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NEW ESL/EFL TITLES



A new collection of webquest activities from the following Compelling Conversations titles:
Compelling Conversations – Vietnam ★ Compelling Conversations – Japan ★ Compelling American Conversations

PLUS over 40 new Search and Shares

Eric H. Roth and Teresa X. Nguyen
EDITED BY Andrea Schmidt

"By making the experience relevant to what students want to learn, these activities will ensure that students enjoy learning English and will be excited about their studies.... It's time for innovation in this industry, and Creating Compelling Conversations: Reproducible Search and Share Exercises for English Teachers is spot on."

David Stevens

Director, The Language School
www.thelanguageschool.us

"The questions asked are both information-based and open-ended, providing ample opportunity for challenging and meaningful conversation practice. Any EFL instructor.... is sure to find Roth's latest work an invaluable resource."

Carl W. Hart

EFL Instructor and author of
Secrets of Teaching ESL Grammar

AVAILABLE JULY 1ST

Creating Compelling Conversations: Reproducible Search and Share Activities for English Teachers

Authors: Eric H. Roth, Teresa X. Nguyen

Length: 117 pages | **List Price:** \$24.50 | **ISBN-13:** 978-1-7326070-0-2

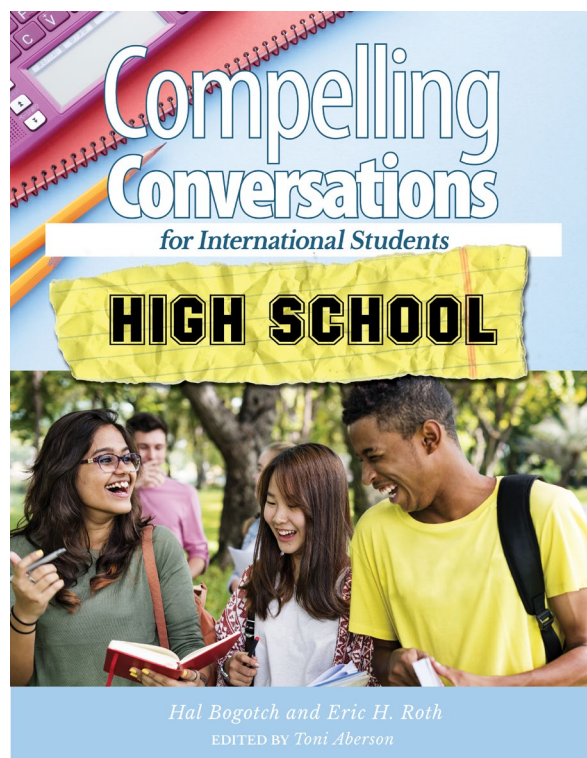
Boasting a wide array of topical assignments, *Creating Compelling Conversations* features 75 standalone worksheets and communicative activities. Organized into eight thematic sections, all activities are reproducible and address a broad range of topics in both daily and academic life. Each Search and Share asks students to individually research a given topic and reflect on their chosen content with peers. Students then take turns presenting their findings, encouraging their classmates to ask questions and discuss the materials.

While designed primarily for intermediate and advanced English language learners, this flexible activity book remains adaptable to a variety of English classes. Through Search and Share assignments, students are encouraged to discuss their personal interests with classmates in a safe, focused manner. As a result, each English class leads to different discussions and stays current, allowing learners to take ownership of their expanding language skills in an appealing communicative style.

FEATURES

- Encourages students to take a more active role in their class discussions
- Diverse, flexible content remains adaptable to a variety of lesson plans
- Deepens critical thinking skills
- Expands working vocabulary
- Helps students develop research skills
- Provides self-contained and reproducible supplemental material
- Introduces contemporary issues
- Asks reflective questions that sparks memorable discussions
- Makes each class different

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"I have been using the Compelling Conversation Series for the last ten years in my college classes.... Most other ESL books are not geared towards relevant conversations that encourage students to talk. Our students love the series to the point that the conversations spill over into their breaks and lunchtime."

