

CAREER VOCABULARY

This month's Teacher's Corner explores the world of work and careers. Each week covers career-related vocabulary that students can use to find a career, interview for a job, or start a business.

For many English learners, the challenge of developing fluency with the use of Business English can be daunting. As we can see in idioms such as "time is money," "the early bird gets the worm," and "ASAP" ("as soon as possible"), the culture of American business is fast-paced and competitive. As a result, success is often determined by how confident a person is and his or her ability to share personal strengths with current or potential colleagues. This month's Teacher's Corner is devoted to giving students the vocabulary they need to find success in this business culture.

The first two weeks focus on building vocabulary by giving students a chance to practice career-related words and phrases. The last two weeks of the month give students a chance to explore their work-related interests through starting a business and finding the perfect job:

Week 1 - Business Terms

Week 2 - Interview Vocabulary

Week 3 - Business Pitch

Week 4 - Job Quiz

Week 1 begins the month with a focus on vocabulary used in the workplace. In Week 2, students learn strong adjectives they can use in a job interview. In Week 3, students have the opportunity to be creative and start their own businesses in which their classmates can invest. During the final week, students take a career quiz to discover the best job and career paths for them.