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| **Transcribed Input from ABE, ASE/GED and Vocational Learners.** |
| Organizations: Knight Memorial Library, EBCAP (Even Start Newport), ILSR, Genesis Center  Participants:  ESOL 13, 5, 25, 60 learners respectively = 103 ESOL learners |
| **1a: Prior knowledge and experience about adult education**   * Students have studied English at Dorcas International Institute of RI, at CCRI, at work, in high school, and at the library   **1b: I come to this program because**   * (Each student was asked to write up to 3 sticky notes.) An overwhelming number of students said they come to class to learn to speak better. The next most common reasons were that they felt they needed to learn English or they enjoyed learning the language. A few people need better English for their jobs or because they want to understand English better in general. Other reasons included to learn to write better, for a better future, to go to college, to become a U.S. Citizen, and to be able to understand a child’s pediatrician. * To learn English (5 responses) * To get a job (3 responses) * To get a better job * To make new friends * To learn English to speak in the community (5 responses) * To learn English to speak with school teachers * To keep busy doing something good * To learn to read * To learn to write * To learn to read better (2 responses) * To learn to write better (2 responses) * They want to go to college * To get a GED * To speak the language better (2 responses) * To make new friends * To learn English (5 responses) * To speak better English in the community (3 responses) * To speak English at the doctor * To fill out forms in English * To utilize time * Not to be alone * To see many beautiful women * To learn to write English (2 responses) * To learn to read more English (2 responses) * To learn how to use the computer better * To get me a better job * I want a job to translate English to Spanish * To speak more English * To learn to read * To read to my daughter * To have a good life * To get a different job * To make my life easier here * To read English to travel to my country * To practice English every day and get homework * It is close to my home * Speaking English is important for me in my life * I learn many things every day in my class * The class is fun and teacher is excellent * I come to school because I want to improve my English. I want to learn to read and right English to get a better job. * I come to school because I want learn English. I want prepare for my future go for the university. I want a better life and job. * I come to school because I live in a country that English is the first language and I need to talk with people. * Because I want to study English. * To get certifications because I love to learn to see what it can offer me in employment * I come to school because when I make appointments with the doctor I would like to have better communication. Also I would like to help my son with his homework. * I come to school because I want to continue my career here in the USA. I want to be successful in my life. I want to learn English need to speak, write, read and hear well in English. * I come to school because like learn and study here I want to speak English and classes Genesis Center study my boss speak about, he speak me, this is a good school and you can learn. * I want to come to school because I need to learn more English to help my daughter with my homework. To live better in this country. To understand when people talk to me. * I come to school because I want to learn to read and write in English. I want to learn the right way. * Because I come to school Genesis Center to learn how to speak English. * Because I need to learn how to speak English. * I come to school because I want to improve my English. * I come to school because need to learn English well and fluently. * I want a better future. * I come to school because I need English is it necessary to look for job. * Because I want a better future. * I come to school because I want a better job. I to be able to communicate with other people in English. * I want to learn English for a better life. * I come to school because I learned English language and improved my abilities. I United States is very important to speaks English. * I come to school because I need to learn more English for the new job * I came to school because learned English. I came to school because [???] * I come to school because I want to learn English to get communicate with American people without need interpreter. I’m doing all my thing for my self. * Because I want to study English * I come to school because I want to speak English, I want a good job, I want to be citizen. * Because I need to learn English * I come to school because to sharpen and to make more opportunity for me, in the job field. Thank you for helping me! * I come to school because I want to speak my English * I want to come school because English is important for me for to talk with my daughter and son. * I come to school because if I learn English in the future I can have very life for me and my family that may I can work in a job I really like. * Because I want to learn English * I come to school because I want to become a US citizen. I want to speak English ith my friends and get more opportunities. * Because I want to learn English very well for the future so I can have a better job * I want learn how to cook so I can get a job. Also I get food stamps and they offered free schooling. * I come to school because I want to speak English. Genesis Center gives me more opportunity. * I come to school because it helps me to speak better in English so I can apply for job. * Because I want to learn English. * I