

**Instructions:** [CLICK HERE](#) to read your section of the article “The English Teacher as Professional” by Penny Ur (2002). Then complete the charts below with key words and phrases. You will paraphrase these concepts for your partners when you return to the main room.

## Professional versus Academic

**Summarize the Distinction:** How are professionals and academics different?

Professional	Academic
bringer-about of real-world change	researcher, priorities rather than of substance.

**Implications:** According to the author, what are some implications of defining the English teacher as a professional in this way?

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<p>The English teacher is essentially a professional engaged in bringing about real-world change, who may on occasion undertake academic research.</p> <p>-Know your students</p> <p>-</p>

**Reaction:** Discuss these questions with your partners. You do NOT have to write your answers.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Does distinguishing the <u>professional</u> from the <u>academic</u> match your previous conception of what it means to be a professional language teacher? Why or why not?</li><li>How has this distinction appeared in your own growth as a teacher over the years if at all?</li></ul>
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