



Teaching for Understanding: Practical ESOL Strategies for Correctional Classrooms

Description: This interactive, in-person professional-learning workshop is designed to strengthen instructional practice for educators serving English language learners in correctional settings. Open to all educators supporting English language learners, the workshop emphasizes low-tech, high-impact instructional strategies that can be implemented immediately. Participants will engage in hands-on activities focused on comprehension, vocabulary development, differentiation, and student engagement, with a specific focus on meeting the needs of mixed-level classrooms within the realities of correctional environments.

<p>Date: April 24, 2026 Time: 9:00 pm – 3:00 pm CT Check-in begins at 8:30 am</p>	<p>Location: Northwest Florida Reception Center Martin Lake Trace Chipley, FL 32428</p>
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Agenda

- **Welcome, Objectives and Agenda Overview**
- **Comprehension-focused ESOL strategies aligned to standardized routines using existing materials**
- **Vocabulary-building techniques that improve reading and discussion**
- **Differentiation techniques for mixed-level classes**

Break (*On Your Own*)

- **Student engagement using context-appropriate instructional moves**
- **Tech-supported planning tools and strategies**
- **Reflection, Commitment and Wrap-Up**