

***Discover:  
ESL Combined Skills Level D  
(High Intermediate)***



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# Level D Resources

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## For Students

### Writing/Grammar Level D

Textbook for W/G D

OER Textbook: Introduction to Academic Writing for ESOL

[Unit 1 Introduction to Academic Writing for ESOL](#)

[Unit 2 Introduction to Academic Writing for ESOL](#)

[Unit 3 Introduction to Academic Writing for ESOL](#)

[Unit 4 Introduction to Academic Writing for ESOL](#)

### General Resources:

[Dictionary Resources](#)

[Collocations: What is a Collocation?](#)

[Collocations Quiz](#)

[Irregular Verb List](#)

[Irregular Verbs Part 1 Flashcards](#)

[Irregular Verbs Part 2 Flashcards](#)

[Verb Tense Tutorial](#)

### Technology Resources:

[Google Docs: How to Get Started](#)

[Google Docs: How to Use It](#)

### Other:

[The Typing Cat](#)

## ROS Level D

Green Tea [Pronunciation Packet](#)

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- Contains reference materials, exercises, scripts, and links to some sound recordings.
- Sound recordings:
  - [Vowel Chart \(p. 4\)](#)
  - [Vowels and IPA \(p. 5\)](#)
  - [Consonants and IPA \(p. 6\)](#)

## For Teachers

[Tools](#) for looking for AWL and GSL Words

[Video Keyword Research for YouTube](#)

## Unit 1: Identity

### Chapter 1: Introductions: Who are you?

“My Name”

[Tattoos are a unique form of expression and a significant part of many identities](#)

Short opinion piece about how tattoos are used for expression. (Lexile: 1010L-1200L)

[A 103-year-old woman got her first tattoo to cross it off her bucket list](#)

Short article from CNN about an elderly woman getting her first tattoo. (Video can be accessed.) Longer articles regarding the same news story from other newspapers can be accessed. (Lexile: 1010L-1200L)

[A woman is stunned when her new driver's license came back with a picture of an empty chair](#)

Short article from CNN about the issues that can occur while getting one's driver's license card. (Video can be accessed.) (Lexile: 1210L-1400L)

[Portland police used Photoshop to change suspect's picture](#)

Article about how the police removed tattoos from a bank robbery suspect's line-up photo because no eye witnesses reported that the robber had facial tattoos, so they claim they did not want him to stand out. Includes a vocabulary exercise at the end. (Lexile: 1010L-1200L)

[Introverts and Extroverts – Main Presentation – Green Tea Communication ESOL Level 5](#)

The unit on Introverts and Extroverts in Green Tea would fit nicely into the Identity Unit.

[Who learns foreign languages better—introverts or extraverts?](#)

## Unit 1: Introverts & Extroverts

### A) Warm up ideas

- [Personality quiz](#)
- [Questions](#)

## **B) Lecture video**

- [Communication 5 : Introverts and Extroverts](#)
  - *Lecturer: Eric Dodson*
- [Lecture Listening and Note-taking Google Form](#)
- [Finishing the notes activity \(drag and drop text\)](#)

## **C) Vocabulary practice (vocabulary from the main lecture)**

- [Vocabulary 1](#)
- [Vocabulary 2](#)
- @ Quizlet [https://quizlet.com/\\_81ico4?x=1jqt&i=1d3kz8](https://quizlet.com/_81ico4?x=1jqt&i=1d3kz8)
- [Vocabulary Handout](#)

## **D) Dialog**

- [Dialog - Listening](#)
  - [Dialog about introverts and extroverts](#)
  - [Dialog activities](#)

## **E) Other videos with questions about similar topics**

- [Introvert Expert Video and Questions](#)
- [Strengths and Weaknesses of Extroverts](#)

## **F) Pronunciation activities**

- [Vocabulary from the main video](#)

## **G) Other videos**

- [Introverts and Extroverts](#)
- [Introverts & Extroverts in the time of COVID-19](#)
- [Explore the mind of the gifted introvert!](#)

