen to text.

- Practice listening
- Benefit from repetition
- Improve fluency
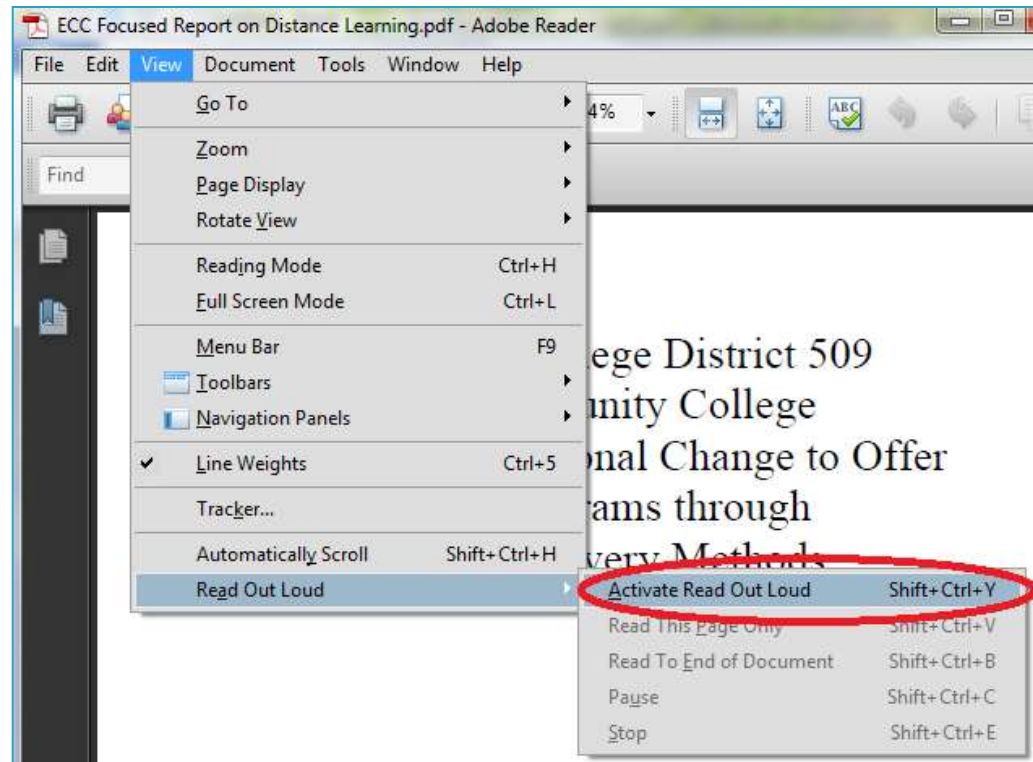
Podcasts – StoryCorps

StoryCorps has recorded 40,000 interviews to preserve oral history.

Lessons include listening, interviewing

and re-telling.

http://Storycorps.org

StoryCorps
Every voice matters.

"What's your life like now, Dad?"

Priya Morganstern and Bhavani Jaroff interview their father, Ken Morganstern, who has Alzheimer's disease.

LISTEN   SHARE ⊕

Recorded in New York, NY.

STORYCORPS IPHONE APP

NOW AVAILABLE!

Listen to the weekly story and other favorites

Share stories online

Get tips for recording your own story

LEARN MORE

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U.S. Adult cell phone owners

- 83% own a cell phone
- 50% have apps on their phones
- 35% a Smartphone
- 25% use their phone as their main source of Internet access
- Half of American adults and 80% of online teens use a social networking site like Facebook

Source: http://www.pewinternet.org

Cell Phones/Smart Phones

Cell Phone Activities

The % of cell phone owners who use their cell phone to...

82	Take a picture
80	Send or receive text messages
56	Access the internet
50	Send or receive email
44	Record Video*
43	Download Apps*
31	Look for health or medical information online
29	Check bank account balance or do any online banking

Source: Pew Research Center's Internet & American Life Project, Summer Tracking Survey,

Google Phone Calls

Sign up for a free Google Voice phone number

▸ Leave a voice message in English for your learner

▸ Have your learner call, listen to your message, and leave a voice message for you

▸ Listen to your learner's message

▸ *This can also be used if you do not want to give your learner your telephone number or if you have multiple numbers where you can be reached.*

Go to www.Google.com and select Google Voice

Voice Mail

Practice leaving voice mail messages with your learner on your home or cell phones.

