## WHAT DOES AN ENL TEACHER DO?



Yes, surprisingly this question is still asked by many people every fall!

-Many think that ENL is a *support service*, but ENL is <u>not an intervention</u>. It is an integral part of high quality Tier 1 Instruction. They administer state exams (<u>NYSESLAT</u>), and many are dually certified in ENL and ELA or pursuing other certifications.

**Teaching Roles** RBERN ENLToolkit explains them well here

-ENL is a stand-alone language development program. See link for more

The ENL teacher has many roles in school:

1. English Language Development (Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking)

Small group instruction/cooperative learning

Use of bilingual picture dictionaries/glossaries many visuals and:

**Linguistics ENL Printables** 

Academic Language Vocabulary Strategies

**Word Walls with Graphics & Anchor Charts** 

**Language Objectives** are posted for students to see

Integrate <u>Literacy with Content</u> <u>Free Resources</u>

<u>Culturally Responsive Teaching methods</u> <u>Multicultural Books</u>

- 2. <u>Provide Meaningful Access to Grade Level Learning</u> (Ex. Scaffolding, Language Objectives, <u>Activating Background Knowledge</u>, Comprehensible Input, <u>Can-Do Descriptors</u>) Does not act as an Interpreter. <u>Suggests</u> content area strategies.
- 3. <u>Capacity Building</u>: Advocating and sharing expertise with colleagues, parents and the local community through <u>Co-teaching</u>, <u>Best Practices</u>, involvement in teacher groups, sharing ENL Websites & <u>Toolkits</u>, articles, posting where appropriate & presenting at staff meetings and teacher workshops. Vital ENL Contacts
- 4. Provides Answers to Common ENL Questions