Mark Treston

Director, Global Innovation Schools
and Global Innovation School Online
www.globalinnovationus.com

AVAILABLE AUGUST 1ST

Compelling Conversations: New Speaking Exercises for International High School Learners

Authors: Hal Bogotch, Eric H. Roth

Length: TBD | **List Price:** TBD | **ISBN-13:** TBD

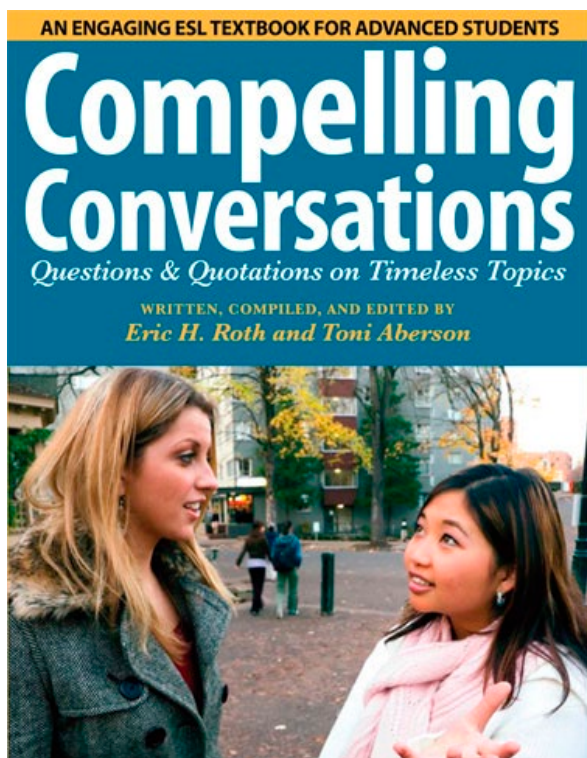
Based on our original and highly successful English as a Second Language (ESL) textbook, *Compelling Conversations: New Speaking Exercises for International High School Learners* helps young international students navigate high school and create compelling conversations in English.

This inclusive text covers a range of essential English speaking skills and culturally relevant topics at the high school level. Boasting an assortment of communicative activities, each thematic chapter includes targeted conversation questions, proverb paraphrasing exercises, quotation discussion prompts and vocabulary-building expansion activities. Throughout the self-contained lessons, English language learners discuss their daily lives, explore other cultures, and deepen critical thinking skills. In this way, New Speaking Exercises makes creating authentic conversations – and preparing for college English courses – both accessible and engaging for young-adult learners abroad.

FEATURES

- Designed for intermediate and advanced international high school students
- Reflective conversation questions provide insightful discussion
- Topics reflect common issues and interests among adolescent learners
- Reviews common English prefixes and suffixes to build academic vocabulary
- Boosts fluency and conversational confidence
- Works with IEP and international high schools

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Compelling Conversations: Questions and Quotations on Timeless Topics

Authors: Eric H. Roth, Toni Aberson

Length: 166 pages | **List Price:** \$24.50 | **ISBN-13:** 978-1419658280

Compelling Conversations has been used in classrooms in over 50 countries, recommended by *English Teaching Professional* magazine, and enjoyed by thousands of English students. This innovative English as a second language textbook helps advanced learners develop conversation skills and improve fluency by sharing experiences, reflecting on their lives, and discussing proverbs and quotations.

This groundbreaking ESL text includes 45 thematic chapters, over 1400 questions, 500 vocabulary words, 250 proverbs and American idioms, and 500 quotations. Designed for both adult education and intensive English language students, the variety of conversation prompts provided deepen critical thinking and speaking skills essential to success in community college and university programs. Whether *Compelling Conversations* is used as a primary textbook or a supplement to add speaking activities to ESL/EFL classes, you can count on creating authentic conversations and guided discussion practice where meaning matters most.

"Compelling Conversations is a recommended resource for teachers who want to make their conversation classes more learner-centered. It reflects both authors' considerable professional experience, and would be a notable addition to any English teacher's bookshelf."

Hall Houston

English Teaching Professional magazine

"This outstanding resource allows teachers to confidently walk into an advanced ESL classroom with self-contained, engaging conversation lessons...I wish I had this book in my old adult/university classes. A great book for adult education teachers, university instructors, and private tutors!"

