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# Supplementary Articles for Classroom Use

## **ESL News You Can Use**

This version of a newsletter published by the Southern Illinois Professional Development Center (December, 2006) highlights activities, resources, and ideas that area teachers have used successfully in the classroom.

## **Migrant Students Who Leave School Early: Strategies for Retrieval**

This digest examines the extent of early school leaving among migrants, conditions that precede early school leaving, common features of programs that work to retrieve dropouts, and illustrative programs that exhibit these features. The discussion of the predicament of migrant students, however, recognizes that retrieval programs must be adapted to local contexts.

## **The Election of 1800: Teaching about a Critical Moment in the History of American Constitutional Democracy**

Do students recognize the peaceable outcome of the election of 1800 as one of the most critical moments in the establishment of constitutional democracy in America? This Digest connects the election of 1800 to the social studies curriculum, summarizes core content on this key event in American history, proposes the use of historic documents by teachers and students, and recommends World Wide Web sites as sources of documents and related information.

## **English Language Instruction for Incarcerated Youth**

This digest discusses the issues and challenges in providing English language instruction to Latino and other linguistically and culturally diverse (LCD) incarcerated youth ages 16-24 and suggests best practices and models to provide this intervention in correctional settings.

## **Web Spotlight**

### **Growing a Nation: The Story of American Agriculture** *[www.agclassroom.org/gan](http://www.agclassroom.org/gan)*

The interactive multimedia CD-ROM (available from the CIAESC Resource Library and highlighted on the last page of this newsletter) utilizes innovative technology that links to online teacher resources and complements existing American history textbooks and high school history curricula. Visit the website to access the program's resources. This website provides educators with national standards met by this program, embedded primary source documents, easily navigated historical timelines, lesson plans and activities, an extensive photo gallery, and program narration.

# CIAESC Staff Development Events

## **New (Newer) Teacher Orientation**

Friday, January 19, 2007, 9 am - 3:30 pm  
Urbana Adult Education, 211 N. Race Street, Urbana, IL 61801

## **Comprehension Parts I and II**

Friday, January 19, 2007, 9 am - 3:30 pm  
Monmouth PASS, 1291 North 6th St., Suite 100, Monmouth, IL 61462

## **Using Google's "Special" Features**

Tuesday, January 23, 2007, 12 pm - 1 pm  
Online using Horizon WIMBA

## **Horizon WIMBA Walk-Through**

Wednesday, January 24, 2007, 10 am - 11 am  
Online using Horizon WIMBA

## **Introducing the New BEST Literacy Tests**

Wednesday, January 24, 2007, 1 pm - 2 pm  
Online using Horizon WIMBA

## **New (Newer) Teacher Orientation**

Friday, January 26, 2007, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm  
Peoria Adult Education, 839 W. Moss Ave., Peoria, IL 61606

## **Citizenship Basics**

Friday, January 26, 2007, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm  
Illinois Central College North, Cedar 81, 5407 N. University, Peoria, IL 61614

## **BEST Plus**

Friday, January 26, 2007, 9 am - 3:30 pm  
Heartland Community College, 1500 West Raab Rd., Normal, IL 61761

## **ICCB Updates for Teachers**

Tuesday, January 30, 2007, 2 pm - 3 pm  
Online using Horizon WIMBA

## **Science as Inquiry**

Friday, February 2, 2007, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm  
Lincoln Library (Springfield Public Library), 326 South 7th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, Bicentennial Room

## **ABE/GED/Family Literacy Provider Group**

Friday, February 2, 2007, 10:30 am - 1:30 pm  
Lakeview Library, 1137 W. Lake Avenue, Peoria, IL 61614

## **Financial Planning 101**

Tuesday, February 6, 2007, 11 am - 12 pm  
Online using Horizon WIMBA

## **ABE/GED/Family Literacy Provider Group**

Wednesday, February 7, 2007, 10 am - 11 am  
Online using Horizon WIMBA

## **Introducing the New BEST Literacy Tests**

Wednesday, February 7, 2007, 6 pm - 7 pm  
Online using Horizon WIMBA

There are no registration fees for any of our workshops. Visit our online calendar at [www.cait.org](http://www.cait.org) for workshop descriptions or to see a complete listing of workshops scheduled for Spring, 2007.

Call CIAESC at (800) 572-9033 if you plan to attend.

# CIAESC Resource Library Picks

CIAESC maintains a lending resource library of professional and classroom materials (books, videos, audiotapes, disk software and CD-ROMs) and makes the resources available at no cost to all adult education program staff in the Illinois Service Center Network service region. To check out materials listed below or to customize your search for additional resources, please go to our web site, [www.cait.org/ciaesc](http://www.cait.org/ciaesc) and click on the Resource Library graphic. To find one of the titles listed below, type the title in the search form title field and begin search. Directions to conduct your own search and to check out materials via the online shopping cart are provided. Patrons are encouraged to utilize the online system. If you do not have access to the Internet, please call (800) 572-9033 to arrange for check out.

## **Growing a Nation The Story of American Agriculture**

This Windows and Macintosh compatible CD presents the story of how agriculture has shaped the history of the United States, helping it become a prosperous nation and major world power. The program stimulates interest in agriculture and American history, engages learners in exploring meaningful historical questions, and fosters historical thinking and discussion. The program supports state and national standards for teaching history and is a tool for promoting literacy. (2005)

## **The Great Migration**

This book is a pictorial history of the exodus of African-Americans who left their homes and farms in the South around the time of World War I and traveled to northern industrial cities in search of better lives. The movement resulted in one of the biggest population shifts in the history of the United States. (1993)

## **The Laughing Classroom: Everyone's Guide to Teaching with Humor and Play**

This teacher's resource contains methods for creating an effective learning environment. The self-help tests, parables, songs, and other funny ideas presented in the book have proved successful with thousands of teachers and students throughout the country. (1993)

## **How To Get Things Done**

How do you prioritize when everything's due ASAP? How can you start projects or accomplish tasks when your phone message light blinks incessantly, your inbox is overflowing, and your computer's insisting "you've got mail"? If "too much to do, too little time" describes your life, take heart. This video is packed with ideas, techniques and solutions to winnow out time-wasters and start spending your hours more wisely. You'll discover ways to make the most of the time you have. (1998)

## **Linking Science & Literacy**

This book contains sixteen chapters that make the connection between science and literacy from the perspective of the classroom, administrators, and research. There are nine accompanying case studies that show how teachers actually made the connection. It isn't just possible to incorporate science into language arts, it also makes a lot of sense. (2006)