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Materials/Resource needed for the interactive experience:

Device
QR Code reader
Google account
Google Classroom app
Flipgrid app
What’s App
TEACHERS are being challenged to **STEP OUT OF COMFORT ZONES**

**COMPUTER TECH SUPPORT? ALRIGHT... I'VE REMOVED ALL OF MY COOKIES... NOW WHAT?**
What do you mean – mobilize?
The number of mobile devices rose 9 percent in the first six months of 2011, to 327.6 million — more than the 315 million people living in the U.S., Puerto Rico, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Wireless network data traffic rose 111 percent, to 341.2 billion megabytes, during the same period.

How is this possible? Many adults have more than one wireless device, which include smartphones, tablets, and wireless cards.”
Who needs to mobilize
This is what’s happening now!
Why do we need to mobilize?
THE EMPTY CHAIRS
“(17) 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.”

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Title II WIOA - Workforce Innovation Opportunities Act
Many of our students stop out due to:

- Change in work schedule
- Childcare issues
- Illness
- Attainment of an additional job
- Transportation
- End of Visa, returned to native country
- Ineffective classroom instruction

Attendance affects learning & REPORTING
IF THEY CAN’T COME TO US ...
... CAN WE GO TO THEM?  (Plus increase Digital Literacy Skills)
How do we begin
Let’s explore some alternatives...
Objective: You will have created by the end of this session.
BEFORE YOU BEGIN!

Do you know your school’s technology policy?

What is the gist of FERPA?

What are your classroom norms?
BEFORE THEY BEGIN!

Teach & Model, Model, Model!

Set your students up for success

- Teach the technology, especially vocabulary, first!
- Model your desired outcome in the classroom before asking them to use any technology on their own.
Example:

Students learned technical vocabulary and then created a weblink to the student portal logon screen on their phones.
SUITE FOR EDUCATION IS FREE FOR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
When students logon for the first time they will go through permission screens where they need to click “accept”
Nota Bene: If students already have a personal gmail account make sure they are logged into their student gmail.
When students logged into email this is what they saw

*The email reviews the lesson on the parts of an email

I recommend using bcc to maintain privacy
Dear Students,

Happy ‘Hump Day’!

Well, that is what Wednesdays are called in the United States because it is the day that is in the middle of the week.

Yesterday we worked on Page 89 of the textbook and we used a venn diagram to categorize features of three types of checking accounts. The vocabulary words were:

- ATM
- online banking
- mobile banking
- debit card
- minimum deposit
- minimum daily balance
- average daily balance
- unlimited

Using the venn diagram we can compare and contrast the three checking accounts to see what they have in common and which type of checking account we would choose.

For more listening conversation practice here is a link you can use: [http://www.esifast.com/robel/topics/bank/bank01.htm](http://www.esifast.com/robel/topics/bank/bank01.htm)

In Thursday’s class we will learn how to give directions to the nearest bank, ATM, library, and courthouse in our community.
Sample Emails

Student Response

Reporting a problem to a landlord.

Dear Ms Pamela,

This is [name].

I heard

While I was take a bathtub the faucet was leaking.

Can you send a plumber please.

Sincerely,

[Name]
Sample Emails

Student Response
They may not get it perfectly right the first time.

Recognize and applaud the effort.

On Thursday, March 9, 2017, RO<palmbeachschools.org> wrote:

On Thursday, March 9, 2017, Pamela Wilson <pamela.wilson@palmbeachschools.org> wrote:

Dear Student,

This is your new teacher, Ms. Pamela Jo Wilson. Thank you for welcoming me to your class!

Today we will complete Unit 3 in the text. In Unit 3 we have been learning about different topics around the subject of Housing, such as:

- Interpreting classified ads
- Making decisions
- Arranging and cancelling utilities
- Creating a budget

This morning we will complete the unit by writing and sending a formal e-mail to communicate a housing problem to your teacher.

Do you remember the parts of an e-mail?

Sincerely,
Pamela Jo Wilson
Sample Classroom

Ms. Wilson | DFSS ESOL Level 4 Classroom Delray Full Service

Happy Birthday!