Eric Busch

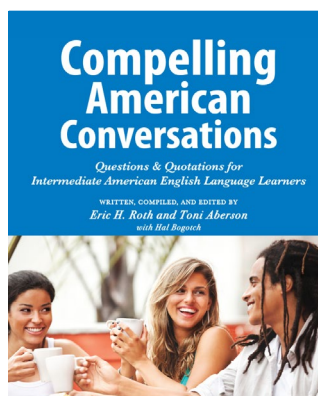
Founder of ESLHQ.com

FEATURES

- Appeals to college students, working adults, and sophisticated souls
- Works as "grab and go" conversation lessons for busy English teachers and online private tutors
- Builds competency and confidence in conversation skills
- Encourages critical thinking and self-awareness
- Helps prepare for speaking portions of TOEFL and IELTS exams
- Respects the experiences and perspectives of students

Sample chapters available at:
[http://compellingconversations.com/
sample-chapters](http://compellingconversations.com/sample-chapters)

CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH



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Compelling American Conversations: Questions and Quotations for Intermediate American English Language Learners

Authors: Eric H. Roth & Toni Aberson with Hal Bogotch

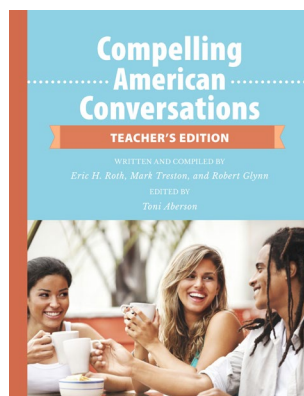
Compelling American Conversations: Questions and Quotations for Intermediate American English Language Learners helps American immigrants and international students develop their fluency skills and academic vocabulary through a new set of engaging conversation exercises.

Each of the 15 thematic chapters includes two sets of conversation questions, vocabulary review, short writing exercises, paraphrasing exercises with proverbs, a quotation discussion activity, and an online “Search and Share” activity. Focusing on both daily experiences and American culture, the materials help intermediate English language learners explore their lives, learn common American expressions, and develop vital discussion skills.

FEATURES

- Designed for community college and adult ESL students
- Creates more confident American English speakers
- Emphasizes both practical and academic vocabulary
- Improves speaking skills via conversation and class discussion
- Helps prepare for TOEFL and IELTS exams

Sample chapters available at:
[http://compellingconversations.com/
sample-chapters](http://compellingconversations.com/sample-chapters)



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Compelling American Conversations – Teacher Edition

Authors: Eric H. Roth, Mark Treston, Robert Glynn

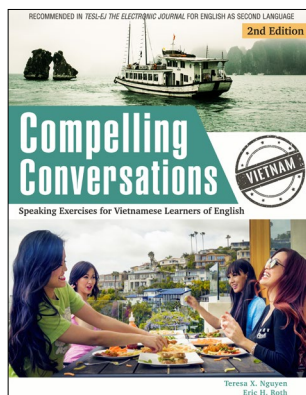
Compelling American Conversations – Teacher Edition assists educators of English as a Second Language (ESL) working with intermediate students at the American high school and adult education levels. While explicitly designed to augment *Compelling American Conversations*, some English teachers and tutors have chosen to use independently as a resource book. Lesson objectives are based on the Common European Framework Reference (CEFR), because we want our students to meet and exceed global standards.

Designed for community college instructors, adult education ESL teachers, and English tutors, this flexible ESL Teacher’s Guide provides hours of additional teaching material. Each chapter consists of a list of learning objectives, extended vocabulary lessons, minimal pairs, and advice on paraphrasing proverbs and other extension activities. Additional features include teaching tips on presenting conversation topics, handling “good mistakes”, and pronunciation to spark more lively English classroom discussions.

FEATURES

- Expands on conversation activities from student book
- Builds word knowledge and strengthens pronunciation skills with supplemental exercises
- Includes advice for handling difficult student questions
- Helps students add their voices to class discussions
- Makes teaching *Compelling American Conversations* easy and fun

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B & W Version:

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List Price: \$2.99
ISBN: B0774VW6GK

Compelling Conversations – Vietnam: Speaking Exercises for Vietnamese Learners of English (2nd Edition)

Authors: Teresa X. Nguyen, Eric H. Roth

Based on our original and highly successful English as a Second Language (ESL) textbook, *Compelling Conversations*, this unique ELT textbook was created specifically for Vietnamese learners of English in the United States.

