

Let Routines Set You Free: The Power of Predictability in Adult EL Instruction

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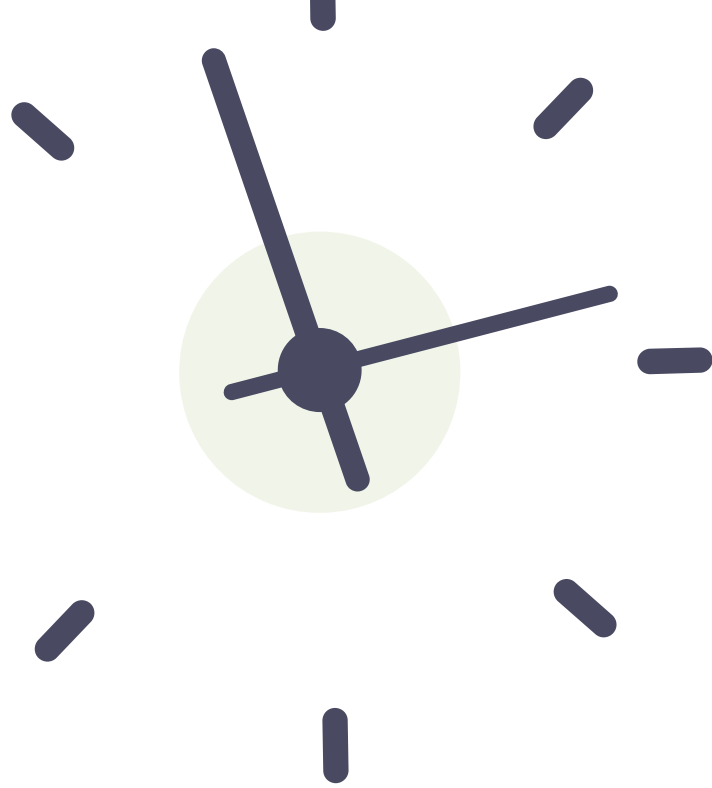
Pause & Reflect

English 1-2



Class Makeup

- CASAS Steps Reading Scores: 165-208
- CASAS Steps Listening Scores: 179-229
- Wide variety of language backgrounds
- Wide variety of prior educational experience
- 15-25 learners a day
- Hyflex delivery method
- 3 hours a day, 4 days a week



"Routines are the backbone of daily classroom life. They facilitate teaching and learning.... Routines don't just make your life easier, they save valuable classroom time. And what's most important, efficient routines make it easier for students to learn and achieve more."

—Learning to Teach...Not Just for Beginners by Linda Shalaway

Soft Landing



Monday: Dates and Time

JANUARY	JULY
FEBRUARY	AUGUST
MARCH	SEPTEMBER
APRIL	OCTOBER
MAY	NOVEMBER
JUNE	DECEMBER



Tuesday: Letter Tiles



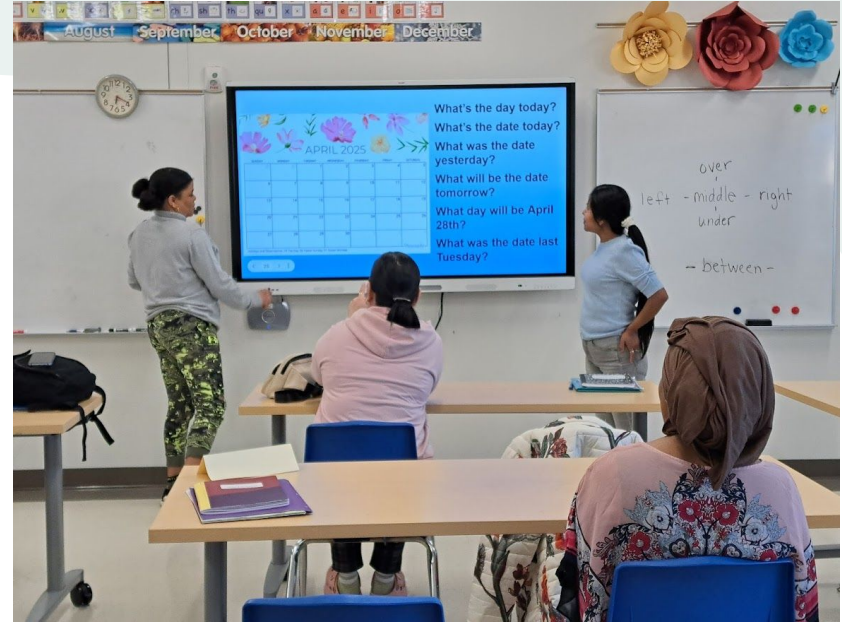
Wednesday: Numbers



Thursday: Sight Words



Basic Language



Buenos Dias

Nyob zoo dobryi utra

Dobryi ranok (Nyaw shong)

Ademin aderachoo

صباح الخير

Subah hulhiri

Good

Bel kay jam

morning!

Bonjour

Subax wanaagsan

Akam bulton

Su bah hi

How are you today?



I'm great.



I'm fine!



I'm okay. (So-so)



I'm tired.



I'm stressed.



I'm sad.



What's the day today?

What's the date today?

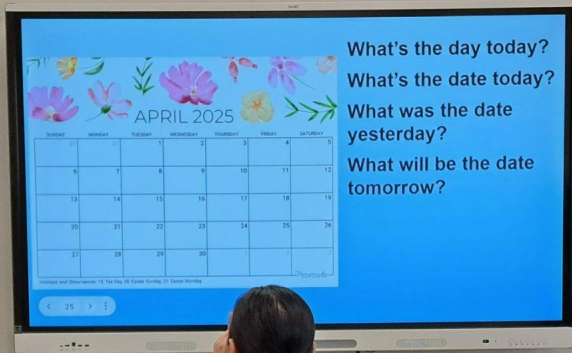
**What was the date
yesterday?**

**What will be the date
tomorrow?**

**What was the date last
Thursday?**

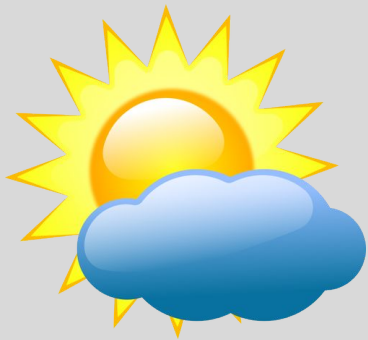
**What will be the holiday
tomorrow?**

July August September October November December

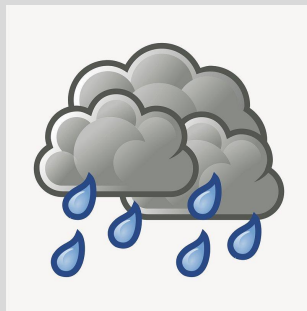


over
left - middle - right
under
- between -

What's the weather today?



