

# ESL Tongue Twister LESSON

English Language Pronunciation Development for ELs

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ELLs, WEEK #5

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## PART 1: INFORMATION & INSTRUCTION

With your assistance, the following tongue-twister exercises are provided to help your English Learner (EL) continue their development of English proficiency in the area of production and pronunciation. At times, such exercises are necessary to promote proper movement of the tongue, lips, and teeth, in association with air movement through the nose and mouth. In some circles, this is considered articulated speech.

## PART 2: CONTENT

*MATERIALS NEEDED: NONE. THIS SHEET IS NEEDED FOR GUIDANCE, WHICH INCLUDES INDIVIDUALLY WRITTEN TONGUE TWISTERS. TECHNICAL LEVEL: NO TECH.*

## **TEACHING ROUTINE**

THE PRESENTATION OF THIS LESSON IS SIMPLE: PROVIDE THE LAST PAGE TO YOUR ELL TO FOLLOW ALONG AS YOU READ THE TONGUE TWISTERS. ASK HIM/HER TO REPEAT AFTER YOU WITHOUT PAUSING OR HESITATING. DO THIS SEVERAL TIMES FOR EACH TONGUE-TWISTER. EVALUATE, AND DETERMINE WHETHER THERE SHOULD BE ADDITIONAL PRACTICE FOR EACH. A RECORDING OF PROPER PRONUNCIATION MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED WITH THIS LESSON. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU REACH OUT TO A PROFICIENT ENGLISH SPEAKER OR YOUR CHILD'S REGULAR CLASSROOM TEACHER FOR ASSISTANCE IF YOU ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY IN COMPLETING THIS LESSON. ALSO, IF NECESSARY ALLOW YOUR ELL TO PARTAKE IN THE SUGGESTED OPTION BELOW.

## PART 3: EXTENSION OF ACTIVITIES & OPTIONS

OPTION: Have your ELL(s) create their own tongue-twisters by starting with an adjective, then a noun, verb, and adverb, and finally finish with a preposition and similar terms in the same sequence/order. A majority of the words must have the same beginning letter/sound. As an example for the "B" sound:

ADJ + NOUN + VERB + ADV + **PREPOSITION** + ADJ + NOUN + VERB + ADV

*Black Balls Bounce Best **beside** Brown Bears Babbling Badly*

*Feathery Falcons Flee Frequently **near** Frightening Fires Flaring Ferociously*

*Bad Boys Bake Badly **with** Bitter Blueberries Burned Bizzarly*

## Tongue Twisters

- 1. Betsy Botter Bought a Bit of Bitter Butter Before her Birthday**
- 2. Thirty Thousand Thoughtless Boys Thought They made a Thundering Noise on Thursday**
- 3. She Sells Seashells by the Seashore on Sundays**
- 4. Peter Pipper Picked a Peck of Pickled Peppers Properly with Perfection**