Each thematic chapter includes interview questions, pronunciation exercises, and proverb paraphrasing exercises, providing hours of English conversation and discussion material. It also expands work knowledge and academic vocabulary with communicative activities on common prefixes and suffixes. This comprehensive conversation book also includes cultural tips for international students and immigrants. As a result, students gain greater fluency, build critical thinking skills, and create more authentic conversations.

FEATURES

- Created for community college and adult students
- Over 100 fluency-focused activities about daily life
- Includes focused pronunciation activities that target common “good mistakes” made by Vietnamese learners of English
- Includes short readings on American culture
- Helps prepare for standardized tests like TOEFL, IELTS

Sample chapters available at:
[http://compellingconversations.com/
sample-chapters](http://compellingconversations.com/sample-chapters)

Compelling Conversations – Vietnam: Supplementary Bilingual English- Vietnamese Conversation Questions for Vietnamese Learners of English

Authors: Teresa X. Nguyen, Eric H. Roth

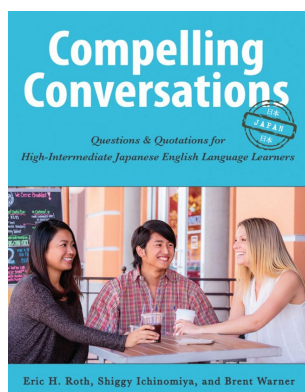
A bilingual companion to last year’s second edition of *Compelling Conversations – Vietnam*, this complementary coursebook provides new context and easier access to conversational English for Vietnamese learners.

Intended for American immigrants and intermediate Vietnamese ESL students, these 420 conversation questions help learners share personal experiences and express opinions – in English. All are questions open-ended to encourage reflection and in-class discussion. Travelers, entrepreneurs, and professionals alike can strengthen fluency and create closer relationships in both languages. Simply asking “how do you say” goes a long way!

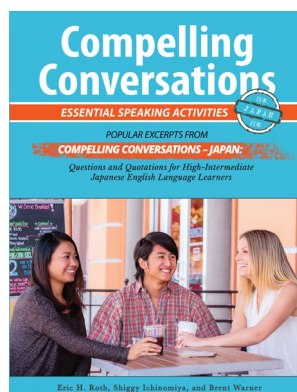
FEATURES

- Provides both English and Vietnamese translations for all conversation questions
- Questions range from simple to more reflective on 14 topics
- Suitable for both ESL and EFL classrooms
- Also beneficial for travelers, entrepreneurs, and professionals
- Helps improve fluency in both English and Vietnamese

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Length: 114 pages
List Price: \$2.99
ISBN: B07915F8P1

Compelling Conversations – Japan: Questions and Quotations for High-Intermediate Japanese English Language Learners

Authors: Eric H. Roth, Shiggy Ichinomiya, Brent Warner

Based on our original and highly successful English as a Second Language (ESL) textbook, *Compelling Conversations*, this title is geared specifically toward Japanese English language learners with culturally relevant touchstones and exercises.

Compelling Conversations – Japan helps students about their lives and personal experiences with short, friendly questions on popular topics. Readers become speakers as they practice conversations, write questions, and work on common pronunciation challenges. Designed for Japanese students in academic high school and university programs, *Compelling Conversations – Japan* provides intellectually challenging material in accessible English readings that spark reflection and discussion.

FEATURES

- Meets the needs of university and adult students
- Focuses on fluency through meaningful communication
- Tackles pronunciation issues specific to Japanese English language learners
- Sparks conversation, discussion, and reflection
- Provides advice on navigating American culture

Sample chapters available at:
[http://compellingconversations.com/
sample-chapters](http://compellingconversations.com/sample-chapters)

Compelling Conversations – Japan: Essential Speaking Activities for Japanese English Language Learners

Authors: Eric H. Roth, Shiggy Ichinomiya, Brent Warner

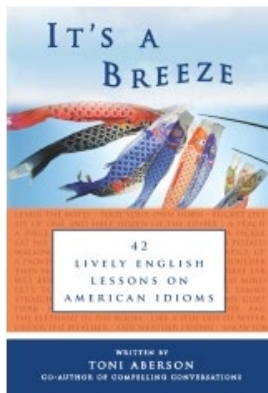
Redesigned with learners in mind, *Essential Speaking Activities* features excerpts from our full-length EFL textbook for Japanese English Language Learners. This simplified approach streamlines communicative activities from prior *Compelling Conversations* books, making it ideal for grab-and-go English lessons and private tutoring.

