NMTESOL
(New Mexico Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages)
ESL Workshops

Saturday October 10, 2009
Community Room, North Valley Library
7704 2nd St. NW in Albuquerque

10:00-10:15 Welcome

10:15-10:45 Using Icebreakers in the Classroom
Presenter: Felicitas Coates
Get to know your colleagues and learn how icebreakers can encourage participation in the ESL classroom.

10:45-12:00 Principles of Language Testing and Assessment
Presenter: Bill Ancker
This workshop begins with a discussion of purposes for testing and a review of basic principles of testing, including reliability and validity. The next part is a discussion of test items and scoring, e.g. discrete point vs. integrative items, norm-referenced vs. criterion-referenced scores. Finally, we will review items from English proficiency tests and discuss them in terms of their effectiveness in measuring English language learners' skills.

12:00-1:00 pm: Music in the Classroom
Presenter: Lonnie Dai Zovi
This exciting and active presentation will demonstrate many ways that all types of music (popular, folkloric, made-for-the-classroom) can enhance any lesson at any level. Teachers will use these techniques on Monday. Music is one of the strongest and most pleasant multiple intelligences and therefore a dynamic tool for the language classroom. The presenter will demonstrate many ways in which you can actively or passively exploit music for its maximum effectiveness in all levels. She will start with simple snappy “ditties” and then grow to longer and applicable musical chants, raps and music, both authentic (folkloric, popular) and made-for-the-classroom. The participants will be actively involved in this hands-on session, after which they will be ready, willing and able to “rock” their students toward effortless and fun language acquisition.

Annual NMTESOL Membership fee ($20) will be accepted at this event!

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