

Strengthening ESL Classrooms through IET

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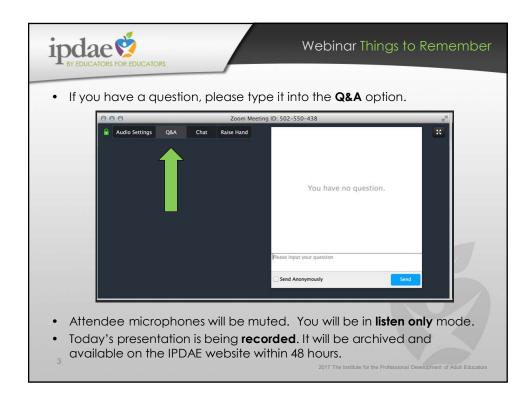


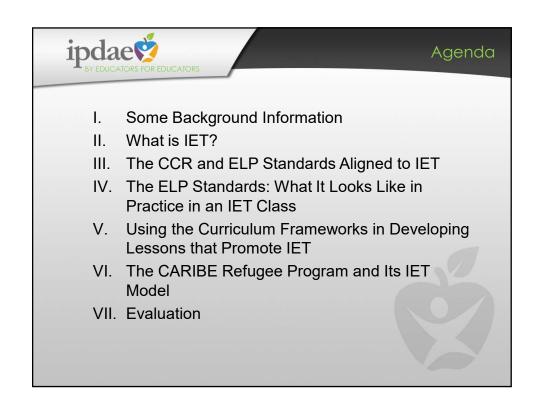
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WIOA

W - Workforce

I – Innovation and

O – Opportunity

A - Act



It was released in July 2016 to help low-income and lowerskilled youth and adults achieve economic success. This law provides both assurance and incentives for adult education, workforce development, and postsecondary education partners to design and implement **a key strategy in career pathways**: Integrated Education and Training (IET).

Center for Law and Social Policy (2013). Integrated Education and Training: Model Programs for Building Career Pathways for Participants at Every Skill Level. Washington, DC.



IET

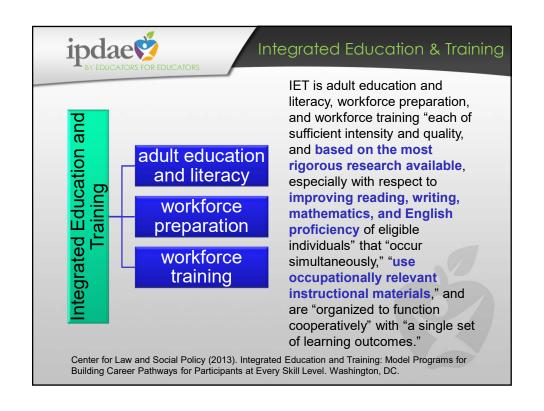
I - Integrated

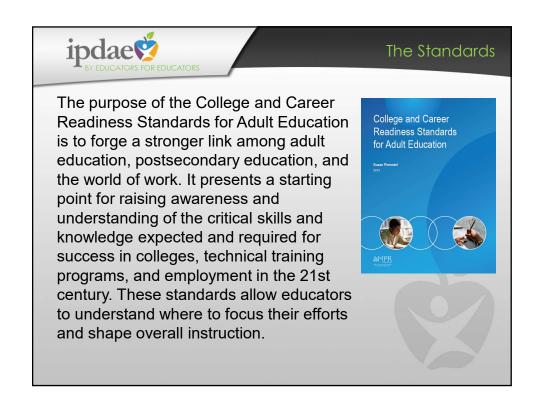
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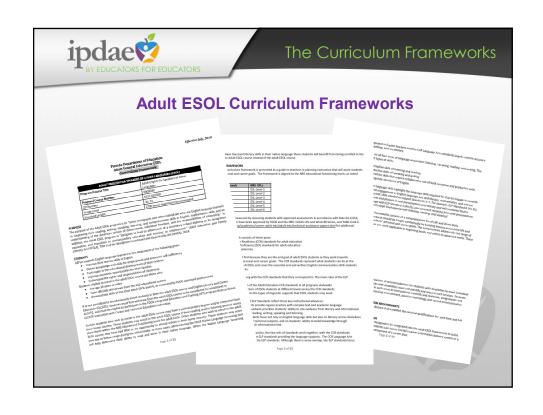
T - Training

