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Aaron Combs has taught ESL and other language classes for over 20 years. He has also owns and operates a remodeling business and plays the fiddle and guitar in a couple local bands.

Debbie Golden has almost 40 years of experience as a TESOL and reading specialist in public schools, literacy programs, and adult education. Her presentation draws from the Job Club and Cultural Orientation she leads at Lutheran Family Services.

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### Session 1

**Room 304**

**Grapeshot and Parrott Guns: Helping TESOL Students with Social Studies Vocabulary**

**Jennifer Bohnhoff**

Learning English is hard enough, but the academic and subject-specific vocabulary of social studies can really make learning difficult. This presentation will offer some ways to help TESOL students grapple with these words, strengthening both their vocabulary and their confidence.

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**Room 306**

**What Do You Want to Do Now?**

**Aaron Combs**

Do you ask students this question? It is probably the most important question any student of any subject needs to answer before they even sign up for a course. It is essential for ESL students who are transitioning out of your ESL classes to have a clear answer, concerning their occupational as well as their academic future. The ESL instructor should be able to offer them guidance.

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**Room 308**

**Are My Students Semilingual?**

**Mary Hudgens Henderson**

This workshop explores language proficiency of bilingual students from the often-used term, “semilingual”. The definition and origins of this term are discussed, along with quick-and-easy assessments to check the “semilingual” status of a student. Participants explore the concepts of BICS and CALP from a language variation perspective, and how first language literacy (or lack of) may impact second language literacy. Participants will leave with a deeper understanding of bilingualism, language variation, and language acquisition.

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**Room 310**

**Facilitating English Conversation Groups**

**Jan Lujan**

Most ESL programs, both institutional and volunteer-based, sponsor ESL Conversation Groups. Group composition varies as does the training of the facilitator. As long as participants speak enough English to converse comfortably, we can help by providing a place for practice, questions, and an exchange of ideas. This short workshop will provide some ideas on what to talk about and how to keep conversation flowing over a number of weeks or months.

### Session 2

**Room 304**

**Job Market 101**

**Debbie Golden**

How can ESL teachers facilitate students’ confidence and success in seeking employment? Job Market 101 will present classroom activities for emergent to intermediate ELLs to learn these employment concepts: career options and competition (through visuals and simple English phrases); posture, attitude, and "selling yourself" (through a mock interview), and the use of references. Handouts will be provided for additional activities to build English proficiency in job seeking, such as leaving phone messages.

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**Room 306**

**Out-of-the-Ordinary English Listening: Using the News to Teach**

**Amy Wetterau Zhupikov**

This presentation will provide you with sample listening activities and illustrate the use of online open-source resources. News organizations such as NPR, BBC, TED, and the NYTimes are excellent resources for ESOL instructors and students. With in-class and out of class exercises, adult learners can sharpen their listening and comprehension skills.

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**Room 308**

**Grammar Hammer Talking Cards**

**Melanie Mullen**

English language learners desire more speaking practice, but it’s not always easy to get students speaking in class. This presentation offers participants a chance to practice a technique to get students talking in the classroom, learn tricks to apply speaking activities to grammar points, and share some of their favorite activities.

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**Room 310**

**Speak English with NEEPO: E-Learning Course for Beginner English Students**

**Kat Green**

This presentation will explain features and benefits of the e-learning course Speak English with NEEPO; demonstrate how ESL teachers can use this course as a tool to help their students begin speaking English immediately with good grammar and little or no accent; and explain how the NEEPO methodology works effectively to help mainstream students into the regular classroom quickly and how it can help students transition to the reading of traditional English.

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