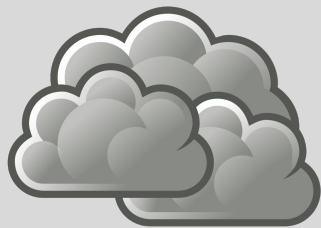
Partly cloudy



Rainy



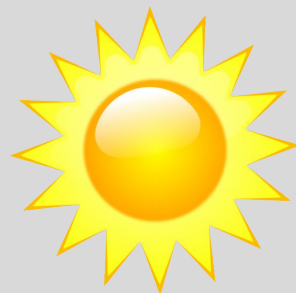
Snowy



Cloudy



Windy



Sunny

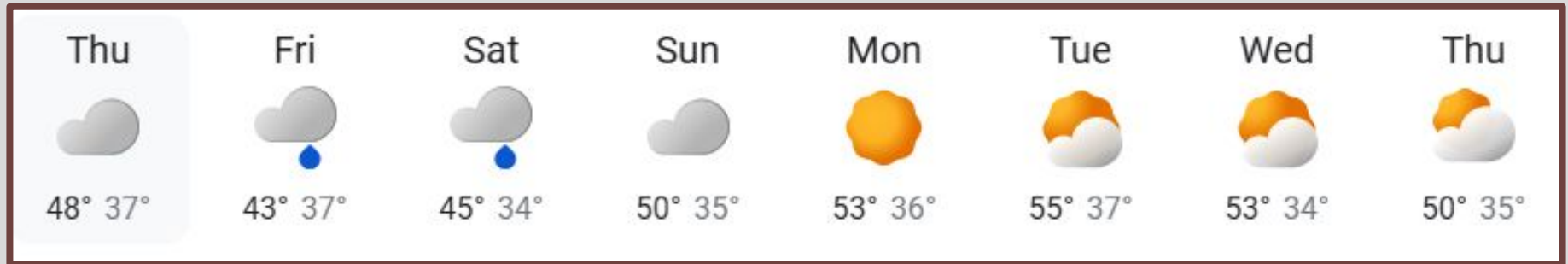
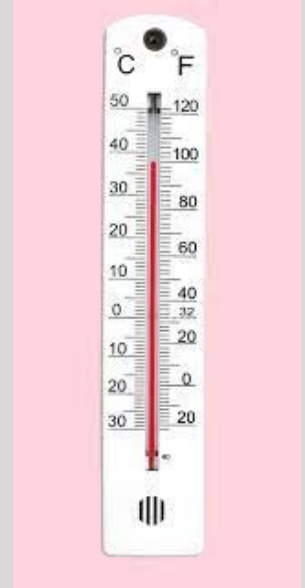
What's the temperature outside?

It's _____ degrees.

What will be the warmest day this week?

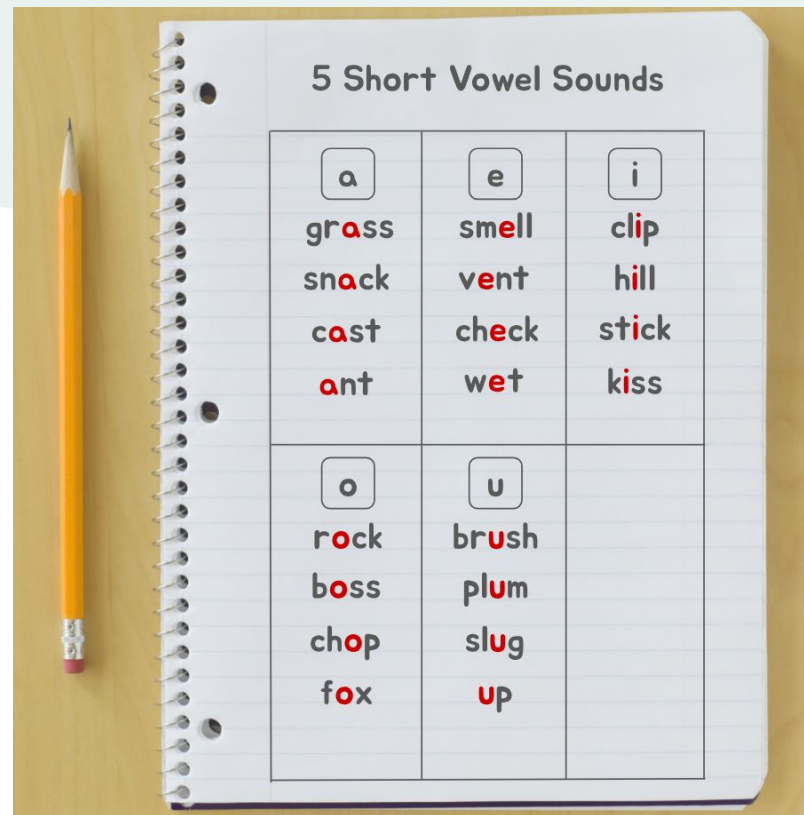
What will be the coolest day this week?

Do you like the weather forecast?





