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"This is a multiple case study of three Asian female writers enrolled in an English as a Second Language (ESL) writing class at the college level. This convenience sample volunteered to share their dialogue journals written in response to the prompts designed by the primary investigator who was interning in the class. Two dialogue journal lessons designed and taught by the primary investigator were analyzed to determine their value for second language college writers.

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Findings suggested that an increase in dialogue journaling would further foster a positive learning community of writers, decrease writing apprehension in ESL writers, address issues of anomie nonnative writers experience at the college level, increase fluency, and serve as prewriting for longer essays, such as the point of view and personal essays these students will be required to write in the next course in the sequence. The three writers indicated that they appreciated the time devoted to dialogue journals in class as well as the intern's written responses to their journals"--Document.

Overcoming Language Barriers

The concept of "funds of knowledge" is based on a simple premise: people are competent and have knowledge, and their life experiences have given them that knowledge. The claim in this book is that first-hand research experiences with families allow one to document this competence and knowledge, and that such engagement provides many possibilities for positive pedagogical actions. Drawing from both Vygotskian and neo-sociocultural perspectives in designing a methodology that views the everyday practices of language and action as constructing knowledge, the funds of knowledge approach facilitates a systematic and powerful way to represent communities in terms of the resources they possess and how to harness them for classroom teaching. This book accomplishes three objectives: It gives readers the basic methodology and techniques followed in the contributors' funds of knowledge research; it extends the boundaries of what these researchers have done; and it explores the applications to classroom practice that can result from teachers knowing the communities in which they work. In a time when national educational discourses focus on system reform and wholesale replicability across school sites, this book offers a counter-perspective stating that instruction must be linked to students' lives, and that details of effective pedagogy should be linked to local histories and community contexts. This approach should not be confused with parent participation programs, although that is often a fortuitous consequence of the work described. It is also not an attempt to teach parents "how to do school" although that could certainly be an outcome if the parents so desired. Instead, the funds of knowledge approach attempts to accomplish something that may be even more challenging: to alter the perceptions of working-class or poor communities by viewing their households primarily in terms of their strengths and resources, their defining pedagogical characteristics. Funds of Knowledge: Theorizing Practices in Households, Communities, and Classrooms is a critically important volume for all teachers and teachers-to-be, and for researchers and graduate students of language, culture, and education.

The Effect of Dialogue Journals on ESL Students' Writing Anxiety and Their Writing Fluency and Complexity

This volume focuses on the use of dialogue journals in classrooms with students from diverse language and cultural backgrounds whose proficiency with spoken and written English is limited. The companion volume to Dialogue Journal Communication (Ablex, 1988), it carefully describes, from a teacher's experience, how dialogue journal writing can be effectively implemented in the multilingual classroom, with practical tips for starting and maintaining the practice, exploiting the benefits, and avoiding the pitfalls. It presents a model of researchers working in close collaboration with teachers and shows the development in the journals of individual students, with extended examples of student and teacher writing so that teachers can see research results that are not hopelessly extracted from the context in which they were produced. At the same time, it has a strong research orientation.

Content-Based College ESL Instruction

Journal writing is not new--journals have been around for centuries. More recently, journals have been viewed as a means of scaffolding reflective teaching and encouraging reflectivity in research processes. As a result, some educators may ask, "What more do we need to know?" Those likely to raise this question are probably not thinking of the explosive growth of reflective writing enabled by social networking on the Web, the blogs and other interactive e-vehicles for

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reflection on experiences in our literate, "real," and virtual lives This revisiting of journal writing from a 21st century perspective, informed by relevant earlier literature, is what Christine Pearson Casanave guides readers through in this first book-length treatment of the use of journal writing in the contexts of language learning, pre and in-service teaching, and research. Casanave has put together existing ideas that haven't been put together before and has done it not as an edited collection, but as a single-authored book. She has done it in a way that will be especially accessible to teachers in language teacher education programs and to practicing teachers and researchers of writing in both second and foreign language settings, and in a way that will inspire all of us to think about, not just do, journal writing. Those who have never attempted to use journals in their classes and own lives, as well as others who have used it with mixed results, will probably be tempted to try it in at least some of the venues Casanave provides guidance for. Those already committed to journal writing will very likely find in this book new reasons for expanding and enhancing their use of journals.

