Online Teaching Strategies-Palooza

Activity Ideas:



Tutor and learner send each other a photo from the week.

- Talk about each other's photos to practice conversation.
- Work on new vocabulary words based on the photos.
 Tutor can intentionally take photos that incorporate vocabulary words from prior lessons or to preview vocabulary related to this lesson.
- Work on grammar such as past tense verbs or identifying count nouns vs. noncount nouns.
- Write sentences about the photos.
- Explore culture through the pictures: Holidays, common activities, etc.

Same/Different



Share a pair of pictures. Have the student identify what is the same and what is different.

- Ask/answer questions about similarities & differences (and in this example, foods we like/dislike...)
- Work on prepositional phrases (in this example: in the pan, on the table). You could pair pictures that share or differ in prepositional phrases.
- Work on new vocabulary words based on the photos
- Pair items from the US and their country of origin to explore cultural similarities and differences

HOUSEHOLD SCAVENGER HUNT



Take a few pictures around your home (or neighborhood) that have a theme (letter sound, shape/color, usage, rhyming words, etc.) to share as a set.

- Ask your student to identify the theme and ask/answer questions about the pictures
- Work on sounds that are common across pictures and/or can be spelled with different letter combinations
- Ask your student to take pictures of things that fit a theme (i.e. "things that have a 'oo' sound")

Mini-Video Outings



Take a short video while you are on an outing and send it to your student (at the post office, at the grocery store, taking a walk, getting the mail...)

- Write a short story describing your outing or a one or two sentence summary of your outing
- Talk about similarities and differences between how this function is done in the US and their country of origin, or between your home/store and your student's.
- Work on verb tenses, such as yesterday I went to..., today I am going to ..., tomorrow I will go to...



Designate question prompts for each number on a dice, and identify a reading or photo/video that will serve as the text for the activity.

- Work on reading comprehension by rolling a dice and asking your student a question that goes with that number, orally or in writing ("I rolled a 1. Who went to the doctor's office?")
- Work on conversation and question words by having your student generate a question that goes with the dice number rolled.

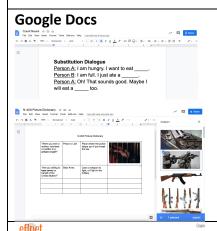
Use the <u>wheelofnames.com</u> website to customize a wheel you can spin.

- Put question words into the wheel to utilize the same approaches as "Dice Questions"
- Put different time cues into the wheel to practice verb tense (i.e. yesterday, tomorrow...)
- Use different sentence starters to practice conversation and/or writing
- Place images into the wheel instead of words to practice vocabulary



Use <u>quizlet.com</u> to find or create online flashcard sets for your student to practice vocabulary.

- You can share the link with your student so they can practice on their own and/or on their phone
- There are flashcard, multiple choice and matching activities



Bored

Use Google Docs to create shared documents.

- You can create and share sentence frames, substitution dialogues
- You can create "dueling sentences" with sentence pairs where one is correct and one has errors.
- You can share the link to the google doc with your student so your student can type into it also.
- You and your student can create a DIY Picture
 Dictionary go to *Insert*, select *Images*, select *Search* the Web, then in the pop-up box, type in the key word
 and choose an image to insert

Online activities you can do together over screen sharing.
 For example:
 Vocabulary: drag and drop picture vocabulary from http://eflnet.com/vocab/picturevocab.php

- Health-related vocabulary, reading, listening, reading comprehension activities at
- http://www.reepworld.org/englishpractice/health/index.htm
- Vocabulary bingo at https://bogglesworldesl.com/bingocards.htm