Delray Full Service School to inspire, equip and strengthen individuals, families

Pamela Wilson
Thank you for coming to class! It was great to see you. Today we used a word-find game to learn housing vocabulary and practice giving directions using the words: Go to...column, row, North (N), South (S), East (E), West (W), Northeast (NE), Northwest (NW), Southeast (SE), Southwest (SW), up, down, top, bottom, left, right, straight, diagonal, first, and last.

Great job!

I got a sentence yesterday, I don't know if it is a good sentence. I will post it in google classroom to see if true.

IM LIVING OF A REY ON MY INCOME THAT WE MAY ALMOST BE SAID TO BE LIVING A PART.

"I'm living so far beyond my income that we may almost be said to be living apart."

This is a quote from poet, E. E. Cummings.
In the class today, we learn about sequence order. (First, Second, next, then... finally)
First you buy something;
Second you read advertisements;
Next you choose the best deal;
Then save money and
Finally make purchase.

After, we talk about different stores someone can buy groceries. Why does he like buy at the store; does he read the advertisements before go to the store and explain his likes or his dislikes of the store?

Pamela Wilson  Jun 14
Thank you for posting!
Use the ABOUT page for virtual anchor charts.
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BASE WORD+PREFIXES AND SUFFIXES
- BASE WORD+PREFIXES AND SUFFIXES.pdf
- PDF

IDIOMS and FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE
- IDIOMS.pdf
- PDF
- figurative language.pdf
- PDF
Use the ABOUT page for virtual anchor charts.

Breaking News English - Practice, Practice, Practice

- Breaking News English | Easy English News - Level 2
  http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/easy-english-news.html

- Breaking News English | Graded News Articles - Level 4
  http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/graded-news-articles.html

- Breaking News English | Graded News Stories - Level 3

- Breaking News English | English News Readings - Level 5
  http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/english-news-readings.html
Use the ABOUT page for virtual anchor charts, and practice resources

Tongue Twisters for Speaking Practice. Bet you can't say these fast five times! :0)

Tongue Twister Practice - How Much Wood Would a Woodchuck Chuck (Charles Kelly)
http://www.manythings.org/pp/woodchuck.html

Tongue Twister Practice - Rubber Baby Buggy Bumpers (Charles Kelly)
http://www.manythings.org/pp/rubber_baby_buggy.html

Can't make it to class? Join us via adobe!

Adobe Connect Login
https://connect.palmbeachschools.org/acepbcjw/
Use the ABOUT page for practice resources
Click on this image to visit this example site

Google Sites
Palm Beach County Google for Education - Google Sites

www.palmbeachschools.org/ace/isp
Sample FLIPGRID

Click here to visit https://flipgrid.com/puotncx
Hi everyone, how are you doing today? Enjoy your Sunday night.

AUGUST 21, 2017

Please be careful today. Don't look at the sun. The solar eclipse can permanently hurt or damage your eyes. Be careful!

Thanks, Ms Pamela Anderson.

12:15 PM

This group is for English only, please. Thank you. 😊 This is where you can practice your English writing, speaking, reading, and listening. Is everyone ready for Monday, first day of class?

6:40 AM

Use the microphone 🎤 in What’s App to record your voice and practice your English speaking and listening skills. Listen to my question and record your response in this group or in an individual message.

6:51 AM

I plan to visit the site often.

I just want to see you all reach your goals.

9:35 AM

I am still in the google classroom and here on what's app. Everyday you can practice your writing, grammar, spelling and speaking, listening and pronunciation by telling me what you learned in class. 😊

9:36 AM

Ok.

Good job my best teacher

9:39 AM

Thank you very much Ms Pamela
Receive messages by phone or email.

JUNE 13, 2017 9:28 AM
Pamela Jo Wilson | DFSC
Everyone

What is the weather like today in Delray? It is 6:28 am in California, three hours behind FL. Have a nice class!

JUNE 3, 2017
Pamela Jo Wilson | DFSC
ESOL LEVEL 4
Sent to 0

Our Google classroom notes from class that I commented on the progress of your writing.

JUNE 16, 2017 10:44 AM
Pamela Jo Wilson | DFSC
ESOL LEVEL 4
Sent to 28

The progress assessment is next week. Practice on your phone www.burlingtonenglish.com to improve your skills.