[The Book Whisperer](#)

Donalyn Miller says she has yet to meet a child she couldn't turn into a reader. No matter how far behind Miller's students might be when they reach her 6th grade classroom, they end up reading an average of 40 to 50 books a year. Miller's unconventional approach dispenses with drills and worksheets that make reading a chore. Instead, she helps students navigate the world of literature and gives them time to read books they pick out themselves. Her love of books and teaching is both infectious and inspiring. The book includes a dynamite list of recommended "kid lit" that helps parents and teachers find the books that students really like to read.

[A Study of Solicit and Give Moves in the Management of Dialogue Journal Conversation by Adult ESL Students](#)

[Dialogue Journals and the ESL Composition Classroom](#)

In this accessible introduction to Vygotskian sociocultural theory, narratives illuminate key concepts of the theory. These key concepts, addressed across seven chapters, include mediation; Zone of Proximal Development; collaborative dialogue; private speech; everyday and scientific concepts; the interrelatedness of cognition and emotion, activity theory and assessment. An eighth chapter provides readers with an opportunity to consider two additional narratives and apply the SCT concepts that they have become familiar with. These narratives come from individuals in a variety of languages, contexts, ages and proficiencies. We hear from learners, teachers and researchers. Intended for graduate and undergraduate audiences, this textbook includes controversies in the field, questions for collaborative discussion and provides references to important work in the literature of second language teaching, learning and research. This book presents a unique introduction to Sociocultural Theory. Through the telling of fascinating stories the authors familiarize the reader with the concepts that are central to the theory and in particular to how the theory relates to the teaching and learning of languages beyond the first. It is an exceptional piece of scholarship that I think Vygotsky would have wholeheartedly endorsed." James P. Lantolf, the Pennsylvania State University, USA "This book is a most welcome addition to the growing literature on sociocultural theory. It is refreshing to come across such a reader-friendly book dealing with complex constructs. The book provides an overview of key concepts in sociocultural theory, and then, using a set of narratives, illustrates how these concepts can be used to explain phenomena in second language learning and teaching. As such, the authors have succeeded in producing an accessible and highly engaging introduction to sociocultural theory." Neomy Storch, The University of Melbourne, Australia "Sociocultural Theory in Second Language Education is a highly recommended and worthwhile book for all those who seek to understand how sociocultural theory is entailed in teaching practice. Using narratives of teaching recounted in the voices of language learners and teachers, Swain and her co-authors bring the major concepts of Vygotsky to life in clear and

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accessible ways. Contributing to the conceptual analysis of each story is information on allied concepts, key studies, controversies and discussion topics. This book is certain to be a mainstay in language teacher education programs and in courses on sociocultural theory and second language acquisition." Richard Donato, University of Pittsburgh, USA The authors, each from a different background, share a passion for sociocultural theory. Each author brings stories, data and experiences from her area of expertise: second language pedagogy and teacher development (Linda); elementary classroom teaching with second language and bilingual students (Penny) and teaching and research in bilingual education and second language learning (Merrill). Penny lectures at the University of Toronto. Linda is an associate professor at York University in Toronto. Merrill is a professor emeritus at OISE University of Toronto.

[Dialogue Journals in the College ESL Writing Class](#)

This bibliography is a compilation of 15 short bibliographies published in an issue of the Journal of Second Language Writing from January 1993 to September 1997. The work focuses on theoretically grounded research reports and essays addressing issues in second and foreign language writing and writing instruction, containing 676 entries, each including a 50+ word summary intended to be non-evaluative in nature. The editors hope that this work will be a useful tool for developing theory, research, and instruction in second language writing.

[Funds of Knowledge](#)

Reading, Writing, and Learning in ESL, 2/e is a comprehensive, reader-friendly resource book that provides a wealth of teaching ideas for promoting the language and literacy development of K-12 learners of English as a second language. It clearly connects language acquisition theory to instruction and provides concrete organization, teaching, and assessment strategies appropriate for students of all K-12 grade levels and cultural backgrounds.

[Writing Our Lives](#)

This book is carefully designed to inform and train readers in the techniques of content-based ESL instruction and to assist them in developing and implementing content-based materials and programs appropriate to their educational institutions and situations. Every chapter presents a balance of theory and practice, focusing on a detailed description, with clear examples of classroom practices including information, suggestions, and instructional tools. Each chapter addresses assessment issues as they apply to the particular methodology described.

