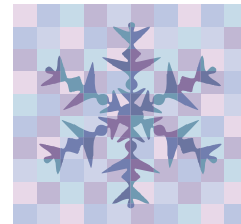
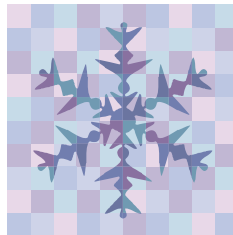
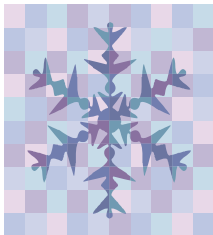


TESL WW's Winter News

Greetings TESL WW members! Winter is finally here, as we all knew it would be. In this TESL WW Winter bulletin, we've got some interesting winter facts that you can share with your students, and information on our upcoming PD event in February! With breakfast and two informative morning workshops, this PD event is sure to help keep those February blahs at bay. Register early to be assured a space in the workshop of your choice. TESL WW is sending out a call for nominations for the position of President-Elect for the 2007-2008 term. Elections will be held at the AGM in the Spring. A description of the role of President-Elect can be found further in this newsletter. Please consider joining the TESL WW executive!



A Winter Wonderland

While it's beautiful, and has recently managed to lure many students' attentive gazes away from their devoted teachers, it's hard to believe that this snowy wonderland outside our classroom windows could ever be a place of extreme danger. But beyond its charming crystalline exterior, lurk the very real dangers of winter. How savvy are your students when it comes to surviving winter? Even the most well-seasoned winter dwellers could use a reminder now and then. So, as we're plowing through the term, and shoveling our way through papers, why not brush up on some cold hard facts to share with your students?

Windchill. Was there ever a crueller pairing of nouns that carried a more negative connotation? No, this is not a word challenge, but rather a friendly reminder that hypothermia can set in when the windchill drops below -10 c. Your students, and especially those who shun toques, and mukluks, should also know that exposed skin can freeze in only 10 minutes

when the windchill plummets below -28 c. This risk is even greater for students who continue to bike to school throughout the winter. For more information on frostbite and its prevention encourage students to visit:

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/background/forcesofnature/frost-bite.html>

A complete chart detailing the various degrees of windchill hazards can be found at the following Environment Canada website:

<http://www.msc->

[smc.ec.gc.ca/education/windchill/windchill_threshold_chart_e.cfm](http://www.msc-smc.ec.gc.ca/education/windchill/windchill_threshold_chart_e.cfm)

And after you have your students vowing never to set a chilly foot outside ever again, you can remind them of what inspired their original dreamy stares outside your classroom window.....

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/background/forcesofnature/snow.html>

Snow!!!



A Call for Nominations for the Position of President-Elect!

Role of President – Elect:

- ❖ The president-elect is a Non-Affiliate Director and member of the Core Executive and is expected to attend meetings as called.
- ❖ In the absence of the President, the President-Elect will formally call, chair and conduct TESL WW business. If the President is unavailable, the President-Elect will also exercise the duties of the President as required between meetings.
- ❖ The President-Elect shall be available for consultation with other committees or groups as requested by the President.
- ❖ The President-Elect shall automatically assume the office of President when the one year term ends and the existing President becomes Past President.

Qualifications: must be a member of TESL WW

Read on for information about our upcoming PD workshop.

TESL WW Winter Workshop

Saturday, February 17, 2007 at Conestoga College
Registration and Breakfast begin at 8:30 am

Available Workshops:

Early Session 9:15 am to 10:30 am

Bringing Grammar to Life Through Pronunciation Practice

by Kathryn Brillinger *from Conestoga College*

This workshop will provide a technique for re-enforcing grammar concepts through pronunciation practice. The technique can be adjusted for all levels and the workshop will provide various example handouts suitable for primary students, literacy students, intermediate adult ESL students and TOEFL level practice.

A New Look at Error Correction

by Julia Williams *from Renison College*

Would you like to reduce your marking load? This presentation will demonstrate how to use a unique error correction tool that may decrease teacher marking time and increase student motivation. (Most appropriate for secondary and adult students.)

Later Session 11:00 am to 12:15 am

TOEFL iBT Workshop

by Dara Lane *from Renison College*

Through hands on practice, this workshop will familiarize participants with the iBT TOEFL format.

Collaborative Awareness Reading Training (CART): A Strategic Reading Approach for Second Language Learners.

by Maggie Heeney *from Conestoga College*

The workshop presents Collaborative Awareness Reading Training (CART) which is a four step collaborative process that scaffolds and teaches reading strategies so that learners can work together to raise awareness of how to fix-up comprehension breakdown when reading is difficult. This interactive approach makes reading class fun while learning and practicing effective strategies.

Tear-Off Registration Form

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____ Place of Employment: _____

Workshop Choices: Please check **one** box for each session:

| Early Workshop Session 9:15 to 10:30 | | Later Workshop Session 11:00 to 12:15 | |
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| Bringing Grammar to Life | A New Look at Error Correction | TOEFL iBT | Collaborative Awareness Reading Training |
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Mail to: Lorraine Lasmanis: 144 Briarcliffe Cres. Waterloo ON, N2L 5T8

Cost: TESL Ontario members \$10; Non-Members and at door registration \$15. (Please make cheques payable to TESL WW). **The registration deadline is Tuesday, February 13, 2007.** Please contact

lorraine.lasmanis@wcsb.edu.on.ca for additional information.