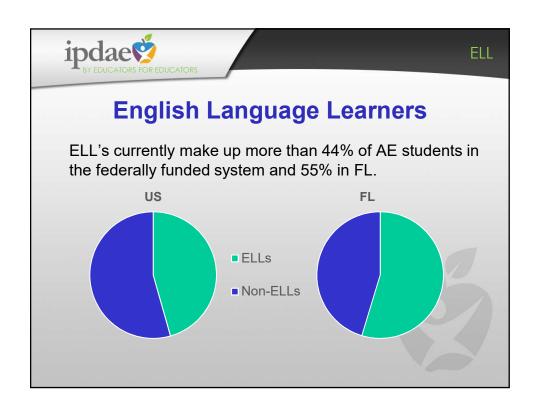
IET is a key strategy in career pathways based in adult learning theory. Through IET programs, participants seek goal-oriented, relevant, practical knowledge. The opportunity costs of education for individuals with family and work responsibilities can be offset by offering education that truly leads to educational and economic mobility.

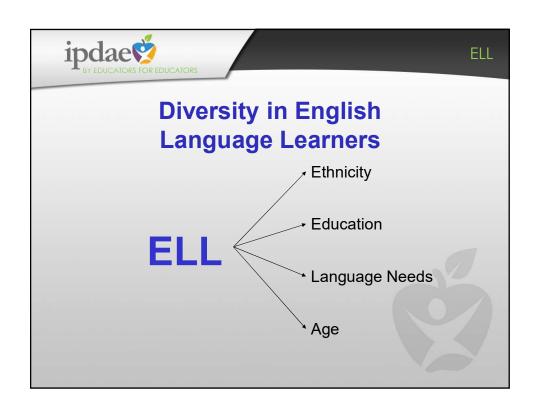
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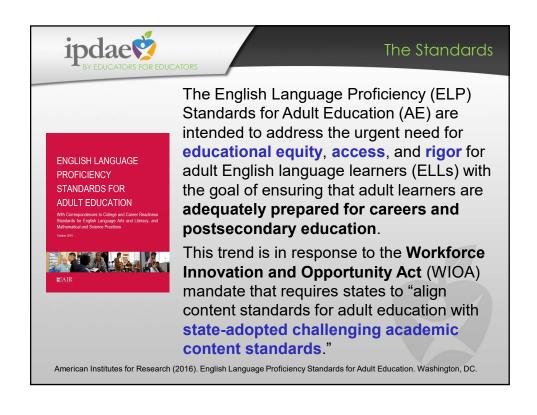














IET and ELPS

What It Looks Like in Practice

IET Class

Aman's IET class prepares non-native English speakers for careers in health care, specifically as certified nursing assistants (CNAs). As a registered nurse herself, the focus with her advanced group of adult ELLs this week is on taking vital signs. She tries to integrate language support into this course in addition to the practical skills they need. Amani wants to make sure that her students are prepared for the interactions and people skills required in caring for ill or elderly people.

Amani already has specific medical objectives in mind for today's lesson. Students will practice taking each other's pulse and blood pressure readings and record this information in a table. She would also like to integrate conversation practice into this lesson. She wants her students to be able to make requests of their patients, explain what they are doing, and build rapport.

Amani turns first to Table 3, which provides correspondences between the CCR English Language Arts and Literacy Standards and the ELP Standards for AE. She knows that she wants to focus on CCR Speaking and Listening Anchor Standard 1, which is: Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. She finds that this CCR standard corresponds to ELP Standard 2.

Amani next turns to View Two so as to better understand the language demands required to meet the rigorous CCR standard. As her students are very high-level speakers of English, she focuses on levels 4–5 of ELP Standard 2. ELP 2 is: An ELL can participate in level-appropriate oral and written exchanges of information, ideas, and analyses, in various social and academic contexts, responding to peer, audience, or reader comments and questions. She focuses in particular on these elements: participate in conversations about a range of topics, build on the ideas of others, and express ideas clearly.

Seeing these language standards helps her decide to add an activity to her pulse and blood pressure lesson. She plans an activity for students to brainstorm ice-breaker questions they might ask nursing home residents and also discusses topics to avoid. Amani also plans to have students practice the specific language needed to describe what they are doing to the patients in the process of taking their blood pressure. For example, *Please roll up your sleeve*. Students will focus on the quantity of speech they produce and their articulation when speaking.

