

Stories

A Traffic Ticket

Robert goes to Traffic Court to talk about a ticket.

Questions at the Clinic

A young woman in Linda's clinic has strange marks on her back.

Workplace Safety

Jason talks about an accident at the warehouse.

Parent-Teacher Interview

Christina learns from the mother of her student.

Understanding the Boss

Deepak helps two workers understand each other.

A Car Accident

Evan's truck hits a car in a parking lot.



Interactive English 2 is a resource for teaching English language learners and for adults who want to improve their literacy skills. Each lesson includes video, audio, text, and interactivity.

The resource is available online free of charge. ESL providers, libraries across Canada and agencies serving remote and rural learners may request a CD.

To use the resource or to request a CD, visit ie.norquest.ca

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Interactive English 2

A Reading and Listening Resource for English Language Learners and Literacy Learners

Recommended for learners at Canadian Language Benchmarks levels 2 to 4.

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Interactive English 2 is a collection of six stories about the Tremblay family, three generations who get together to celebrate important days in Canadian family life. They share stories about events in their lives, such as dealing with a car accident or sorting out a misunderstanding in the workplace.

The stories are designed to develop reading, listening, vocabulary, and cultural literacy skills for ESL and literacy students from diverse cultural backgrounds. This skill development is supported by interactive texts and activities.



Interactive English 2 supports development of reading and listening skills from levels 2 to 4 of the Canadian Language Benchmarks by embedding language instruction in real-life scenarios.

It supports the development of functional literacy skills in a Canadian cultural context. This resource is designed for ESL and literacy learners with varying levels of computer and language skills.

Minimum system requirements:

Windows	Mac
Internet Explorer 8	Safari
256 MB RAM	512 MB SDRAM
Intel Pentium 4 2.0 GHz	Power PC G4 1.25 GHz
Windows XP	OS X
1024 x 768 display	1024 x 768 display
CD Drive	CD Drive
Flash Player 9	Flash Player 9



Watch the Video

View a video about a problem that one family member encountered. Each video is 5 to 8 minutes in length.



Listen and Read

Next, read and hear the story with embedded definitions for selected vocabulary, and interactive activities that check comprehension.



Practise and Review: Vocabulary

See new, topical words in context. Explore plain language definitions. Answer questions using these words.



Practise and Review: Listening

Listen and read as four former ESL learners respond to each problem-solving story. These short vignettes portray language learners' feelings about intercultural issues.



Practise and Review: Writing

Record and express ideas in CLB-based tasks such as list making; creating a simple form; and writing an invitation, social note, or personal memory.



Teacher Resource

Choose from supplementary post-reading activities that apply the vocabulary and problem-solving skills to other situations, including the learners' own lives. Find additional ideas for use in classroom or tutorial settings.