want to work in my community to make life better for all of us. * Because I want to learn English * I come to school so I can have a career I enjoy, to provide my kids and myself a better life. * I come to school because I want to improve my son life. Before I can’t say nothing now I’m feel better. * I come to school because I want to learn to read and write English. I want to because it’s very important. * To learn English * Get a better paying job * I come to school because I need speak English I want more opportunities with my job. * I come to school because [Spanish, translated] I want to learn more cooking techniques and learn more recipes. * I come to school because I want speak English very well and learn [???] in the United States and I want a better future for me and a good job. * I come to school because I want to improve my English. I want to speak English. I want to go to college and study psychology. I want go to meeting the school. * To have a better future for my daughter. * To become a more productive member of society. * I come to school because I need to learn English to improve my life and improve communication with the people. I want to be a citizen in the future. * I come to school because I want to improve my culinary. * I come to school because I need learn good English for my live in this country. * I come to school because I want to improve my English. I want to speak English well. I want to read the newspaper. I want to have a job interview in English. * I need to speak English. * To further education and job training * I come to school because I want to be a citizen and I want to speak English. I come to school because I want to go further with my education. * I come to school because it’s necessary to learn English to talk, communicate with other people in restaurants, jobs, supermarket, etc. Also, Genesis center has classes Monday to Friday and Bonnie is the best teacher that I have had while I have studied English. * I come to school because I need learn English. I come to school because I wan tto learn how to speak English. * I want to learn good English to have a good job. I come to school to be more bright. * I want to learn English. * Because I like it. * I come to school because I need to learn Egnlish every day I like the English language and I like to talk in English every day. I want to learn for a good job.   **I choose Genesis Center because…**   * Because of the patient people and I have many friendships at the Genesis Center. * I choose Genesis Center because my boyfriend studied before. I has good teachers and it’s cheap. * Genesis does an amazing job. Good people, good community. * Because the classes are important. I like the teachers. * Because the cost is cheap and it is important. * I like the hours. * Quick program, good certifications, good hours, good teacher. * I like the staff. * Because I learn very well write read and I understand well when the teachers explain [???] * Because it’s a good place to study English and there are very good and friendly teachers. * Because my friend said me good things about the school. * I like the ethnic mix. * The way the teacher explains to me, she gives us good explanation to help us. I like things because this is [???] what is going to happen in real life. * Because it’s cheaper, and because it’s […] class. Also Genesis Center classes exist to [???] * My friend told me that GC is a good school. * Because is one of the best English School of Rhode Island * Is very cheap the class and study 5 days a week study the most I learn * The time is good for me and it is near to my house. * Because this school is where you will be given better opportunities in the students. * Because is important learn English * Because the semester are cheaper than others. I chose Genesis Center because others are more expensive. * I like this school. * Because is one of the best schools of Rhode island. * Because I like to study English my teacher is good in the class. The teacher very well The name of my teacher is Malaika. * Because I heard very good review about them. It has good teachers and it is cheap. * [???] good teachers * Because I know that learn second language no too expensive. I knew Genesis was good to learn English. * Because it next to my house it has a good teacher. * I heard a lot of good things about GC * Because is a good adult school. * I come to school because I want to improve my English. I choose Genesis Center because my friend recommended this school wonderful school to study. * I have too many reasons: I feel comfortable at the Genesis Center. The teachers good a lot of attention to students. My teachers is a very good person. I am happy [???] * Because help if you need teacher to learn. I like the [???] it is cheaper. * I choose because it has good programs. * It is close to my house. It is the best. It is cheaper. All the teachers are nice. * I learn here because is close to my house if I pay [???] dollar that cheap I like the teacher excited to teach the student. * I choose Genesis Center because [Spanish] my friend told me about the classes and I was [???] * Is important member of the health care because this program for assist patients and I know to act in different cases. * Because it has a convenient schedule, and [???] this school * It is cheaper. It is close to my house. It is good references. * because it is a good school and it’s teachers are good friend. * Because I think is good place to start learn English at the same time is not too expensive. * I heard a lot of good things about GC * Because I need to learn more English and speak my language. I choose Genesis they are very nice and helpful, they are like my family. * It has class [???] and also it has good teachers. * I