



# NYS AFLT Summer Institute 2010

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## What's H.O.T. in LOTE: Higher Order Thinking Skills

### Workshop Descriptions (arranged chronologically)



**Tuesday August 3**

#### **“Speaking in Tongues” Documentary**

8/3/2010 13:30-15:15

Diana Zuckerman, Rondout Valley CSD

Participants will view and discuss the award-winning documentary, “Speaking in Tongues.” The film shows the journey of four students in Chinese or Spanish elementary immersion programs in San Francisco Public Schools. ACTFL Executive Director, Brett Lovejoy, states that the film “provide[s] valuable insight into the issues and challenges that schools across America are facing.”

([www.speakingintonguesfilm.info](http://www.speakingintonguesfilm.info)) The film will be followed by a discussion on early foreign language learning.

#### **FL Learning and Higher Order Thinking**

8/3/2010 15:15-17:00

Terry Caccavale, Holliston PS

TBD

#### **Interactive Stepping Stones to Language Acquisition**

8/3/2010 19:00-21:00

Sue Barnes, Sodus High School, retired

Do your students need some help along their path to language acquisition? This workshop will offer a variety of fun and interactive ways to help them develop vocabulary and sentence patterns in the target language. These activities engage students in their learning, which in turn makes the class more interesting and productive for them. These student-centered activities require upfront teacher preparation, but allow the teacher to act as facilitator during the class period.

**Creating H.O.T. “FLESSons”**

8/4/2010 08:30-10:15

Diana Zuckerman, Rondout Valley CSD

This workshop will include sample H.O.T. “FLESSons” using music, movement, children’s literature, props and other components. Participants will then create and share their own H.O.T. “FLESSons” in the target language to use in the FLES classroom.

**Maximizing Student Target Language Use in the Classroom**

8/4/2010 08:30-10:15 & 10:15-12:00

Mary Holmes, New Paltz CSD

In the workshop, participants will learn strategies to use to facilitate student presentations and questioning, games, small group conversations, and class debates. The use of movies in the classroom will also be explored as a means to spark class discussion.

**Assessments with a Focus on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning**

8/4/2010 08:30-10:15 & 10:15-12:00

Vickie Mike, Ed.D., Horseheads High School

This workshop will offer a variety of formative and summative assessments that engage the language learner in acquiring and utilizing the target language in context. Participants will be provided with assessment ideas such as online reading journals and digital storytelling, as well as the rubrics for rating them. The assessments presented focus on the 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills of critical thinking, communication, collaboration, creativity, and digital literacy. The purpose of this session is: 1) to offer participants examples of assessments that integrate speaking, listening, reading, writing, and cultural understanding and 2) to engage participants in a dialogue of language assessments and 21<sup>st</sup> century learning.

**Pen Pals for FLES**

8/4/2010 10:15-12:00

Jean Rincon, Hunter College Elementary School

Learn how to initiate and maintain a correspondence with a school in another country in a way that reinforces your curriculum. The presenter will introduce a model with specific learning goals, based on a year long correspondence with a school in Spain or Latin America. Participants will explore efficient and practical ways to structure lessons and activities that culminate in a cultural exchange and reinforce the curriculum goals for the entire year. Participants will receive handouts for specific activities and assessments, and will explore possible uses of digital technology to enhance the experience.

**H.O.T. Tech Projects and Tools for Teachers**

8/4/2010 13:00-15:00 & 15:00-17:00

Sue Hochmuth, Sackets Harbor Central School

Want to help your students add some sizzle to their projects? This workshop will introduce a few user friendly programs that may be utilized to enhance student work or teacher presentations. See how easy it is to use Glogster, xtra-normal, animoto and more. Time permitting, I will also share a few of my favorite teacher tools and websites.

**Tools for H.O.T. Skills & LOTE**

8/4/2010 13:00-15:00 & 15:00-17:00

Toni Johnson, Penn Yan Academy

Looking for some new ideas for your "toolbox" that get your students to think? This workshop will present some ideas to help you get your students to do just that! Participants will be given the opportunity to try out some of the strategies and "think" about which ones will work best in their individual classrooms.

**How FLES Can Teach the Target Language through other Disciplines**

8/4/2010 13:00-17:00

Victoria Gilbert, Ed.D., Saint David's School

Given that getting students to think across subjects engages metacognitive thinking skills, LOTE should serve as a vehicle for continued learning rather than be an end in and of itself. Learn how FLES units can dovetail with science, history, math or language arts studies so that students use the TL in the service of learning about other disciplines. Select one area of co-curricular interest to develop your own unit to bring back for immediate implementation. Leverage 20 years of the presenter's knowledge teaching K-8 across multiple subjects to help you plan a unit that works to link your FLES goals to other teachers' goals. Maximize your students' learning in efficient ways.

