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# **Emerging Bilingual Students**

Technology in Early Childhood (TEC) Center
Erikson Institute

## **TEC Center resources and opportunities**

TEC Center www.teccenter.erikson.edu

Twitter: www.twitter.com/TEC Center

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Youtube: www.www.youtube.com/user/eriksonteccenter

Professional Development: www.teccenter.erikson.edu/services/

Educator Tips and Lesson plans: <a href="www.teccenter.erikson.edu/category/in-practice/">www.teccenter.erikson.edu/category/in-practice/</a>
Research: Contact us at ALauricella@erikson.edu with subject line "Research Interest"

Erikson Institute www.erikson.edu

Summer Institutes: www.erikson.edu/continuing-education/learning-institutes/

**MSECE Degree with STEM Concentration:** 

www.erikson.edu/graduate-education/masters-degrees/online-master-science-early-childhood-education/concentration\_early-childhood-stem/

**MSECE Degree with Bilingual/ESL Education Concentration:** 

https://www.erikson.edu/graduate-education/masters-degrees/online-master-science-early-childhood-education/concentration-bilingual-esl/

### **Foundations**

#### Questions to consider during distance learning (Language Support in 4 Domains):

- How can I meet all four domains in a functional, meaning based way?
- How might I incorporate home language as a support?
- How can I offer students opportunities to develop oral language, giving plenty of practice and feedback?

## Questions to consider during distance learning (Relationships):

- How can I support parents to feel comfortable with distance learning? What communication methods will be most effective in my context?
- How might my own background influence my expectations/understandings at this time?
- How can I lower the affective filter of students and parents, within the realm of things I CAN control?
- How can I continue to develop relationships, even in a distance context?

## Questions to consider during distance learning (Comprehensible Input):

- How can I create meaningful, comprehensible instruction in a distance learning scenario?
- How can I integrate content and language online?
- How can I utilize those language strategies that I was using in my brick/mortar school in this new, online environment?

## **Distance Learning Anchor 1: Interaction**

Platforms: SeeSaw, Flip Grid

Teacher/Parent interaction: Class Dojo, Casa Notes, phone

Synchronous meetings: Zoom, Google, etc.

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### Synchronous meeting ideas:

- TPR/Vocabulary development
- Spinner
- Talent show
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  I Spy (can adapt
  based on content
  goals)

  Close-up game
  Close-up game
  Who am I?

  What's Missing?
  Home scavenger
  Hunt I Spy (can adapt
- Shared Storytelling
   Puppet Show
- Script Reading
- Good News Cast
- Bingo

- Share a Family Artefact
- Hangman
- Dictado/Dictation Dictado/DictationLEA: Shared writing

  - Fair sticks

## Increased participation:

- Ongoing projects
- Modeling: Connect through original, not canned content
- Allowing for participation in videos: Screencastify, Loom

# Distance Learning Anchor 2: Integrated, Comprehensible Instruction

### **Integrated Instruction:**

- Standards based, contextualized learning
- Moving in-class strategies online
  - o TPR, Reading Comprehension, Sorts
- Concrete experiences
  - Skype for educators, virtual field trips
  - Everyday, family experiences
- Contextualized reading/writing
  - o Reading: Epic, Tumblebooks, Time for Kids, Microsoft Immersive Reader
  - Writing: Comics, newspapers, graphic organizers

# **Distance Learning Anchor 3: Relationships**

#### Relationships:

- Availability/Approach
  - o Creativity is key, every context is unique
  - Lowering the affective filter through team approach
- Transparency
  - Rationale for instructional choices
- Resources
  - Home Language
  - User Friendly
  - o Flexibility /Choice

### More information about tools and additional resources

### **Bilingual Books and Activities (online)**

#### Books:

EPIC for Educators (Free)

Skype for Educators (Free): Can Sign up for virtual field trips, special guest visits, etc.

International Children's Digital Library (Available in 5 languages)

http://en.childrenslibrary.org/

**Tumblebooks** 

The Fable Cottage: Spanish learners can listen to a native speaker telling classic fairy tales

https://www.thefablecottage.com/spanish

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Book Creator (Free App) Students can create their own books using drawings and photos,

writing/dictation tools

Readworks.org: Free Website for teachers. You can assign paired texts, articles, and reading passages from K and up. Students can listen to the text read aloud. Has resources geared by age, topic, and for ELLs. English only.

Time for Kids: Non fiction texts (Spanish and English) available by grade level, free for the rest of the year

http://time.com/tfk-free/

#### Online Activities:

Musica libre:

http://www.musicalibre.com.co

DuoLingo for Kids (ios devices only, currently)

**PBS Kids Spanish** 

https://pbskids.org/games/spanish/

#### **Teacher Tools:**

Loom: Screen, Video, and Mixed Recording and Editing Program (Pro is free for teachers)

Screencastify: Recording Program

Flipgrid: Video message program for students and teachers

Super Spinner (editable, can be used for synchronous meetings)

http://www.superteachertools.us/spinner/

Casa Notes: Tool to help non-Spanish speakers send notes home

http://casanotes.4teachers.org/

Graphic Organizers (Spanish and English)

http://www.eduplace.com/graphicorganizer/

Coggle: Digital Mind Maps/ Flow Charts

Additional Graphic Organizers/Activities

https://ditchthattextbook.com/elearning-activities/

Comic book templates:

https://www.printablepaper.net/category/comics

Newspaper templates:

https://www.educatorstechnology.com/2013/03/wonderful-free-templates-to-create.html

https://www.twinkl.com/resource/newspaper-template-for-kids-t-t-426

Color Me Safe: Writing and Conversation Family Activity

https://www.adl.org/education/resources/tools-and-strategies/draw-me-safe-coloring-and-conversation-about-a-pandemic

### **Platforms:**

Free (or Free for Now)

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<u>Class Dojo</u>: Communication tool and also platform for distance learning with Translation abilities. (Free)

SeeSaw: Portfolio tool and platform for distance learning (Pro is currently Free for teachers for 90 days)

Kahn Academy: Spanish/English Math lessons/materials (Free for students/teachers)

Brain Pop Jr., Brain Pop ESL, Brain Pop Español

Paid:

RAZ Kids: Books in many languages, with assessment options

Education.com (Interactive games and lessons, can be made into assignments, all English)

### Additional Websites (resources/reference)

WIDA Covid Webpage (Parent informational fliers, activities, teacher supports)

https://wida.wisc.edu/about/news/covid-19-updates

Teaching Multilingual Learners Online (WIDA Newsletter)

https://wida.wisc.edu/memberships/isc/newsletter/teaching-multilingual-learners-online

Colorin Colorado (Excellent site for teacher and parent references)

Center for Applied Linguistics: Online Learning Resources (Webinars, articles, resources for remote learning)

http://www.cal.org/resource-center/freeresources

List of Additional Websites with Spanish Resources:

https://www.colorincolorado.org/resource-topic/bilingual-resources-spanish?page=3

Parent Letters (video/article) Home-school connection strategy

http://www/colorincolorado.org/video/strategy-parent-letters