

Expanding Adult ESL Learning via Mobile Devices



Hello!

I've been volunteering with Adult ESL teachers and students to implement mobile ESL learning for several years.

And I've been fortunate to work with HGSE students in this work. I hope that you'll join me this fall!

Sincerely, Heidi Larson
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The Challenges



- Not enough classroom spaces for all!

- Adult students with limited contact hours
 - Class: 2 – 6 hours/week, with some homework
 - No class during the summer
- Expanding learning beyond class, beyond homework
- Guiding students to drive their own instruction

What is ESL Mobile?

- ▶ Helps teachers and students extend learning both within and outside of the classroom
- ▶ Develops, compiles, and tests mobile-friendly resources to complement existing curricula
- ▶ Extends the conversation beyond the project



Proposed Semester Goals

- ▶ Finish the new project website:
<http://eslmobile.org>
- ▶ Pilot test materials with teachers and students to measure the impact of the exercises for learning
- ▶ Compile materials for upper level ESL students
- ▶ Develop teacher guides
- ▶ Blog, present, broaden the conversation




Prior Work



Draft website: <http://eslmobile.org>



Tailored vocabulary sets



hgset561 TEACHER


Terms Entered
70 terms


CreatedStudied

You have created 5 sets

Filter these sets

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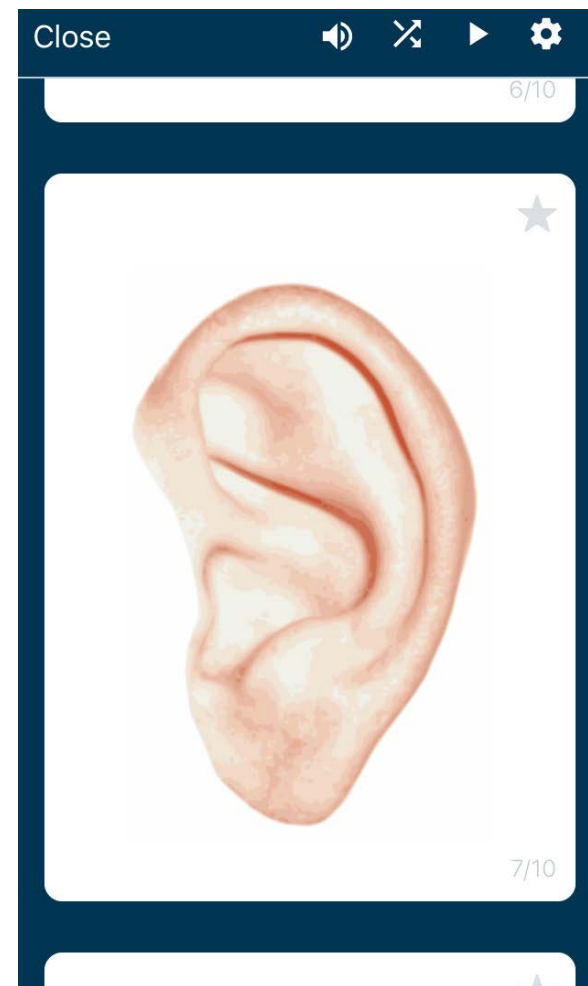
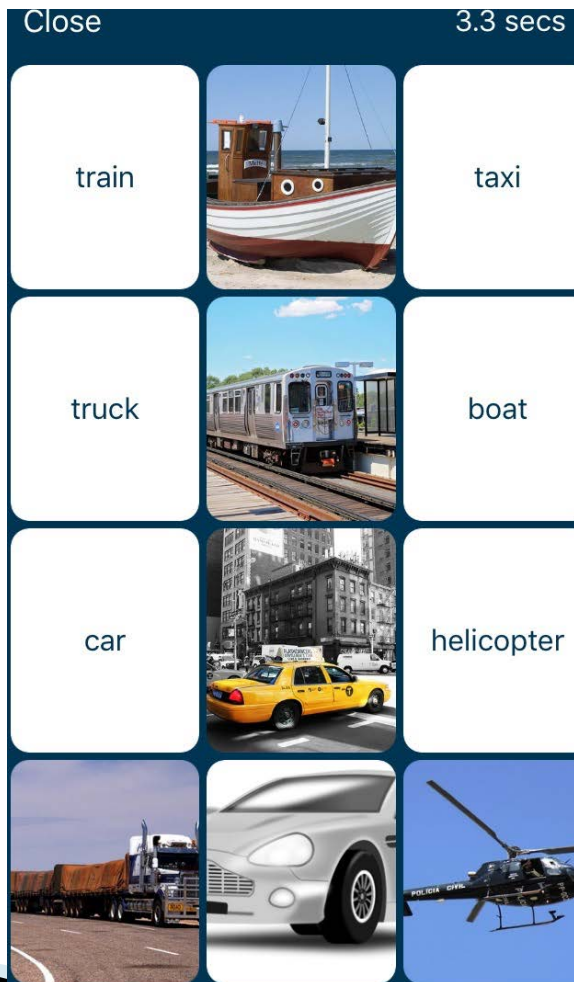
Tailored vocabulary sets

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Answers on your account **hgset561** are not counted towards Class Progress.

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Tailored vocabulary sets



Compiled pronunciation guides

WATCHING / READING



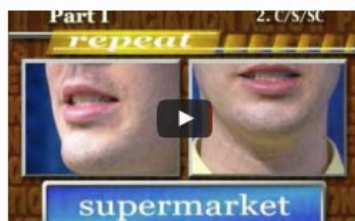
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Watch lessons 41 & 42 on ProPower App (iPhone).

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The origin of TH in English: <http://bit.ly/1PmAJKd>



Pronouncing TH: <http://bit.ly/1Q5uDW>

Compiled resources such as Games to Learn English



Evaluation Materials (Not enough)

Colors Pre-Test

Directions: Please circle the color that is read for each number.

1) Blue



2) Green



3) Red



Blog

THE POWER OF MOBILE DEVICES

Using Mobile Devices to Transform English Language Acquisition for Adults

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There's an App for That

🕒 May 3, 2015

There's an App for That- 3 Free Apps for Adult ESL Learners

Adults are constantly on the go. They need flexible learning opportunities so they can practice learning English wherever and whenever. Check out these Apps we recommend for learning English (or many other languages) on the go.

#1- *Speak English* (Android App)

Speak English is an excellent app that offers a variety of learning opportunities for adults learning English. Below are some of the benefits of using *Speak English*.

- It has various levels—beginner and advanced.
- Offers users a chance to learn language skills for job interviews and a work environment.
- Focuses on vocabulary for adult learners (job skills, traveling, interviewing, customer service, etc.)
- Allows users the opportunity to listen, speak, and compare their responses to

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- ▶ Website designer
- ▶ Curricula designer
- ▶ Graphic designer
- ▶ Researcher
- ▶ Proposal writer
- ▶ Blogger
- ▶ Project manager

CAR HELPFUL (but not necessary)



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