**Cha Cha Cha! Oh Là Là!**

8/4/2010 18:00-20:30

Deb Carlson, Sweet Home Middle School

Have fun, share some laughs and learn easy and enjoyable dance steps that you can share with students. With salsa, merengue and Québec folkdance on the menu, there's sure to be something for every appetite.

**FLES Activities to Increase Student Learning**

8/5/2010 08:30 - 12:00

Eliane McKee, Ph.D., New York State College at Buffalo

Have you ever stopped and observed young children learning a second language? Their enthusiasm and abilities are something to be grasped. Their flexible brains and curious minds allow them to use whole language with a phenomenal ease and understanding. Grammar concepts: Pouah! Lists of vocabulary: Pouah! This workshop will focus on having children use the second language meaningfully from day one. We will focus on building upon previously acquired knowledge with meaningful frequent recycling episodes. While activities are designed for a French class, teachers of any language will be able to use them. There will be ample hand-outs, practice, and hands-on tasks. We want to send our children home excited and have them return to our classes equally excited!

**VoiceThread – Digital Voice Recording & Story Telling**

8/5/2010 08:30-10:15 & 10:15-12:00

Lourdes Brown, Clarkstown Central School District

VoiceThread is a web-based tool that allows users to hold asynchronous conversations about topics contained in different types of media – images, documents, films, or presentations (such as PowerPoint). In this workshop, you will become acquainted with how VoiceThread works, and see some samples of VoiceThread use in the LOTE classroom.

**Reading: A H.O.T. Topic**

8/5/2010 08:30-10:15 & 10:15-12:00

Nancy Ketz, Holland Patent High School

This interactive workshop will provide teachers with a variety of strategies for developing relevant critical-thinking activities at Checkpoints B and C, using reading selections as the catalyst. Literacy skills, integration of prior knowledge and personal experience, perspective analysis, and interpretation will be included, as well as cross-curricular possibilities. Examples in French will be easily adaptable to all languages.

**Exhibits**

8/5/2010 13:00 - 14:30

Text book publishers and vendors of foreign language instructional materials will be available to discuss their wares.

**TBD**

8/5/2010 14:30-16:00

Terry Caccavale, Holliston PS

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**Social Bookmarking for LOTE Teachers**

8/5/2010 14:30-16:00 & 16:00-17:30

Bill Anderson, Massapequa PS

Did you forget the URL for the really cool Spanish website you used last year? Is your favorite French artist's website saved as a favorite on your home computer but not on your computer at school? Well, it's time to keep all of your favorites in one spot with easy access from any Internet-connected computer. And it's time to share your favorites with others and find out what websites other LOTE teachers are using. Join us at this workshop and learn one of the latest trends in Web 2.0 tools!

**Lights, FLIP Camera, ACTION!**

8/5/2010 14:30-16:00 & 16:00-17:30

Deb Carlson, Sweet Home Middle School

This easy-to-use gadget changed my teaching. In this interactive workshop, participants will learn the basics of using the FLIP camera, connecting to the computer, and making videos. Several FLIP cameras will be available for participants to use; however, feel free to bring one if available to you. In addition, participants will receive ideas for uses of FLIP video in the classroom and have time to brainstorm ideas of their own.

**Multiple Intelligences in the Language Classroom**

8/5/2010 16:00-17:30

Amanda M.G. Seewald.,  
MARACAS Spanish Programs for Young Learners, Scotch Plains, NJ

This workshop focuses on using Multiple Intelligences Theory as a vehicle for planning, teaching, and assessing in the language classroom. Beginning with an overview of Multiple Intelligences, teachers will receive materials for planning, activity development, and assessment tools. Included will be parent connections, technology, as well as cooperative planning and development of activities. Through music, children’s literature, and interactive activities, teachers will gain ideas to explore language with their students. There will be several interactive portions in which teachers will have the opportunity to apply information presented in collaboration with their colleagues. All ideas and materials developed by the participants will become resources for the entire school.

**Immersion Reception**

8/5/2010 17:30 - 18:30

Come talk “shop” with your colleagues in any and all of the languages represented at this year’s Summer Institute!

**Movie Immersion Night**

8/5/2010 19:30-21:00

Deb Carlson, Sweet Home Middle School

Pop the popcorn, settle into a cozy chair and enjoy a favorite foreign film with your new LOTE friends.

**Musical Learning – Enhancing Language Learning Through Music**

8/6/2010 08:30-11:30

Amanda M.G. Seewald.,

MARACAS Spanish Programs for Young Learners, Scotch Plains, NJ

Let's make music! This workshop will focus on the value of music as a tool for instruction and learning in the early childhood language classroom. We will explore the effect of music on learner outcomes and on brain function. Participants will be presented with the process of song development, learn songs based on themes, and will have a unique opportunity to work interactively on song development with other teachers. Each participant will come away with materials for classroom use as well as guidelines and ideas for curriculum integration.

**Closing Discussion, Evaluation, Slide Show**

8/6/2010 11:30 - 12:30