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Catching Up Your ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS Who Have Fallen Behind





A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

Jennifer Benedict Medina

Outstanding EL Teacher, Author and International Presenter

Specifically Designed for Grades K-12: EL Teachers, Classroom Teachers, Instructional Aides, Title I Staff, Interventionists, and Administrators

The most effective EL teaching strategies to catch up your English Learners who have fallen behind

Specific ways to strengthen the grammar, reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills of your ELs to strengthen their achievement

Practical methods for building your ELs' skills to prepare them for instruction in English and content areas

Receive an extensive EL instruction digital resource handbook packed full of ideas, strategies, lessons, and useful resources you can use immediately to help catch up your English Learners

LIVE ONLINE SEMINARS

March 5

9 AM Eastern, 8 AM Central, 7 AM Mountain, 6 AM Pacific

March 12

9 AM Central, 8 AM Mountain, 7 AM Pacific, 10 AM Eastern

CEUs and Graduate Credit Available
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CAN'T ATTEND?

Order the recorded version and take the seminar online at your convenience (see page 6)

"This was the best seminar I've had. I've learned so much."

– YVONNE MARTINEZ, TPI /EL TEACHER

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

"The seminar provided actionable activities and ideas for me to use as an ESL teacher. The content was directly applicable to my position and my students' needs."

– KIRSTEN GATTI, ESL TEACHER



Who Should Attend

Grades K-12: EL Teachers, Classroom Teachers, Instructional Aides, Title I Staff, Interventionists, and Administrators

1. **Help Your English Learners (ELs) Who Have Fallen Behind to Catch Up**
   Expand your personal repertoire of teaching tools to help your ELs who have fallen behind to catch up

2. **Lessen Your English Learners' Gap**
   Keep ELs learning alongside their peers with scaffolded instruction … Quick, timesaving, easy-to-use techniques perfect for ELs

3. **Increase Oral Language and Academic Vocabulary Development**
   Engage your ELs in vocabulary strategies that will accelerate their academic language development in English and the content areas … Increase active student participation and engagement

4. **Employ Research-Based Accelerated Learning Methods and Incorporate All of the Language Domains**
   Learn how to accelerate second language acquisition through proven, motivating and fun techniques while including all five language domains – reading, writing, grammar, listening and speaking

5. **Help Your ELs Make Greater Gains in Academic and Emotional Well-Being with Advocacy and Family Engagement Strategies**
   Discover easy-to-incorporate strategies for self-advocy and family engagement strategies to boost your students' results while also supporting EL families

6. **Teacher-Friendly Ideas to Engage ALL Proficiency Levels**
   Maximize instruction with lesson planning resources designed to meet the needs of all levels in the same lesson … Practical resources for EL strategies and scaffolds

7. **Provide Social and Emotional Support for ELs Impacted by Learning Gaps**
   Incorporate practical strategies for supporting the social and emotional needs of ELs who are anxious or simply need a little more encouragement and understanding

8. **Target Your Instruction to Meet the Varied Needs of Your ELs**
   Ensure your ELs receive focused instruction and have different ways to show what they have learned specific to their various proficiency levels

9. **Make Content Comprehensible so ELs (and all students) Can Access Grade-Level Curriculum**
   Discover ways to build in supports to scaffold ELs at varied levels of language proficiency … Encourage your ELs to practice English across content areas

10. **Receive an Extensive EL Instruction Digital Resource Handbook**
    You will receive a comprehensive EL instruction digital resource handbook full of practical ideas, strategies, lessons, and useful resources you can immediately use in your instruction

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...



- **Innovative instructional strategies** specific to meeting students at their proficiency levels
- Accelerated learning methods and strategies to **optimize opportunities for academic growth and achievement of ELs**
- Effective ways to optimally **support ELs who struggle**
- **How to increase motivation and student engagement** to help ELs make strong academic gains in English and the content areas
- **Exciting, hands-on, and engaging ways** to enhance your current lessons to catch up ELs who have fallen behind
- **High-impact strategies** to help accelerate your ELs' content area knowledge and skill acquisition
- How to **effectively help support the social and emotional needs** of ELs who have fallen behind
- Strategies to **create a language and vocabulary-rich environment** to support ELs' learning and development
- Ways to **scaffold and differentiate your instruction** to best meet the needs of your ELs
- **Ideas, Ideas, Ideas** … Outstanding strategies for increasing ELs' achievement and motivation and support for teachers with ELs in ELD pull out or mainstream classrooms

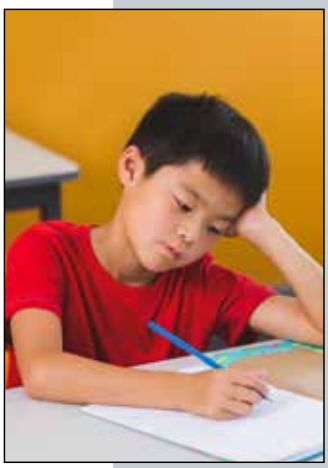


"It was refreshing to attend a workshop specific to language learners, learn new strategies, and think about familiar strategies in new ways. Very relevant for my job! Thank you!"