Spelling and Phonics



ABC English

abc English

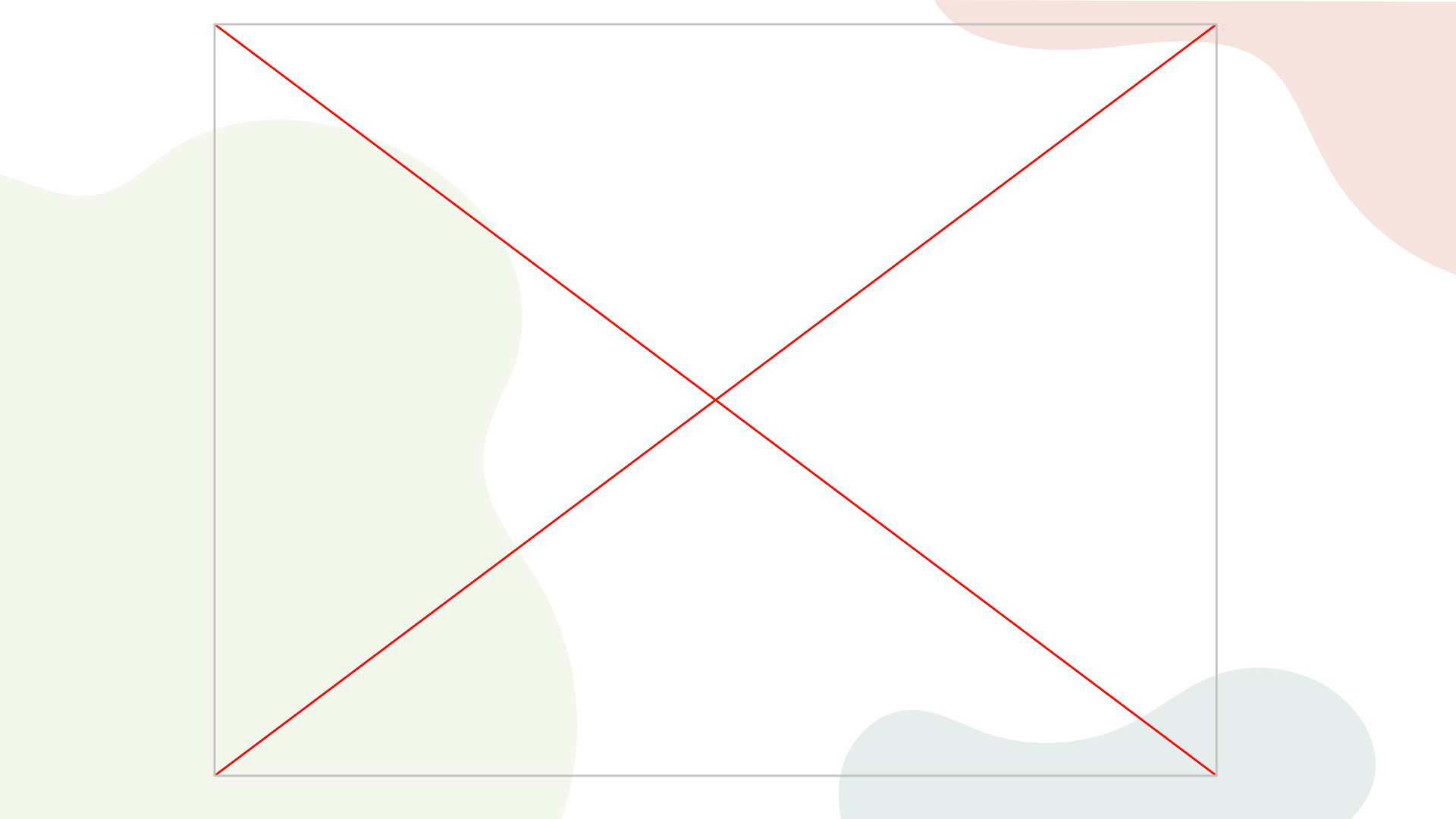
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Phonics: ABC English

"I've never seen learning happen so fast." Andrea, EL 1-2

"It's like magic." Nicki, EL 3

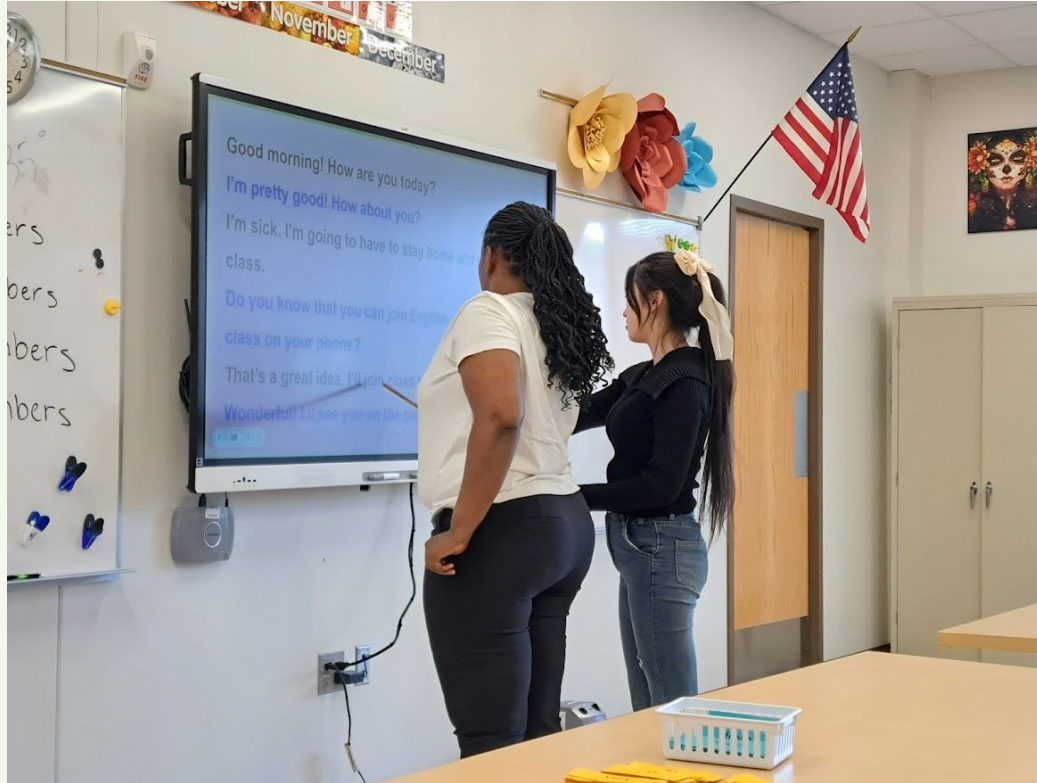
"It's so easy and learners love it." Mary, EL 3

"With this new system you're using, I'm going to learn to read in a year." Evelyn, EL 1-2

"I've been in class for a long time, and this is the best I've ever learned. I'm really learning how to read." Sallamatu, EL 1-2

"Holy @\$%&@, this is good."* Camila, EL 6

Conversation and Reading



Reading and Conversation





Hi! How're you?

I'm okay, but feeling a little down.

What's wrong?

I'll miss my school and my classmates this summer.