## **H) Extension activities**

- [Scuba diving pizza delivery man](#)  
(H5P with idioms and unit vocabulary) <https://h5p.org/node/700064>
- [Introductions from ESL Library](#)
- [Introductions from Rachel's English](#)

## I) Assessment

- [Practice Quiz](#)
- Additional Listening Quiz: 3 Misconception about Introverts and Extroverts (to be added by Eric)

## Chapter 2: Nature vs. Nurture (How DNA or environment shapes who we are)

[Twins: A Window into Human Nature](#) (Video)

A TedX talk by Nancy Segal (11:42) A basic introduction into Twin Studies and what has been learned from them. Discussion: The role of nature vs. nurture in shaping your identity. (Lexile: 1210L-1400L)

[“Sources of Human Psychological Differences: The Minnesota Study of Twins Reared Apart” \(1990\)](#)

This article could be simplified or used as the basis to create a reading. It is a summary of the major psychological differences found in twins raised apart and could serve as a counterpoint to the similarities. (Lexile 1410L-1600L, which is well above Level D’s targets for text complexity)

[Twins: Is it all in the Genes?](#) (Video)

From “Our America” with Lisa Ling.

[Lera Boroditsky: How language shapes the way we think | TED Talk](#) (video)

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## Unit 1 Teacher Resources

[Warm-up Activity for Introverts & Extroverts.docx](#)

Ideas and Lesson Plan from the Green Tea OER, PCC (CC-BY 4.0)

[Personality Test Video: Introvert or Extrovert?](#)

Video Idea also from Green Tea OER, PCC (CC-BY 4.0)

[Questions about Identity](#)

[Writing Informal Emails and Letters](#)

Lesson Plan for ESL Students from ThoughtCo.

## Unit 2: Education

### Chapter 3: Kindergarten -12th grade

[Is Homework Beneficial? - Top 3 Pros and Cons](#)

This resource provides background information in addition to the pros and cons of the issue.

(Lexile: 1210L-1400L)

[School Uniforms - Pros & Cons](#)

This resource provides background information in addition to the pros and cons of the issue.

(Lexile: 1410L-1600L)

### Chapter 4: Higher Education

[Free College - Top 3 Pros and Cons](#)

This resource provides background information in addition to the pros and cons of the issue.

(Lexile: 1210L-1400L)

[College Education - Pros & Cons](#)

This resource provides background information in addition to the pros and cons of the issue.

(Lexile: 1410L-1600L)

[Tablets vs. Textbooks - Pros & Cons](#)

This resource provides background information in addition to the pros and cons of the issue.

(Lexile: 1410L-1600L)

## Unit 3: Decision Making

### Chapter 5: Making Decisions

#### [11.3 Understanding Decision Making – Principles of Management](#)

There are 4 short chapters on decision making in this text that could be adapted. Attribution: CC BY-NC-SA 4.0  
(Lexile: 1210L-1400L)

#### [Group Decision Making | Centre for Teaching Excellence](#)

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### Chapter 6: Picking the Perfect Pet

#### [Cats really do love their humans – ESOL News Oregon – Green Tea Communication ESOL Level 5](#)

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#### [Portland has a cat cafe by ESOL News Oregon on SoundCloud - Hear the world's sounds](#)

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#### [What's your perfect Pet? Personality Quiz](#) (video)

#### [Pros and cons of owning a cat](#) (video)

#### [Pros and cons of owning a dog](#) (video)

## Unit 3 Teacher Resources

#### [Lesson 12: Making Decisions with Data](#)

Lesson Plan includes student handout. Attribution: CC BY-NC-SA 4.0

## Unit 4: Negotiation

### Chapter 7: Prepare to Negotiate

#### [Be a Better Negotiator in Everyday Life](#)

Article from Forge.Medium.com. Resource has a 7-minute audio recording of the article for students to listen to while reading.

