

“Newsy” the ESOL Tutor Newsletter

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Welcome to “NEWSY” the Literacy Unlimited Tutor Bulletin



We are Open!

Hi everyone,

It is an exciting time for us. The Literacy Unlimited Office is open and we are meeting with students and tutors in-person in the library. Please stop by and say “hi” – we would love to catch-up with you in person.

Volunteers to Help with the Student Intake Forms

We have many students technically on our waitlist with whom we haven’t been in contact with for a while. We need volunteers to contact students and either update their information or complete a student intake form. Most contact with students will be remote using phone, email, or Zoom (i.e., to complete a new student intake form). If you have time and would like to help us out, please let us know: fplmail4@minlib.net

Volunteers to Help Contact Tutors

Would you like to contact some of our tutors who have taken a break from tutoring during the pandemic? We need some help updating their information and interest in in tutoring now that in-person tutoring is possible. If you would like to help us with this, let us know. fplmail4@minlib.net

End of Year Appeal

Our end of year appeal is going really well! Thank-you to everyone who has donated so far – your contributions are very important to us and very much appreciated. If you haven't donated yet, but would like to, there is still time. We would really like to meet our goal of 100 donors. You can donate by clicking here:

<https://framinghamlibrary.org/literacy/appeal/> Or you can donate by check made payable to “Literacy Unlimited of Framingham Foundation, Inc” and mailed to

Literacy Unlimited
49 Lexington St.
Framingham, MA 01702

Scheduled Tutor Meetings

Tutor Time – Tuesday, July 20 at 2:00 PM

We will start the meeting with a brief overview of happenings at Literacy and check-in with tutors.

Then Laurie will show us how to make our one-to-one tutoring sessions and conversation classes more lively by using games, puzzles, and videos either remotely or in person.

If you have a game or puzzle that you like to use with your student let us know. We would love to have you share it with other tutors.

To Join the Zoom meeting:

Tutor Time **REPEAT – Tues, July 27 at 7:00 PM**

Laurie will repeat the Tutor Time session described above.

To Join the Zoom meeting:

Good to Know – For Students

Book Group

The first book group meeting will be on August 4 at 7:00 PM. The group will be reading and discussing “West with Giraffes” by Lynda Rutledge. This special conversation class is for intermediate and above English learners. If you have a student who may be interested, let us know: fplmail4@minlib.net

Good to Know – For Tutors

ESL Library – New Video Component

The ESL Library has added some exciting new features that we think you will like. There is now a video component to some lessons which has a check-in quiz at the

end for the student or for the teacher and student. There are also some short tutorials explaining how to assign work to your students. If you click on this link: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ESLlibrary> you can see a sample of the videos and tutorials.

If you want to check out the full line of videos, login as a teacher in the ESL library and choose Materials/Collections/Videos. There are 4 new video collections: Grammar, Dialogues, Stories & Songs, and Watch & Learn.

ESL Library Link: <https://esllibrary.com/>

Let us know if you use any of the videos with your student(s) or if you need some help with this.

Meeting space for face-to-face tutoring

We have reconfigured our cubicles in the Literacy space at the Library. We now have 2 larger cubicles and we are using what used to be the classroom as a tutor space. If you would like to reserve one of these spaces to meet with your student, let us know: fplmail4@minlib.net or 508-532-5574.

Conversation Class Leader or Support Class Leader

Conversation classes continue to be popular with our students. If you are interested in becoming a conversation class leader, or would like to help support a conversation class leader please let us know: fplmail4@minlib.net There are many options for times, level, duration, topics and in-person or remote. We would like to add more classes as there are many students on our waiting list.

Final Thoughts

It is so great to be meeting face-to-face with our students and tutors. We hope to see many of you in person over the summer.

Karen