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English Language Learning

Sponsors are responsible for connecting refugee newcomers to free or subsidized options for English language learning. Use this guide to help locate formal English language learning opportunities in your area and access online resources.

Locating formal English language learning opportunities in your area

- National Literacy Directory
- Faith communities, libraries, and/or literacy volunteers in your community may offer English language learning opportunities.
- Local community colleges may have courses available that are suitable for refugee newcomers who have a good baseline in English proficiency. Financial aid may be available.

Informal English language learning

• Sponsors or other community members may supplement the refugee newcomer's formal language classes with informal lessons and/or online learning tools.

Online English Language Learning Resources

- Best Practices for Adult Refugees in the ESL Classroom Curriculum ideas for working with adult refugees including sample ESOL curriculum for refugees by Nicole Nichterarise
- <u>Englishspeak.com</u> Every-day dialogues and vocabulary recorded in normal and slow speed and broken down by sentence.
- <u>www.learningchocolate.com</u> Aims to help students and children to memorize English vocabulary
 in an easy and efficient way, by using pronunciation and games.
- www.gamestolearnenglish.com Online English games focused on beginner / elementary level
- <u>VOA Learning English</u> English language lessons from Voice of America with vocab, listening, and writing lessons
- <u>www.manythings.org/listen</u> Interesting articles and videos for ESOL learners.
- http://www.newsinlevels.com Civics and News articles written for ESOL learners
- Apps for English Learning: Duolingo, Memrise, Busuu, LearnEnglish Grammar, Babbel
- Youtube channels for English Learning: Speak English with Mister Duncan, VOA Learn English, Slow Easy English, BBC Learning English
- English Picture Dictionary Contains more than 2500 illustrations with translations in more than 50 languages.