▸ Write a short script
▸ Practice pronunciation
▸ Rehearse
▸ Have your learner leave a message during your lesson

Make sure your learner has the number you want them to call and understands when they need to call to cancel a lesson.

Texting

Texting is a great way to communicate with your learner if you both have it on your cell phones.

If you don't know how to text, there are tutorials on YouTube.

Text Messaging Tutorial on the Motorola Droid

droidwizard · Subscribe · 52 videos

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Flash Cards

Make flash cards on the web and download them to your learner's smart phone.

▸ Create your own Flash Cards

▸ Import cards from computer to phone

▸ Reads questions and answers

▸ Built-in timer

▸ Random order of play

▸ Flashcardmakerpro is $4.95

▸ Other flash card apps are free.

Voice Recording

If your learner has a smart phone, download a free voice recorder app.

- Make a recording of key parts of your lesson for your learner to review

- Have your learner make a recording and listen to his/herself speaking English.

- Learners can practice by listening to the recording between lessons.

- Examples: Voice Recorder, Tape-a-Talk.

Word Games

Free word games can be downloaded for Smart phones, iPads or tablets

- Words with Friends
- Hanging with Friends
- Word Scramble
- Word Search

https://play.google.com

CROSSWORD GAMEPLAY
YOU KNOW AND LOVE!
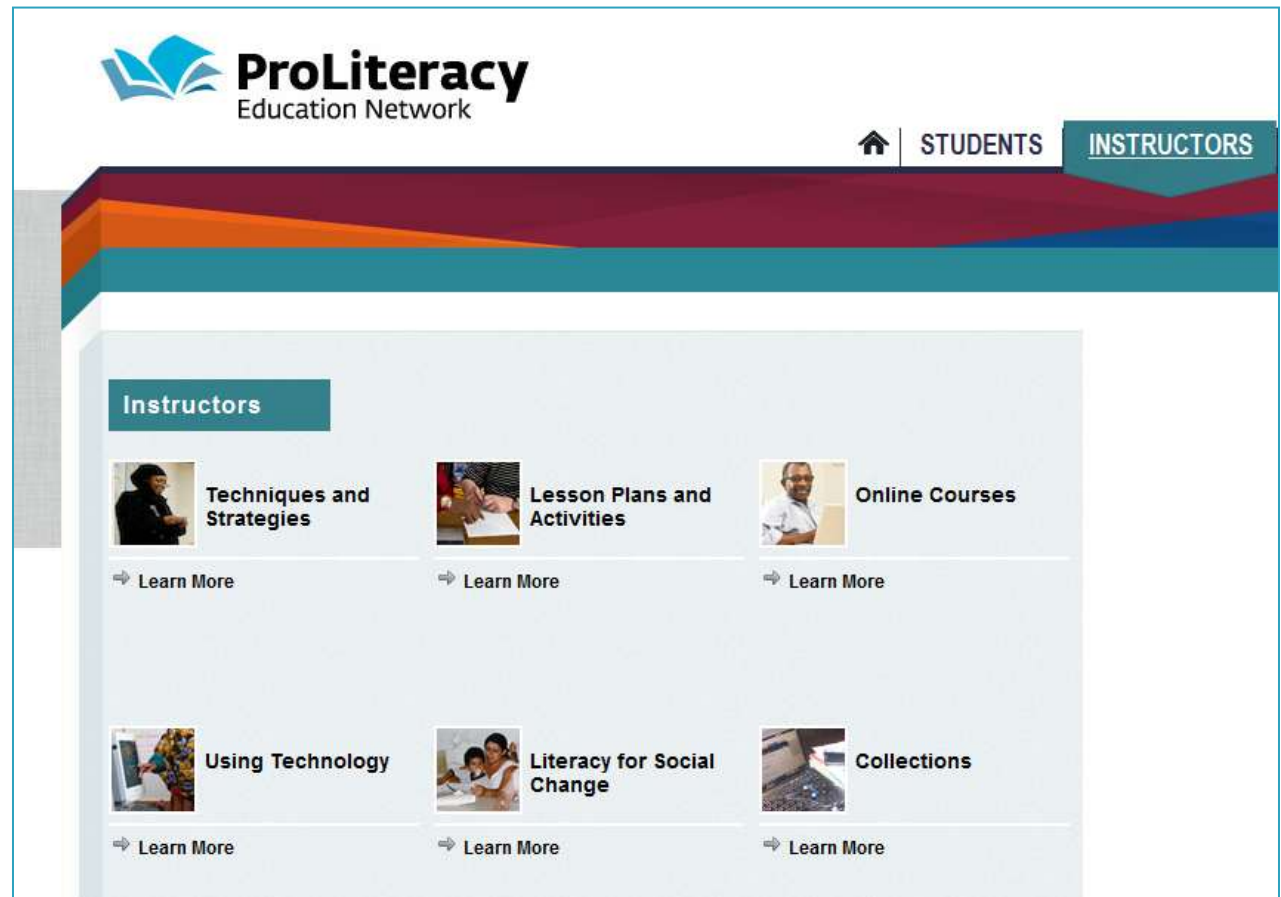
Tutor Training Resources