(Lexile: 1210L-1400L)

#### [Negotiations 1: Building Relationships](#)

Includes 1 lesson plan and worksheet for each of the 10 sections. 5 short articles on Meetings; 5 short articles on Negotiations. From British Council for Teaching English

(Lexile: 1010L-1200L)

#### [Negotiation Preparation](#)

From English Club site; includes vocabulary, quiz, and test on site.

(Lexile: 1010L-1200L)

#### [Equal Pay Article](#)

Attribution: "[ESOL News Oregon](#) by Timothy Krause is licensed under [CC BY-NC-SA 4.0](#). except where noted. Resource includes vocabulary check at the end of the article.

(Lexile: 810L-1000L)

### Chapter 8: Negotiate

#### [Negotiation Process](#)

From English Club site; includes vocabulary, quiz, and test on site.

(Lexile: 810L-1000L)

#### [Negotiation Settlement](#)

From English Club site; includes vocabulary, quiz, and test on site.

(Lexile: 1010L-1200L)

#### [How to Negotiate in English](#) (video)

YouTube video by Oxford Online English

#### [Negotiating a Better Price](#) (video)

A two-minute video about getting a better price when you shop

### [Negotiating a Raise - English ESL video lesson](#)

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### [Barbara Corcoran explains how to ask for a raise](#) (video)

(See teacher resource below.) [Business Insider](#) asked real estate mogul and "Shark Tank" host Barbara Corcoran to share her advice on how to successfully ask your boss for a raise. Corcoran also talks about what you should do if you receive an offer from another company.

### [Transcript for video](#)

## Unit 4 Teacher Resources

### [How to Ask for a Raise](#) (Lesson Plan for teachers)

Includes video with Barbara Corcoran: How to Get a Raise  
(Worksheet Reading: Lexile: 810L-1000L)

### [21 Negotiating in English Games](#)

Resource describes 21 different games to present and practice useful phrases in negotiating.

### [Negotiating Games/Worksheets for EFL Learners](#)

Website includes negotiation classroom activities, some of which reinforce the following: count & noncount nouns, conditionals, modals, prepositions, and collocations.

### [Speaking Activity: Role-Plays for Negotiation & Complaining \(ESL\)](#)

Lesson plan and handouts included (40-minute lesson)  
(Roleplay worksheet: Lexile: 610L-800L)

### Articles and Videos with Barbara Corcoran

### [Barbara Corcoran usually gives 5% to 10% raises, but has 'always given more' to employees who do this](#)

Article from CNBC. (Lexile: 1010L-1200L)

[https://www.google.com/search?safe=active&rlz=1C1AZAA\\_enUS747US840&ei=0088X\\_-nL\\_-0PEPs5Km0AU&q=barbara+corcoran...ask+for+pay+raise&oq=barbara+corcoran...ask+for+pay+raise&gs\\_lcp=CgZwc3ktYWlQAzoECAAAQRzoFCAAQzQJQySJYySJg3U9oAHABeACAAYsDiAHvA5lBBzAuMS4wLjGYAQCGAQGqAQdnd3Mtd2l6wAEB&sclient=psy-ab&ved=0ahUKEwi\\_3cTI4KXrAhX\\_HzQIHTOJCVoQ4dUDCAw&uact=5](https://www.google.com/search?safe=active&rlz=1C1AZAA_enUS747US840&ei=0088X_-nL_-0PEPs5Km0AU&q=barbara+corcoran...ask+for+pay+raise&oq=barbara+corcoran...ask+for+pay+raise&gs_lcp=CgZwc3ktYWlQAzoECAAAQRzoFCAAQzQJQySJYySJg3U9oAHABeACAAYsDiAHvA5lBBzAuMS4wLjGYAQCGAQGqAQdnd3Mtd2l6wAEB&sclient=psy-ab&ved=0ahUKEwi_3cTI4KXrAhX_HzQIHTOJCVoQ4dUDCAw&uact=5)

This is a web page with many Barbara Corcoran videos regarding negotiating.