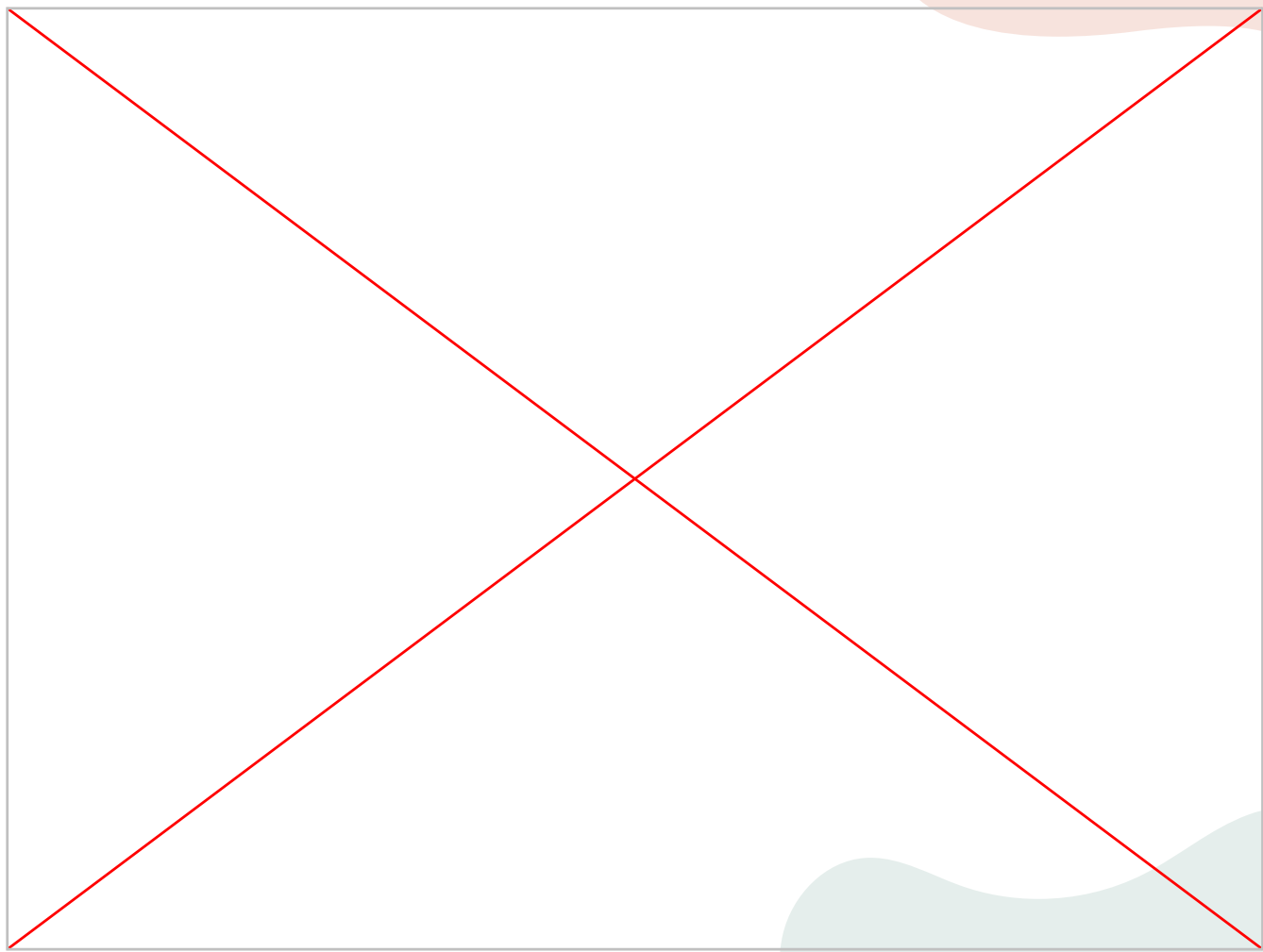
I'm sorry. I'll miss them too.

How will you practice English this summer?

I'll do the homework that Andrea sends, and I'll join the Zoom calls to practice speaking.

Me too. And I can't wait to see you on September 2nd!

I know! I'll see you in two months.



Writing



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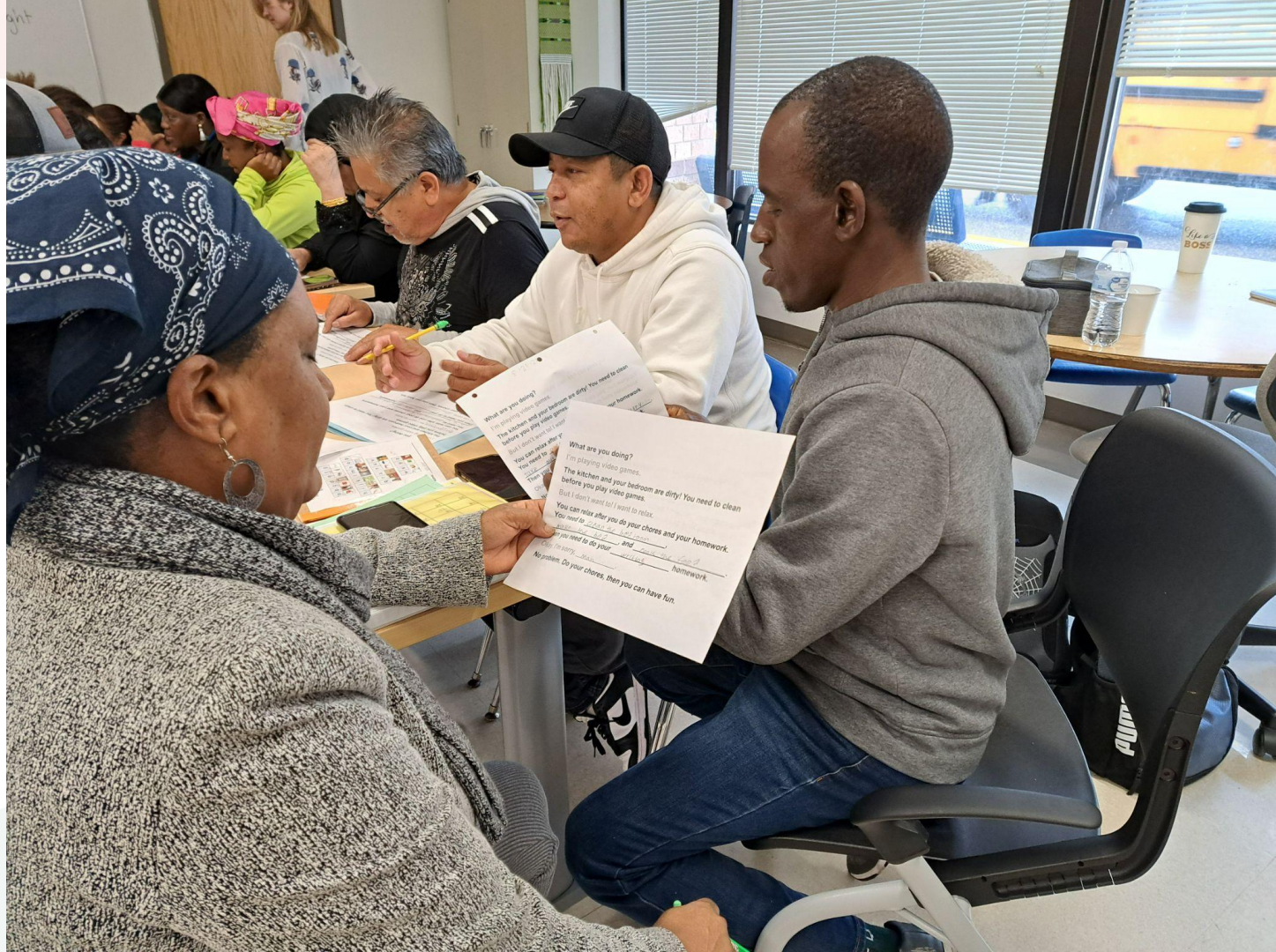
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Listening