like the teachers. I think they are great. * Because it has good teachers and good programs * Because it is a good school. * Because my friend told me that genesis center is really good and is close to my house. * I choose Genesis Center because is the best. * I like this program because every Saturday I learn many vocabulary and the teachers have vocation for teaching. * Is nice place. * The teacher explain very well. * I like because is weekend * I like the classes English * I like the teacher they are so patient with us * I like Gienia teacher she can help all student and different learn * Close to my house and comfortable. * The teacher is very nice to give the class. * I like study method. * I like my teacher is very nice and your class is very dynamic. * The teacher gave us materials that we can practice grammar, teaching, explaining * I like the teacher * I like this place * I like the teacher because she’s so funny * I like classroom is very good come to class is easy transportation * I like because is to accessible to me that don’t have a car. * I like the day this class is on * I like the class because the teacher is very nice I like the people. * The patient that Gienia has with we * That has a flexible hours * I like the teacher she is very good * That the class is on Saturday * Comfortable * We are learning to much * I like the teacher. She is nice, kind. * I want to learn English and reading and writing * Because I want to learn more English * The teacher is nice * I need better work. Teach to person the English * I come for this class because I want to understand everyone in everywhere that I go. * Because is near my house * I come to this program because it’s accessible and a comfortable place. * Learn English and study * I come for this class because I want to enjoy the [???] * I need a better job. * To hear and practice conversation * Because I hope I think I can learn English very well can with people speak and information. * I come to this class because I would like to learn English very well. * I come to this class because I have to learn English and this class near to my house * I come to this program because is not to expensive * To learn and practice English * I come to this program because is accessible and not expensive and come with my son and this program permit me are connecting with others program coordination * Because I want to help my children and speak to the people. * I come to this program because is on Saturday * I come to this program because I want to learn English and improve it * For this program is very interesting for practice pronunciation and better conversation * I come to this program because the teacher have good level and organize * I come to this program because I want to learn English * I come to this program because I want to learn and practice grammar, speaking, reading * I come to this program because the teacher wants to help you and she is kind. * I am in this program for learn my English get better opportunity. * I would like to learn English because when I going to talk with some people understand me. * I would like to learn to speak English when I’m going to the hospital I don’t need an interpreter. * I come to class because I want to learn more English and have some conversation and speak make for talk to my boss my children to my friend have better job. * I don’t like because few hours * Maybe extend for more hours on Saturday because is only 1 day no work * I don’t like when are no understand * I don’t like I think the conversation class should be more difficult * I don’t like the Dome Room it is too small for our class. * Maybe more days * Room, temperature in the room. * I don’t like this room because is not comfortable. |
| **2, Option A: Adult Ed in RI** |
| **2, Option B: Purposes of Adult Ed. Notes from “Where do you Go?” and “What do you Do?”** |
| **3. “One thing I want to tell people who organize adult ed.”**   * Many students didn’t like that our class only meets once per week and that it lasts for a short period of time. Others said they don’t like speaking English, that it is very difficult, and they don’t like that they cannot speak well. * They reported that they liked the class because it helps them learn to speak and understand English, and it gives them a place to practice. Others stated that they liked the teachers (e.g., their patience and teaching methods). * I like that the classroom is comfortable * I like the good teacher * I like the human relationship of the personal class * I like learning to perfect my pronunciation in English * I like learning to perfect my reading in English * I like learning to perfect my vocabulary in English * I like learning to perfect my grammar in English * I like my English class because we learn more English, writing and reading * I like using the computers * I like class at 8:30 (2 responses) * I like the vocabulary I’m learning in class. When I go to the doctor, I don’t need an interpreter * I like the good teacher and students * I love all things for this school * I like my class * I like every day learning different English. I like all * I like to play games (3 responses) * I like to have celebrations (4 responses) * The time is short, 8:30-10:30, maybe 8:30-12:00 * I don’t like to end class * I don’t like the class we have every Friday, parenting class. Maybe we can change this class for another English class. * I don’t like just a couple hours of class. Give about 3 hours more. * I don’t like the computer time because I don’t understand computers * I don’t have objection about the education given to me at the Florence Gray center. All is very good. * I want to tell people more we educate is the more we can help our families to have a good future. |