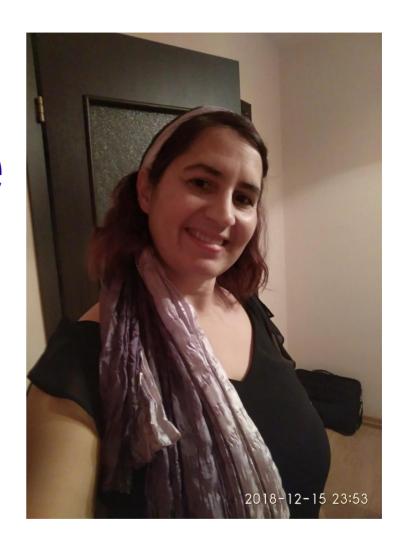
Teaching Language Through Active Learning



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Active Learning Produces Better Results

- TEFL Model the teacher speaks
 20% of the time, the learners speak
 80% of the time
- Students are more engaged, motivated, and invested in their learning.
- Students
 collaboratively
 create more
 meaning and are
 more creative.
- Higher-level thinking skills (analyzing, synthesising, and applying) are used.

The Earlier, the Better!

- Humans begin to recognize speech patterns even before birth.
- The ability to hear different phonetic pronunciation is sharpest before age 3.
- 50% of our learning pathways are created by age 4, another 30% by age 8.
- Bilingualism improves cognitive abilities, especially problem-solving.

Songs

- Build fluency, pronunciation and correct intonation
- For older learners:
 - clozes (fill in missing words)
 - rearrange the order
 - incorrect lyrics

- For young learners:
 - -nursery rhymes
 - -action songs
 - -concept songs
 - On YouTube:
 - -eflashapps
 - -Learning Station
 - -Learning English
 - for Kids
 - -English SingSing
 - -ChuChu TV

Authentic Texts and Books

- For young learners:
 - -Dr. Seuss
 - -Mo Willems
 - -a plethora of fiction and nonfiction picture books
- For older learners:
 - -Great Illustrated Classics
 - -BBC News in Levels





Little Reader

- http://www.brillkids.com
 - **/**-English
 - -Spanish
 - -French
 - -Russian
 - -Thai
 - -Chinese
 They also offer math and music.
- LeapReader



- ABC Mouse
- Create "Picture Flash" presentations

http://www.english-4kids.com/flashcards.html

Emergent Reader Printable Books

- https://www.kindergartenkindergarten.com/emergent-readers/
- https://www.themeasuredmom.com/print-2/
- https://thisreadingmama.com/
- https://www.dltk-teach.com/minibooks/index.htm

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Story Retelling and Role Plays



Unstructured Play



Engage the Senses: Taste, Smell and Sound













- https://handsonaswegrow.com/non-touch-sensory-activities/
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Fine Motor Skills



Arts and Crafts



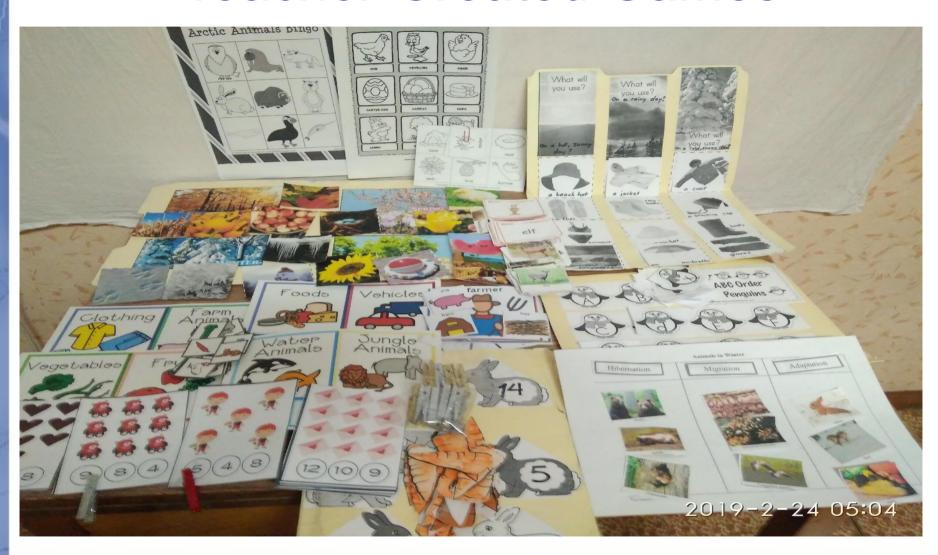


Active Games and Scavenger Hunts





File Folder and Other Teacher-Created Games



I Have ____, Who Has ____?

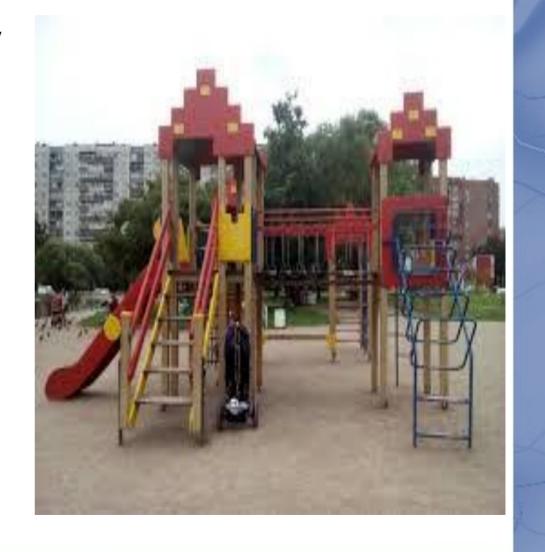
I have blue.	I have green.	I have yellow.
Who has the color of grass?	Who has the color of a banana?	Who has the color of a tree trunk?
I have brown.	I have pink.	I have orange.
Who has the color of a tongue.	Who has the color of a carrot?	Who has the color of a snowman?
I have white.	I have red.	I have purple.
Who has the color of a strawberry?	Who has the color of a plum?	Who has the color of the sky?

Commercial Games



Field Trips and Outings

- Natural vocabulary from real objects and real situations
 -parks and playgrounds
 - -stores
 - -museums
 - -petting zoos, farms, zoos
 - -Use every opportunity!!!



Picture Descriptions, Picture Differences, and Information Gap Exercises



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Key Words to Search for Ideas

- Bilingual Baby
- Teaching Infants
- Teaching Toddlers
- Preschool
- Homeschool

- Active Learning
- Project-based Learning
- 21st Century Learning

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