[Dialogue Journals in the Multilingual Classroom](#)

[Integrating Language and Content Instruction](#)

[Learning ESL Through Dialogue Journal Writing](#)

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[Journal Writing in Second Language Education](#)

[Semantic Methods for Knowledge Management and Communication](#)

[Dialogue Journal Writing Via E-mail and Its Effects on ESL Students' Writing Skills](#)

Black English dialect has long been rooted in the socio-historical experience of many African Americans. When discussing the most appropriate means of promoting the success of those who speak Black English, educators essentially focus on African American learners because the dialect is most commonly associated with this ethnic group. While some may emphasize the importance of recognizing and respecting dialect differences, others place emphasis on the stigma often associated with Black English usage in mainstream society. Regardless of how one characterizes Black English, it is a dialect on which many African American students rely during their daily interactions with mainstream speakers in society. Overcoming Language Barriers lays the foundation for readers who are genuinely concerned about understanding fundamental Black English concepts and promoting the success of those who speak the dialect. In this practical resource book, Dr. Jones "thinks outside the box" by including pertinent topics such as brain-based learning in addition to focusing on dialect differences. She shares insightful data from her English language arts research study as well as practical strategies to be utilized in mainstream classrooms. The study highlights examples of Black English features and feedback from English language arts teachers across the United States regarding their perceptions of Black English usage in their classrooms. This publication is ideal for both beginning and veteran educators and researchers seeking to effect meaningful change for linguistically different students.

[Resources in Education](#)

[The Best-Kept Teaching Secret](#)

[Dialogue Journal Writing : a Tool for Critical Reflection in the Adult ESL Learner](#)

This study investigated research methodologies which were proven to be successful in promoting English fluency among ESL students in the college level classroom. The history of second language learning was tied to popular teaching practices, such as journal writing, dialogue journals, peer feedback, and teacher feedback. Due to a lack of cohesion between the above methods and a rising gap in related literature, an experiment was formed to determine whether dialogue journals could be combined with peer feedback to facilitate an accelerated comprehension of English as an L2 language. Over a three-month period, 19 ESL students at Gavilan College were instructed to write about their weekly course experiences by answering one or more prompt questions in a notebook. The class was observed for both positive and negative reactions to peer encounters, consistent English language use in verbal and written form, and number of errors made in grammar and spelling. Pre and post scores were also compared to represent whether English comprehension improved after the intervention of the peer feedback method. By the end of the study, field notes from the observations and an analysis of dialogue journal entries proved that

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students became more confident with English language use, and overall English fluency increased. On average, 14 out of 19 participants (74%) improved their grammar, and 16 out of 19 participants (84%) improved their spelling. Therefore, it can be concluded that dialogue journals and peer feedback help achieve English fluency among college level ESL students when combined simultaneously.

[Dialogue Journal Writing and Adult ESL Students, a Tool for Learning Language and Culture](#)

[Performance and Portfolio Assessment for Language Minority Students](#)

These materials address the use of dialogue journal writing in teaching speakers of English as a Second Language. Included is a handbook for teachers that provides background information and specific suggestions for classroom use, and an instructional packet for teachers and workshop leaders. The handbook contains chapters on: what constitutes a dialogue journal, including variations in format; the benefits of dialogue journal writing; using dialogue journals with students at various levels (beginning, intermediate, and advanced writers); specific procedures for starting journals; strategies for maintaining the student-teacher dialogue; and strategies for handling specific communication problems. An additional chapter profiles four individual student writers. Lists of resources and additional readings are appended. The instructional packet is intended for use in workshops on dialogue journal writing, and contains: an abstract for use in proposing such a workshop; simple guidelines for leading the workshop, including group activities; masters for over 30 overhead transparencies; sample student journal entries from elementary and secondary students, to which workshop participants can respond; handouts for workshop participants; and background information for the presenter. (MSE)

[Exploring Dialogue Journals with Adult ESL Learners](#)

[An Annotated Bibliography of Scholarship in Second Language Writing, 1993-1997](#)