Organized within 12 thematic chapters, this abridged text highlights six fundamental classroom exercises per chapter to promote authentic conversation. As a result, Japanese ELLs learn to describe their lives, share experiences, and develop critical thinking skills in context.

FEATURES

- Works as “grab and go” conversation lessons for busy English teachers and online private tutors
- Tackles pronunciation issues specific to Japanese English language learners
- Deepens critical thinking skills
- Uses international proverbs to improve paraphrasing skills
- Encourages active participation

CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH



Length: 200 pages
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It's A Breeze: 42 Lively English Lessons on American Idioms

Authors: Toni Abersson

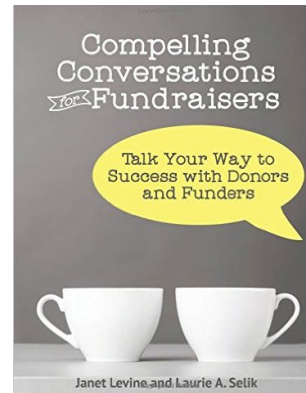
Written for high school ESL students and adult English language learners in the United States, *It's A Breeze* improves their vocabulary and cultural literacy.

This collection of 42 short English lessons focuses on specific American idioms and common phrases. Each chapter explores a single genre-specific American idiom in connection with the overall unit theme. The comfortable pace, unit quizzes (with answer keys) and index of American idioms and expressions make this unique text comfortable for both classroom use and self-study.

Provided with clear definitions, sample sentences, short readings, comprehension checks, and more, students will find speaking English less difficult and more fun – even “a breeze.”

FEATURES

- Supplements high beginning and intermediate ESL classes
- Helps learners develop conversation skills
- Provides a definition and short reading for each idiom
- Checks comprehension with conversation questions
- Includes short unit quizzes and writing activities



Length: 134 pages
List Price: \$24.96
ISBN-13: 978-0-9904988-0-3

Compelling Conversations for Fundraisers: Talk Your Way to Success with Donors and Funders

Authors: Janet Levine, Laurie A. Selik

Compelling Conversations for Fundraisers: Talk Your Way to Success with Donors and Funders zooms in on the all-important one-to-one conversations with your prospects and donors to help you make the connections that result in new and increasing contributions for your organization.

Whether you are new to fundraising or a seasoned pro, in a one-person development office or a large university advancement department, *Compelling Conversations for Fundraisers* provides conversation guidance and helpful tips for the many types of donor interactions you will face. Written by two fundraising professionals with track records of success in development offices large and small, *Compelling Conversations for Fundraisers* reviews the essentials for meeting prospects and talking your way to success with current supporters and future donors.

FEATURES

- Reviews the entire fundraising process from multiple, varied perspectives
- Provides model dialogues to demonstrate conversation tactics Highlights common “good mistakes” made by fundraisers
- Shares insights from successful fundraising campaigns
- Offers insights for development officers in both the arts and education

ABOUT US



About Chimayo Press

Chimayo Press is a Los Angeles-based publisher of niche books that create compelling conversations, deepen relationships, and celebrate the human spirit, continues to expand with this latest release. The original *Compelling Conversations* ESL book has found audiences across the world in over 50 countries and established a reputation with English teachers, online tutors, and conversational clubs alike.

As a small publisher, we are grateful for each purchase of our books. We have a growing list of both nonfiction and fiction titles – our authors include working English teachers, radio professionals, and screenwriters. Each distinctive book reflects the passion and perspectives of the authors.

Chimayo Press is named for our amazingly communicative, talented and loving first border collie. We met him soon after a visit to the inspirational New Mexico town. That's Chimayo's image in our logo.



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