

Adult EAL Volunteer Workshops – Winter 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

Option 1 - Wednesday, February 28: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Repeats on (select only one)

Option 2 - Saturday, March 2: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Both sessions will be online (Zoom)

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 as some similarities. The workshop will focus on the specific needs of Adult EAL Literacy learners as volunteers learn how to support these learners in a classroom setting.

2. Diversity in an Adult EAL Classroom

Option 1 - Saturday, March 2: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Repeats on (select only one)

Option 2 - Wednesday, March 6: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Both sessions will be online (Zoom)

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

Option 1 - Wednesday, February 21: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Repeats on (select only one)

Option 2 - Saturday, February 24: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Both sessions will be In-person at the Immigrant Centre

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). These workshops 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

Option 1 – Saturday, March 16: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Repeats on (select only one)

Option 2 - Wednesday, March 20: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Both sessions will be In-person at the Immigrant Centre

Deborah Dyck, 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

Option 1 - Saturday, February 24: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Repeats on (select only one)

Option 2 - Tuesday, February 27 14: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Both sessions will be online (Zoom)

Gail Foote Leylek has taught English in Africa, Turkey, and most recently 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.