ProLiteracy Education Network

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Tutor Resources

EL/Civics Online (English Literacy and Civics Education)

• Four-part series of online courses

• Prepare ESL instructors and volunteers to integrate U.S. History, U.S. Government, Civic Engagement, and the Naturalization Process into adult ESL classes.
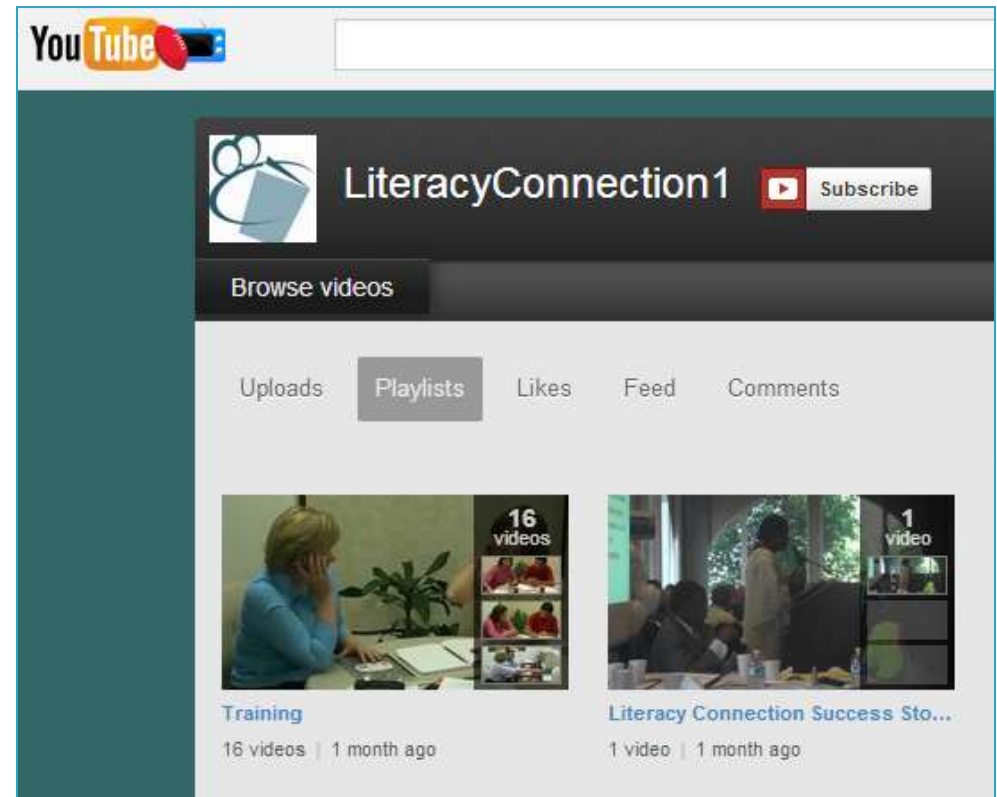

http://www.elcivicsonline.org/

Tutor Resources

"LiteracyConnection1" YouTube Channel

Videos posted or selected by Literacy Connection staff for tutor training,

learner lessons & organizational information

Tutor Resources

YouTube videos

▸ Search "literacy tutor training" for a selection of videos.

▸ For Example:

The Logic Of English Channel

Reading & Spelling Teacher Training Section 1
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rc_RYngtwXQ

References

Android app store: https://play.google.com

Apple instructions: http://www.apple.com/education/docs/Getting_Started_with_Apple_iOS_Devices_20110912.pdf

Dave's ESL Café: http://www.eslcafe.com/

EL/Civics Online (English Literacy and Civics Education). http://www.elcivicsonline.org/

New Readers Press: http://www.newreaderspress.com/

The Pew Internet & American Life Project http://www.pewinternet.org

ProLiteracy: www.proliteracy.org

ProLiteracyEdNet: www.proliteracyednet.org

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Three things I will try from this workshop:

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Notes:

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