

STRATEGIES to SUPPORT ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

- Speak slower, not louder.
- Provide outlines, advanced organizer, or visual guides.
- Write down key terms on the board.
- Integrate games.
- Read written instructions. Repeat.
- Write key concept vocabulary on a Word Wall.
- Integrate listening centers.
- Model new skills.
- Extend test time.
- Don't rescue ELLs when they struggle to speak - smile, relax your feet, face, and hands, and wait (it's hard to be tense when those body parts are loose).
- Think-pair-share.
- Provide exemplars of successful projects.
- Let students use their home language in the classroom to solve work.
- Use pictures, sketches, and graphic organizers.
- Make videos of presentations for ELLs to replay if needed.
- Liberally use checks for understanding.
- Pair up ELLs with strong oral and written English skills.
- Share a picture glossary.
- Teach with cooperative learning.
- Provide opportunities for low-stakes writing.