– JESSICA KITTERMAN, EL SPECIALIST

Practical Ideas and Strategies

Are you looking for the best ways to provide targeted, engaging EL instruction in the face of a growing gap in your ELs' academic achievement? Are you searching for ways to help English Learners who have fallen behind? If so, you won't want to miss this seminar by outstanding EL teacher, **JENNIFER BENEDICT MEDINA**. The focus of this seminar is on the most effective instructional strategies. Learn how to provide the instructional supports necessary to meet each of your ELs right where they are and to accelerate their progress. Discover an array of strategies for targeting your instruction to meet the varied needs of your ELs. **With an extensive digital resource handbook and effective instructional strategies, you will leave this seminar with a renewed desire to make a marked difference in the lives of your English Learners.**



A Message From Seminar Leader, Jennifer Benedict Medina



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

JENNIFER BENEDICT MEDINA's 30+ years of experience have been centered around language acquisition, literacy and literature as a classroom teacher, instructional coach and EL Coordinator. Participants in Jennifer's seminars leave with a wealth of practical, proven strategies to build a strong language foundation and a love of learning in the classroom. With a diverse background in education serving a wide range of grade levels, Jennifer knows what works and what doesn't. Throughout Jennifer's career, she has been passionate about incorporating the best strategies to help each student overcome their barriers to learning, improve their mindset and find success as a student. Jennifer is the author of *Catching Up Your ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS Who Have Fallen Behind*, the extensive digital resource handbook you will receive at the seminar.

Dear Colleague:

Teaching students who are new to the English language and our culture is extremely rewarding. It also brings many challenges to ensure that our second language learners are gaining access to the mainstream curriculum and learning alongside every student despite the varied educational experiences and language levels found within one classroom. Add to this the educational gaps from limited or interrupted schooling, and it is more important than ever for every teacher to be equipped with tools and strategies that are effective, engaging and practical so both the teacher and student are successful. With many years of experience working with EL students in both mainstream and EL classrooms, I have worked to maximize language development and minimize barriers and challenges by creating engaging, ready-to-use strategies and activities that work in the classroom. Learning must be fun and motivating for EL students during the difficult transition to a new language, school, home, and culture.

I can't wait to share ideas that will help you make your EL students feel welcome in their new classrooms and to share ideas that will re-energize you and your lessons. You will take home many lessons and strategies that you can use the next day, and these ideas are not limited to EL students. As a matter of fact, many teachers will cross the hallway to find out exactly what you are doing so they can use these strategies with mainstream students, as well.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Benedict Medina

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P.S. **You will leave my seminar with many outstanding strategies you can use across all grade levels and content areas and to address ELs' linguistic, and cognitive needs!**

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What Your Colleagues Say About Jennifer Benedict Medina

*"**Love the hands-on strategies** that I can share with my students and with the teachers in my building."*

– Tracey Kendall-Parent, ESOL

*"**Very helpful hands-on activities** that we can take to classroom right away."*

– Jana Baitzel, ESL Teacher

*"I thought Jennifer Benedict Medina was **very engaged with us and knowledgeable in her subject area.** I could tell she had lots of hands on experience and the information was very useful."*

– Heidi Beazer, ELL Specialist

***"Jennifer is amazing!** I always leave as a stronger teacher."*

– Annette Rainear, ESL Specialist

*"If I can come away from a seminar with at least one new idea, I consider it a success. **I am happy to say I have gained many new ideas to enhance my ELs' development of language.**"*

– Kerry DeJesus, English Learner Education Teacher







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"This was wonderful! Great strategies that I could use right away! Jennifer was knowledgeable about the subject and had so much to offer!"

– JESSICA NEWKIRK, ESL TEACHER

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- Dozens of powerful strategies to help ELs get the most out of your lessons and catch up with grade-level peers
- Resources to share with colleagues supporting English Learners
- Effective ideas for engaging students to maximize learning success
- Strategies for supporting the social and emotional needs of ELs
- Fun and innovative approaches to accelerate language acquisition and content area learning, and to make the most of your instructional time

Consultation Available

Jennifer Benedict Medina will be available for consultation regarding your questions and the unique needs of your own EL program.

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Registration (ECM7S1)

☐ **1. March 5, 2027** (Start time: 9 AM Eastern)
☐ **2. March 12, 2027** (Start time: 9 AM Central)
—or —
☐ **3. I'd like to order the recorded version of this seminar**

FIRST NAME M.I. LAST NAME

POSITION, SUBJECT TAUGHT GRADE LEVEL

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