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American Institutes for Research (2016). English Language Proficiency Standards for Adult Education. Washington, DC.



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Topic: Taking Vital Signs Language Focus:

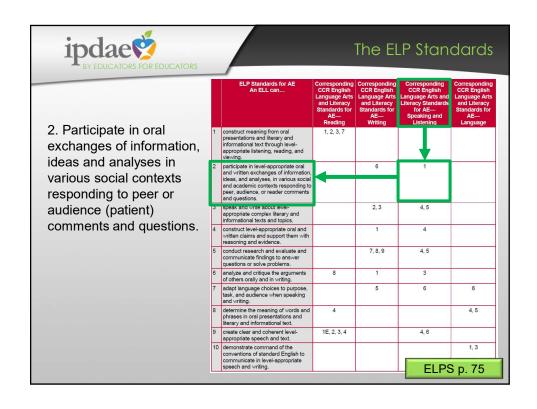
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- Explain what they are doing
- · Build rapport

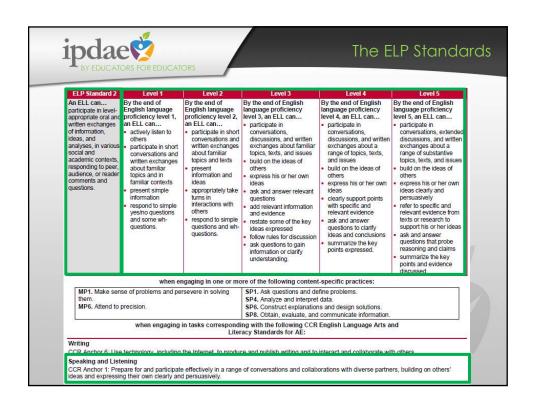
Modalities:

- Listening
- Speaking

CCR Standard:

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Lesson Activities:

- Brainstorm ice-breaker questions they might ask nursing home residents
- · Discuss topics to avoid in asking ice-breaker questions
- Practice the specific language needed to describe what they are doing to the patients

Assessment Focus:

· Quantity of speech produces and articulation when speaking

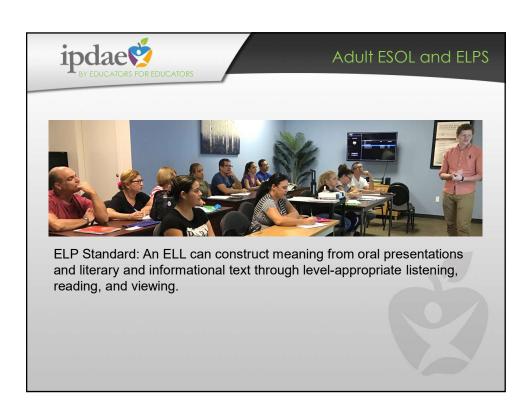


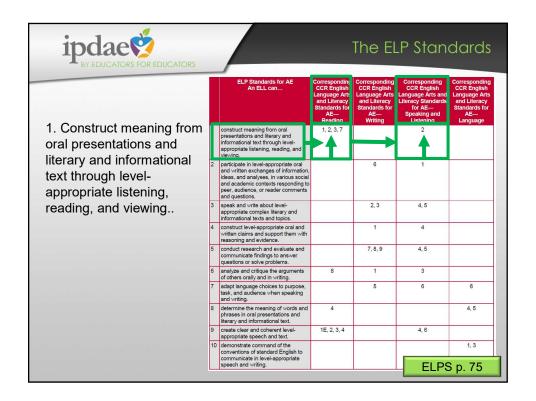




Now that we learned about IET Programs, how can we prepare our students to enter these programs?

How can we use the IET model to add more rigor in the Adult ESOL Classroom?