5 { V- 10pm, 8:³30am, ⁸grocery store
A- 10pm, 3:⁴am, shopping
Mig - 10pm, 5:¹30am, grocery store
S- 11:⁶30pm, 4:²30am, shopping

7-5 hours

Vianey Aminata Miguel Suwanun

1. Miguel
2. Suwanun
3. Vianey
4. Aminata
5. Aminata, Miguel and Vianey
6. Suwanun
7. Aminata and Suwanun
8. everybody

1. How could you adapt any of these routines for your level and learners?
2. What do you want to learn more about?



Verb of the Week

Date: 6/26/25	Verb: to miss regular irregular
Present: miss misses	I miss the school. Vianey misses the teacher.
Negative Present	We don't miss the winter.
Past: missed [†]	Andrea missed her students on Tuesday.
Negative Past	I didn't miss work.
Present Continuous: be missing	We are missing Mauro.
Negative Present Continuous	We aren't missing winter.
Future: will miss	I'll miss you.
Negative Future	Andrea won't miss driving to work.

Verb of the Week

to finish



finish the race



I finish my school.

You finish your school.

She finishes her school.

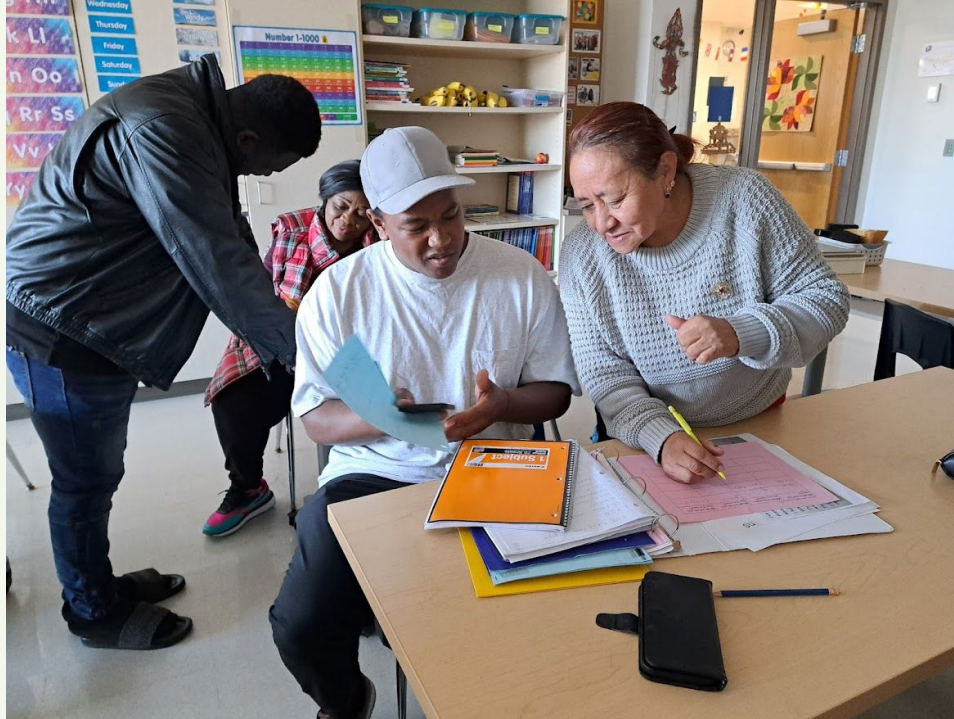
He finishes his school.

It finishes its school.

They finish their school.

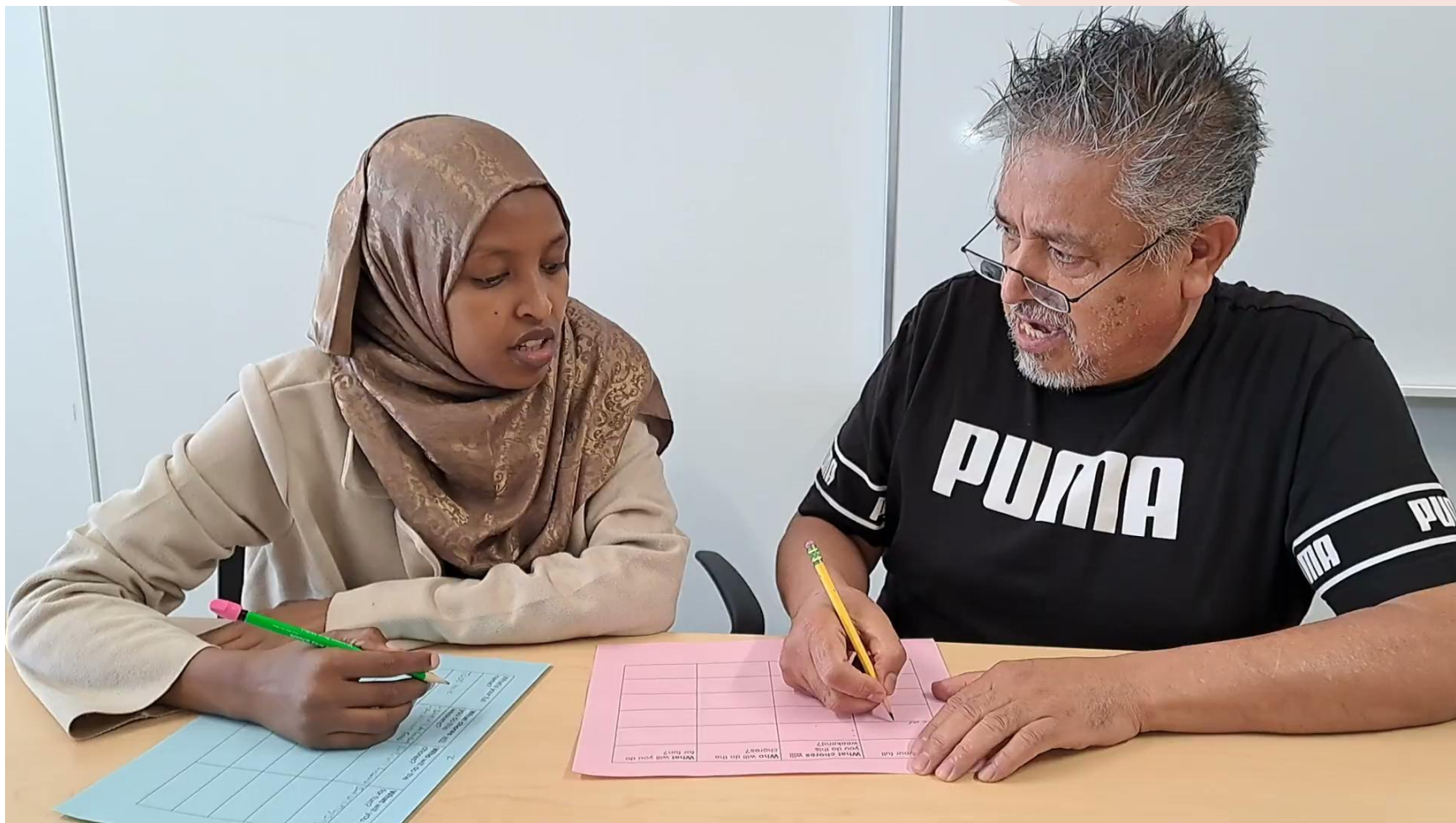
We finish our school.