JULY 17, 2017 2:14 PM
Pamela Jo Wilson | DFSC
ESOL LEVEL 4
Sent to 28

Hello everyone! Some of you need hours so please come to class tomorrow. The progress assessment is on Tuesday. :0)

JULY 23, 2017 4:25 PM
Pamela Jo Wilson | DFSC ESOL LEVEL 4
Sent to 28

Hello students, the progress assessment is on Tuesday, July 25th. I hope to see everyone tomorrow. Monday July 24th!
Hello, everyone! Jhunson wants you to remember that the party is on Monday. Please come! 🎈

Pamela Jo Wilson
DFSC ESOL LEVI
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I hope you’re having a wonderful Sunday after See you in class tomorrow

JULY 16, 2017 8:22 PM

Thank you same to you God bless you have good night

JULY 17, 2017 7:06 AM

Pamela Jo Wilson
DFSC ESOL LEVI
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AUGUST 2, 2017 3:11 PM

Hi Mr Pamela my soon with me I’m so sorry I’m not come to school

AUGUST 2, 2017 10:53 PM

Thank you for letting me know, Marie. I hope you are feeling better. (didn’t come)

AUGUST 5, 2017 2:22 PM

Type a message

Type a message

Type a message

Good morning my teacher How was your week?

JULY 17, 2017 9:29 AM

I can not take the exam today?

JULY 27, 2017 8:05 AM

I’m going to use these days Burlington. Thanks Ms Pamela
So
Which device do we begin with?
TIP: Do a phone drive. Smart phones without cell service still have wifi connection capabilities.
When do we begin
TOMORROW IS TOO LATE, YESTERDAY IS OVER AND NOW IS EXACTLY THE RIGHT MOMENT SO START.

www.thenext28days.com/start
Where do we begin
Time to practice…. 

LET’S CREATE YOUR GOOGLE CLASSROOM & meet the session objective!
LET'S BUILD A GOOGLE CLASSROOM!
Steps to Creating Your Google Classroom | NO GOOGLE ACCOUNT

1. If you do not have a gmail account, let’s create one
2. Use the waffle to search for “classroom”
3. Click on the classroom icon to open
4. Select ‘teacher’ as your role
5. Look top right and click on the “+” sign
6. Click on create and name your class
7. Congratulations you have created your first class!
Steps to Adding Your First Google Classroom Announcement

1. Go to the “+” sign on the bottom right
2. Click to access the menu
3. Select announcement
4. Write post and click on any of the attachment tools to attach a document, youtube video (now a G Suite app) or upload file from drive
5. Click post
6. You may edit posts using the three dots at the top right of each post

Happy Teaching!
Tips & Tricks

1. Create and add a topic to each post to group common themes
2. Post pictures
3. Post videos
4. Use classroom as your go-to or launch plan for each lesson as you house your lesson plans and resources there
5. Allow students to post
6. Be consistent

Happy Teaching!
• Launch the app
• Enter the grid
• Click ‍ to add response
• Add ‍ to add video
• Click ‍
• Take ‍take a selfie
• Add ‍📝🙂 (optional)
• Click ‍
• Enter info & submit

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Questions?
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<th>1. True or False? You need a <strong>Google for Education</strong> account in order to create a google classroom for students.</th>
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<td>2. Complete the acronym and give the full name <strong>This act is calling for more digital literacy</strong> ___ ___ O ___</td>
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<td>3. Name 3 reasons our students stop out of class and 1 way technology may positively impact <strong>retention</strong>.</td>
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<td>4. True or False? <strong>YouTube</strong> is a part of the <strong>G Suite</strong>.</td>
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<td>5. Name 1 thing you can do in <strong>Google Classroom</strong> to provide listening practice for your students?</td>
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<td>6. Name 2 <strong>apps</strong> that will allow your students to do speaking practice.</td>
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<td>7. True or False? Educational Institutions don't have technology <strong>policies</strong>. They really don't care what you do with or how you use their technology.</td>
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<td>8. What is the gist of <strong>FERPA</strong>?</td>
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<td>9. Which is correct? 1. <strong>Flipgrid</strong> can only be used on a phone. 2. <strong>Flipgrid</strong> can be used on both desktop and mobile devices.</td>
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....for attending my session. Enjoy the rest of
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