



# ESRA Teacher Chat

Enhancing English Oral Proficiency

**ESRA Teacher Chat** is part of ESRA's English Tutoring Program (ETP). It offers non-native speaking English teachers, who would like to enhance their English oral proficiency, the opportunity to practice English –ONLINE!

Teachers register for a series of weekly Zoom chats, each lasting 30-40 minutes with a trained volunteer. Times to be chosen by the teacher and volunteer.

Using the BBC 6-minute English website, the volunteer can choose from hundreds of subjects in advance of the chat. The volunteer will then send the teacher a link to the chosen subject, which consists of a 6-minute audio clip, a transcript, and a vocabulary list, enabling the teacher to study it in time for the next meeting. The subject serves as a springboard for the next conversation. The Haredi community have their own program.

**ESRA Teacher Chat** tutors are native speakers of English worldwide. They are not teachers. They receive guidance in basic conversation strategies and ongoing enrichment and support.

If you would like to know more about the program, please contact us at [teacher-chat@esra.org.il](mailto:teacher-chat@esra.org.il). For registration, [click here](#).

In 2022, 349 volunteers worked with 542 non-native-speaking English teachers in Israel. Feedback reported over 82% increased confidence and marked improvement in oral English.

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Founded in 1979 as a non-profit volunteer-based organization, ESRA is Israel's largest English-speaking community network, aiding the successful integration of immigrants while working toward bridging equity gaps in Israeli society through its Education and Welfare projects.



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