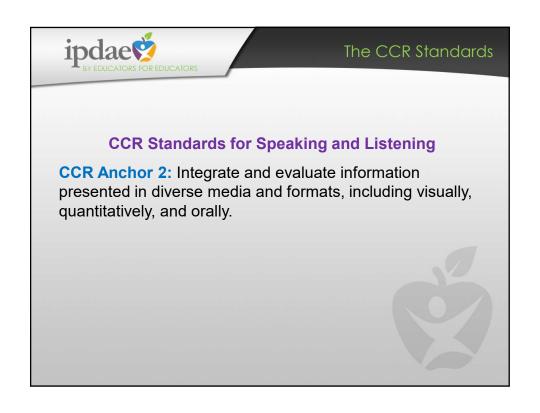
The CCR Standards

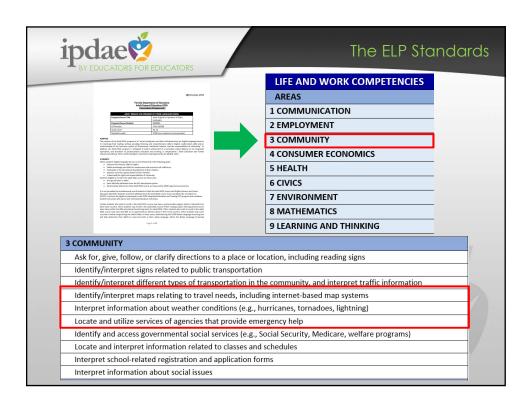
CCR Standards for Reading

CCR Anchor 1: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

CCR Anchor 2: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

CCR Anchor 3: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.



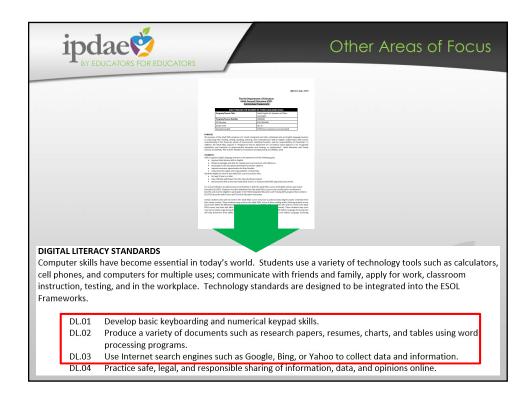




Topic: Local Community Resources During Severe Weather Conditions Learning Focus:

- Identify various severe weather conditions (hurricane, tornado, thunderstorm, etc.)
- · Read, watch or listen to weather information in various media
- Create and present a list of things to do in case of severe weather and agencies that provide emergency help
- Create an evacuation route from home to a place of shelter Modalities:
 - · Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening







Other Areas of Focus

WORKFORCE PREPARATION ACTIVITIES

The term "workforce preparation activities" means activities, programs, or services designed to help an individual acquire a combination of basic academic skills, critical thinking skills, digital literacy skills, and self-management skills, including competencies in utilizing resources, using information, working with others, understanding systems, and obtaining skills necessary for successful transition into and completion of postsecondary education or training, or employment. (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), 2014). The following workforce preparation activities should be integrated into the classroom instruction.

- Critical Thinking: All students will make decisions and solve problems by specifying goals, identifying resources
 and constraints, generating alternatives, considering impacts, choosing appropriate alternatives, implementing
 plans of action, and evaluating results.
- 2) Teamwork: All students will learn to work cooperatively with people with diverse backgrounds and abilities. Students will identify with the group's goals and values, learn to exercise leadership, teach others new skills, serve clients or customers, and contribute with ideas, suggestions, and work efforts.
- 3) Employment: All students will develop job search skills for employment such as completing an application, resume, cover letter, thank you letter, and interviewing techniques.
- Self-Management: All students should display personal qualities such as responsibility, self-management, selfconfidence, ethical behavior, and respect for self and others.
- Utilizing Resources: All students will learn to identify, organize, plan, and allocate resources (such as time, money, material, and human resources) efficiently and effectively.
- 6) Using Information: All students will acquire, organize, interpret, and evaluate information in post-secondary, training, or work situations.
- 7) Understanding Systems: All students will learn to understand, monitor, and improve complex systems, including social, technical, and mechanical systems, and work with and maintain a variety of technologies.



Going the Extra Mile

Support the IET Program



- Discuss other fields of work essential during an emergency
- Discuss available CTE programs in a nearby Technical College specializing in emergency response

- Discuss the role of an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
- Discuss the skills important to the work of an EMT
- Discuss how can students can become an EMT







- Focus on communication skills essential to the work of the housekeeping, engineering and custodial staff
- Use of informational text relevant to their work such as personnel orientation, personnel procedures manual, HR forms, and guidelines for quality customer service
- Encourage students to pursue ABE/GED/PSAV



