# **ELL Website Links**

If you have access to a computer during tutoring sessions, use these websites with your learner as a way to practice computer skills and English. Work with your learner so that they feel comfortable accessing these resources on their own at home or using a computer at the library. If you don't have access to a computer during sessions these sites also provide great ideas for lesson to print and use with your learner.

## **Online English Language Learning Programs for Learners**

**USA Learns** is an excellent website for learners with lessons to practice basic listening, speaking, reading and life skills including video and other interactive games to review concepts. Beginners to Intermediate <a href="https://www.usalearns.org">www.usalearns.org</a>

*Mango Languages* is an online language-learning system available for free for all Whatcom County Library System patrons. Learners can practice English with narration in their native tongue through ESL courses taught in 15 different languages. Tutors can also use this program to study another language (57 foreign languages available). Beginners to Intermediate

To access go to www.bellinghampubliclibrary.org

Click on Research Tools
Click on Premium Content
Click on Mango
Enter your library card number

Enter your library card number and PIN

### **ESL Lessons for Tutors**

**ESL Library** The Whatcom Literacy Council has subscribed to this online website that provides printable lessons to use during tutoring sessions including flashcards, dialogues, grammar, etc. **E-mail your coordinator for subscription log on information.** <a href="https://esllibrary.com/">https://esllibrary.com/</a>

### Conversation

**Talk Time** is an online conversation curriculum which provides a wide range of lessons organized by theme. Click on *More Topics* for a complete list of lessons. Intermediate to Advanced <a href="http://www.eastsideliteracy.org/tutorsupport/ESL/ESLTalkTimeTopics.htm">http://www.eastsideliteracy.org/tutorsupport/ESL/ESLTalkTimeTopics.htm</a>

# Listening

**Voice of America Learning English** contains news stories in their written form accompanied by an audio file so learners can listen along while they are reading to practice English. After a learner is done reading they can complete a quiz to check for comprehension of the article. Intermediate to Advanced <a href="http://learningenglish.voanews.com/">http://learningenglish.voanews.com/</a>

**Randall's ESL Listening Lab** uses recorded conversations and quizzes to check understanding. Intermediate to Advanced <a href="http://www.esl-lab.com/">http://www.esl-lab.com/</a>

## Reading

**The Times in Plain English** brings you important news from America's best sources of information. The writing is in clear, readable English. Stories come from: The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, The Wall Street Journal and other popular newspapers. This resource may be reproduced and distributed at will. Intermediate to Advanced <a href="http://www.thetimesinplainenglish.com/">http://www.thetimesinplainenglish.com/</a>

Marshall Adult Education – Reading Skills for Today's Adults is a great website with printable stories organized by level. Go to *Print the Stories* and look for your learner's level. You will find stories with pre-reading questions, definitions, a reading passage, comprehension questions and a follow-up writing prompt. High Beginning to Advanced

http://resources.marshalladulteducation.org/reading\_skills\_home.html

**Reading A-Z** The Whatcom Literacy Council subscribes to this online source for printable reading lessons including basic phonics, leveled stories for reading levels K-5, vocabulary readers for ELL and more. Also available – social studies and biographies which are interesting for adult readers such as U.S. Government, U.S. History, Geography, Travel, Jobs and more.

E-mail your coordinator for subscription log on information. https://www.readinga-z.com/

### **Computers**

**Digital Learn** provides computer basics, e-mail, internet searching and more. It has an easy to access format with point and click slide shows with audio descriptions for learners who are new to computers. <a href="Digitallearn.org">Digitallearn.org</a>

**GCF Learn Free** offers over 750 lessons in technology, reading and everyday life. Computer courses include typing, computer basics including practice using the mouse, internet basics, e-mail basics, Microsoft programs such as Word, Excel, etc., social media etc. <a href="www.gcflearnfree.org/">www.gcflearnfree.org/</a>

**Power Typing** is a great way for learners to practice typing lessons and to improve speed with tests that determine words per minute.

http://www.powertyping.com/qwerty/lessonsq.html

# Citizenship

**U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services** provides an online Citizenship Resource Center so that tutors and learners can access educational tools and preparation for citizenship preparation. You will find flashcards, word lists, the 100 questions and more. Also see Citizenship Information in our website Tutor Toolbox.

http://www.uscis.gov/citizenship http://www.uscis.gov/citizenship/learners/study-test

### Grammar

**English for Everyone** offers printable worksheets for grammar practice and other skills such as verb tenses, contractions and pronunciation of "ed" endings and more. <a href="https://www.englishforeveryone.org">www.englishforeveryone.org</a>