

# 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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A Project of:  
NEW LANGUAGE SOLUTIONS



**Whether you are volunteering 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 on 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 delve into 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 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 "realia" 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.**"*

***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.*

*"**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."*

**ALL GRADUATES  
RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE  
OF PARTICIPATION!**