

ProLiteracy Online Tutor Trainings

Free, online tutor trainings through ProLiteracy:

- [ESL Tutor Training](#) – for tutors of adults learning English as a second or other language
- [Basic Literacy Tutor Training](#) – for tutors of native English speakers improving basic literacy

How will I use this?

Use the online modules to prepare for success before you're matched **and** to continue advancing your skills while you are actively tutoring. For example:

1. Before you begin tutoring, complete ESL **Modules 1-6 and 13** to ensure a successful start. (If you've tutored before or have a background in adult education, you might skip Modules 1-3.)
2. While you are actively tutoring, work through ESL **Modules 7-12** to learn new skills and strategies you can use to continually improve as a tutor. After you finish each module, you can complete an exam and receive a certificate of completion to print out.

ESL Tutor Training Modules:

- **Modules 1 (Intro to ESL), 2 (Working with Adult ESL Learners) and 3 (Introduction to ESL Instruction)** offer a thorough introduction for new tutors. *Experienced tutors may find these modules a bit slow.
- **Module 13 (Getting Started)** has some great tips for calling your learner to schedule the first meeting, things to do and talk about during the first meeting and setting your relationship up for success.
- **Modules 4 (The Lesson Plan) and 5 (Assessment, Goal Setting and Evaluation)** provide practical strategies, realistic insight and downloadable materials to frame lessons for success.
- **Modules 6-12** dive into the components of ESL instruction, with handouts, examples and videos. These modules give great sample activities for: **vocabulary, conversation, pronunciation, grammar, reading, writing and language experience approach.**

Organization of the [Basic Literacy Tutor Training](#) modules is nearly identical to the ESL Training, but content focuses on basic literacy instruction for native/proficient English speakers. **Basic Literacy tutors: start with [Basic Literacy Tutor Training](#) Modules 1-6 and 12. Continue your training with Modules 7-11.