Multilevel Mingle



Speaking Mingle with EL 3

What's your name?	How do you usually pay for clothes?	How do you usually pay for groceries?	What do you need to pay off right now?



What's your name?	How do you usually pay for clothes?	How do you usually pay for groceries?	What do you need to pay off right now?

I talked to _____.

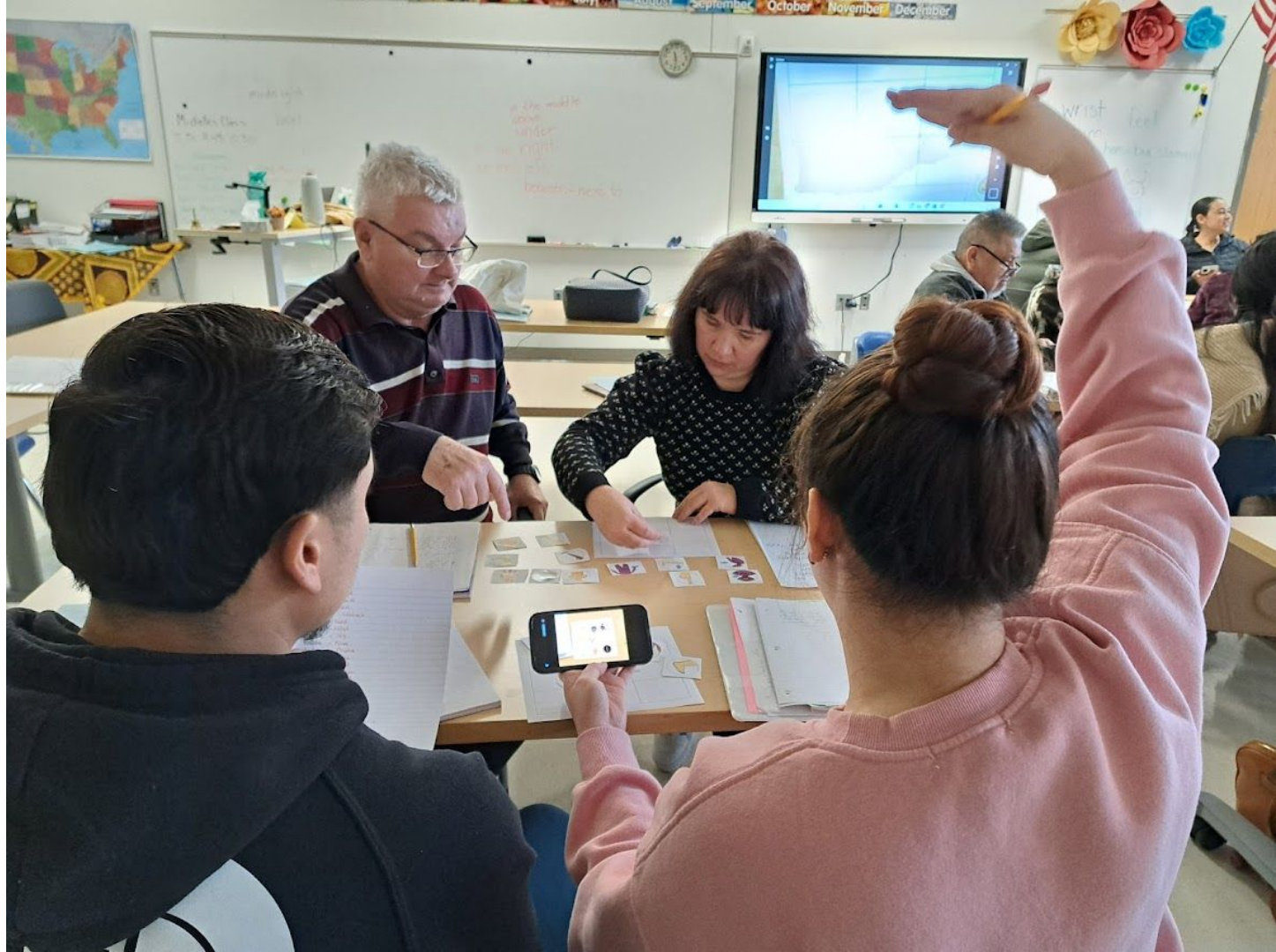
He / She uses _____ to pay for clothes.

He / She uses _____ to pay for groceries.

He / She wants to pay off **his / her** _____.