"This thesis examines the connections between English as a Second Language college writers' fluency and frequency of writing. The sixteen writers were enrolled in Writing for International Students (English 112) at Eastern Washington University, a regional four-year state university co-located in Cheney and Spokane, Washington during spring quarter of 2005. The primary investigator collected two dialogue journals from them in Week 10 of a 10-week quarter during the regular classroom writing activities created and taught by the instructor, who is also the TESL Graduate Program Director. Significant increases were noted from Week 1 word counts to Week 10 word counts in all 16 writers. The content of the journals was analyzed and reported. There was higher fluency in the Week 10 journals about the national anthems of the students than in the Week 10 journals about friendship. The Japanese writers made up half of the sample; therefore, their journals about their national anthem, "Kimigayo," are discussed as a group. Complete journal entries are appended. Recommendations for using dialogue journaling to increase writing fluency are made."--Document.

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[Sociocultural Theory in Second Language Education](#)

[ESL \(ELL\) Literacy Instruction](#)

[Fifty Strategies for Teaching English Language Learners](#)

[Dialogue Journals of Students in Two Bilingual Special Education Classrooms](#)

Your fast-track to student engagement Everywhere Smokey Daniels speaks, there ' s one teaching strategy that teachers embrace above all others. That single method for transforming students from passive spectators into active learners . . . for evoking curiosity, inspiring critical thinking, and building powerful writers along the way. Now, that best-kept teaching secret is revealed: Written Conversations. Smokey and coauthor Elaine Daniels describe how to leverage these " silent writing-to-learn discussions " structure by structure Mini-memos Dialogue journals Write-arounds Digital discussions . . . with detailed descriptions, lessons, and annotated student samples—making this the most practical teaching book in recent memory.

[Reading, Writing, and Learning in ESL](#)

The book consists of 31 chapters in which the authors deal with multiple aspects of modeling, utilization and implementation of semantic methods for knowledge management and communication in the context of human centered computing. It is assumed that the modern human centered computing requires the intensive application of these methods as well as effective integration with multiple techniques of computational collective intelligence. The book is organized in four parts devoted to the presentation of utilization of knowledge processing in agent and multiagent systems, application of computational collective intelligence to knowledge management, models for collectives of intelligent agents, and models and environments tailored directly to human-centered computing. All chapters in the book discuss theoretical and practical issues related to various models and aspects of computational techniques for semantic methods, which are currently studied and developed in many academic and industry centers over the world. The editors hope that the book can be useful for graduate and PhD students of computer science, as well as for mature academics, researchers and practitioners interested in developing of modern methods for representation, processing and distribution of knowledge in the context of human centered computing and by means of computer based information systems. It is the hope of the editors that readers of this volume can find in all chosen chapters many inspiring ideas and influential practical examples, as well as use them in their current and future work.

[Connecting with Elementary School ESL Students Through Dialogue Journals](#)

Presents teaching strategies and procedures to help English language students build vocabulary and fluency.

[Dialogue Journals in the University-level ESL Composition Classroom](#)

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This monograph focuses on the use of dialogue journal writing for developing the literacy skills of adult English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) students. A rationale is presented for making open and continuing dialogue a central part of any work with adults, and various approaches are suggested for promoting this dialogue with students, tutors, and teachers in many different types of programs. Practical how-to suggestions for starting and maintaining written dialogue with adult ESL students are made, and a comprehensive resource list for further reading about dialogue journal practice and research is included. (VWL)

[Promoting English Fluency Through Peer Feedback and Dialogue Journals in an ESL College Classroom](#)

[Increasing ESL Writing Fluency Through Dialogue Journals](#)

[International Journal of Language Studies \(IJLS\) – volume 9\(1\)](#)

ESL (ELL) Literacy Instruction provides both ESL and mainstream teachers with the background and expertise necessary to plan and implement reading programs that match the particular needs and abilities of their students. Comprehensive and research-based, it applies current ESL and reading research and theory to practice. Designed for use by pre-service and in-service teachers at all levels from kindergarten to adult learners, it explains different models of literacy instruction from systematic phonics to whole language instruction and includes specific teaching methods within each model. Multicultural issues are addressed. Instructional matrices that account for the wide variations in ESL (ELL) student backgrounds and abilities form the pedagogical basis of the approach described in the text. The matrices, based on extensive research, involve two easily measured variables that predict what programs and approaches will be comprehensible for learners who vary in age, literacy background, English ability, and program needs. Readers are encouraged to develop their own teaching strategies within their own instructional models.

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