



TBLV

TESL Basics for
Language Volunteers

STEPPING UP FOR A **WELCOMING** COMMUNITY

Enjoy the rewards of
volunteering:

Help newcomers learn
English and adapt to
Canada

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Whether you are a classroom volunteer or working with Newcomers in a Conversation Circle, workplace, or any other informal language training situation, TBLV can help:

- Learn the basics of teaching English as a Second Language (ESL)
- Get practical ideas for activities and techniques you can use right away
- Exchange ideas with other volunteers
- Get ongoing coaching from experienced ESL instructors

In this free, 14-hour, seven-week course, you will explore these topics:

1. The Canadian Language Benchmarks
2. Working with lower level learners
3. Providing feedback that supports learning
4. Using real-world materials with your Newcomers
5. Helping Newcomers with English for daily life and employment
6. Culture and Canadian Citizenship
7. Remote and online Volunteering

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Quotes from recent graduates of TBLV:

"The very first conversation circle I facilitated had several non-literate female students, together with a few students at beginner and advanced levels. This was a very challenging group. I wish I would have had this training and information at that time!"

"My eyes have now been opened to a whole host of other possible items I could bring to class to prompt discussions."

"The needs assessment the students completed and the "relia" I've started bringing to class have certainly added something positive to the classroom. I never would have considered either of these things if I hadn't taken the course."

"This information is really very helpful, I can use this."

"The suggestions given are very useful and I have learnt so much from this course as well as in this forum. Thank you!"

"So now I will be more confident to teach English (before I just volunteered as an assistant) and share or give suggestions on how to teach English to the newcomers. Honestly, I really enjoyed and learned a lot in joining the program, was always excited to go online and check what the other participants would share and always looking forward to the next module."

"There's no doubt in my mind that the course has been beneficial for my Newcomers because they have really responded to some of the TBLV techniques and ideas I brought to class."

TBLV Works! is a new course that builds on the original TBLV which prepares volunteers to work in the classroom or the community.

TBLV is also offered in French as l'ABC des FLS pour les instructeurs bénévoles (L'AFIB).