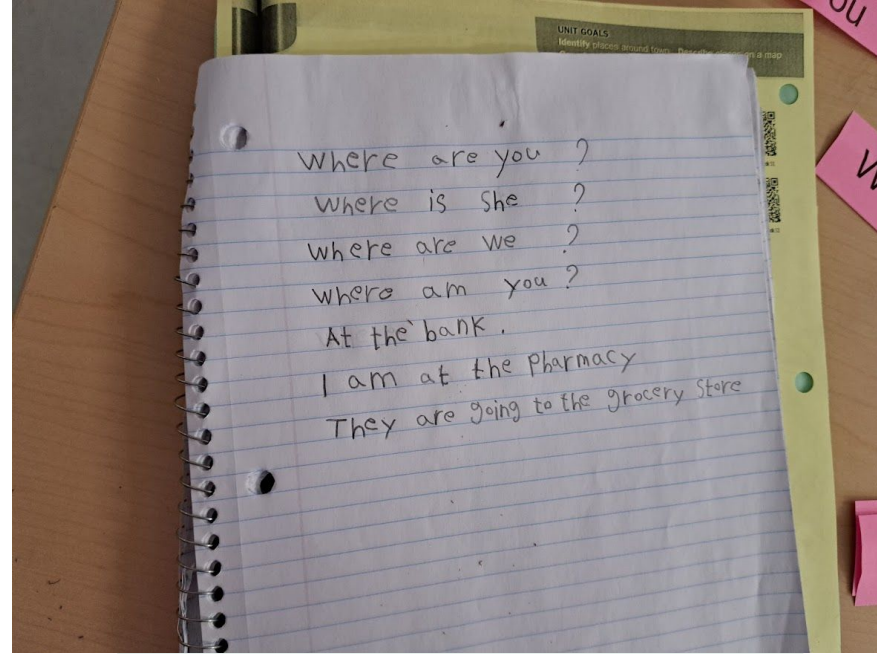
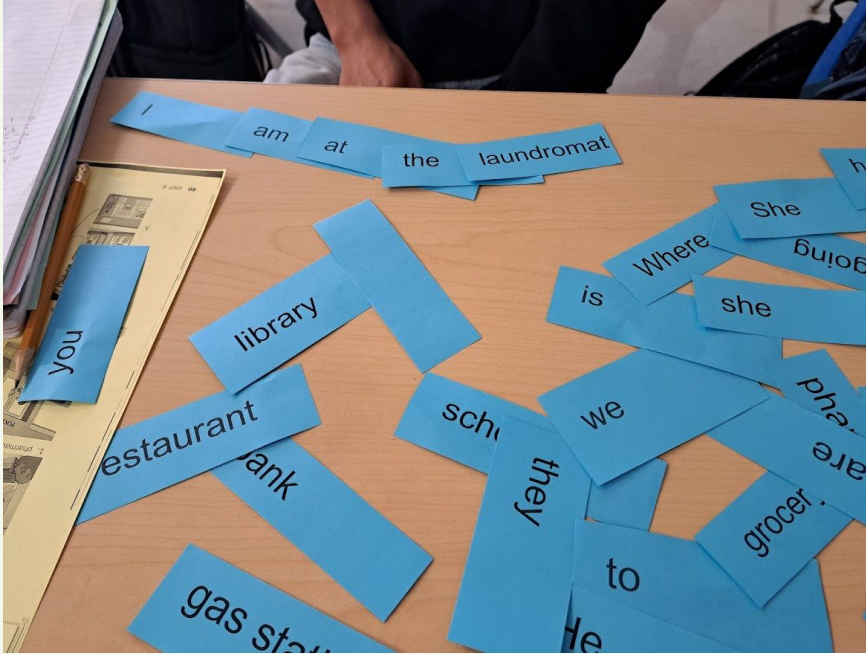
Vocabulary Practice

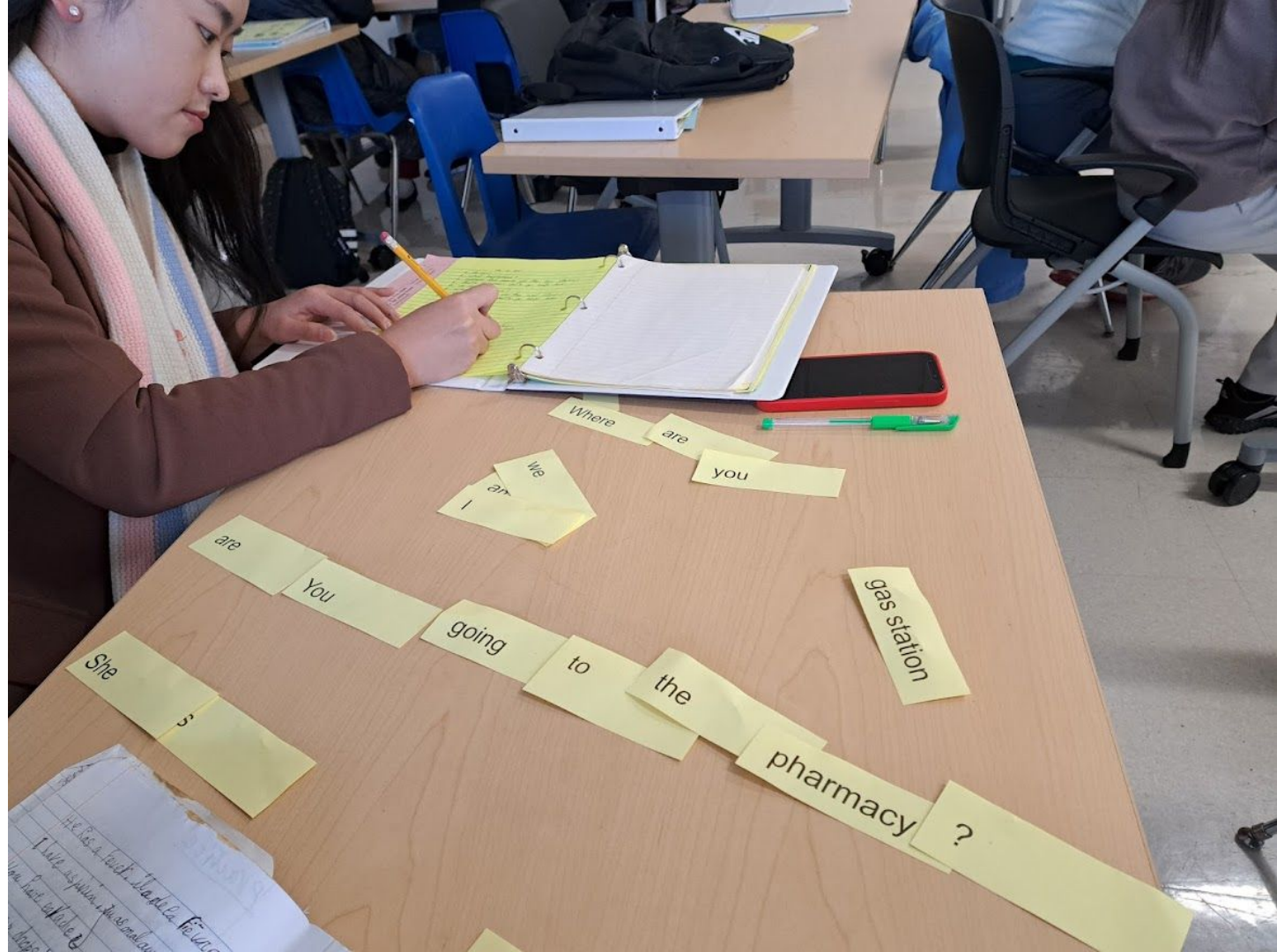


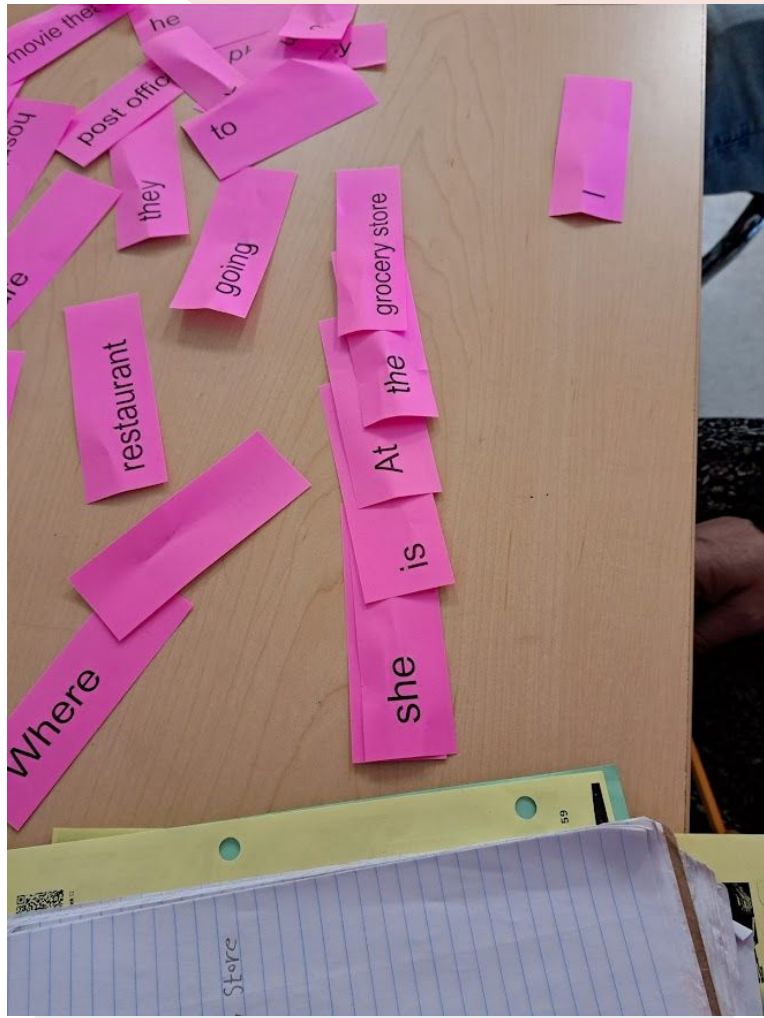




Questions and Answers







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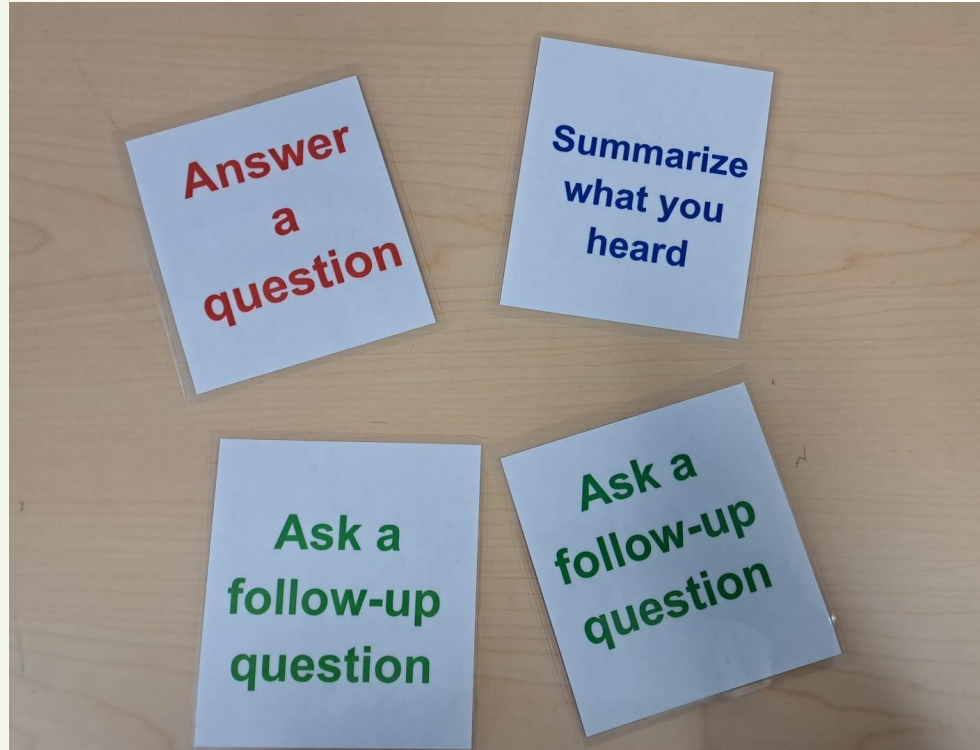
Literacy and Communication for Careers



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- Wide variety of language backgrounds
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- 6-15 learners a day
- In-person delivery method
- 1 1/2 hours a day, 4 days a week

Conversation



1. What are things you've learned that are easy for you? When did you learn them?
2. What are things you're learning that are difficult for you? When did you start learning them?
3. How long does it take you to learn something new?
4. Do you like to practice new skills? Why or why not?
5. How do you like to practice when you're learning something new?
6. What keeps you motivated to keep practicing?



Writing Fluency: Timed



1. How comfortable are you at talking to new people?
2. Do you enjoy making small talk?
3. What topics do people talk about in Minnesota when they meet someone new?
4. What topics are easy for you to talk about in your home language?
5. What topics are easy for you to talk about in English?



Writing Fluency: Dictation



Thursday Writing Routine

Directions

- ☐ Choose a question.
- ☐ Think about your answer.
- ☐ Record your answer on your phone.
- ☐ Listen to your answer, and write it down below.
- ☐ Have a teacher correct your answer.
- ☐ Rerecord your answer with the corrections.

Soft Skills

1. What are some things that make you feel stressed in your life?
2. Is it harder for you to focus and concentrate when you are stressed out?
3. Do you ever have problems with sleeping? What happens?
4. Do you feel more sensitive when you are stressed out?
5. How do you check in with your emotions?
6. What routines do you have in place to help you stay organized?
7. What hobbies do you have that help you relax?

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chose
I ~~chose~~ this question "What topics are easy to talk about in your home language?" every questions, every topic because its my language ~~my~~ my home language and I can speak very well, very fluently, and I express to talk, to try to explain very well.

express

explain

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Thanks!

Do you have any questions?

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