

Explanation of the Template:

Each book is divided into eight sessions. Each session contains the activities and homework that are the content for the session. Each learning activity (LA), Video Segment (AVG) and Homework (HW) represents an individual chapter in the book. The chapter label represents the content of the chapter. Each chapter begins with a LA or HW Template. The header contains the objective, the pedagogical intent, and student position that capture the essence and animate the intended learning and outcomes for the activity represented. In addition, the LA and AVG include the time allowance and the points represented by them. The HW includes the number of points. LA/AVG and are each worth 25 points and the HW are each worth 50 points. (The total point sheet document identifies the points possible accross the course and is found just before Session 1 in every course). Following the template are the instructions for each LA, AVG, or HW. There are links in the homework that will take you to worksheets, readings, or videos or other items the learner will need to complete the task describe in the instruction. The AVG's represent video segments, or sometimes powerpoints. These usually are accompanied by Activie Viewing Guides (AVGs) or worksheets to support learners in extracting meaning from the digital materials. These are provided to model the ways in which in your teaching as teachers you need to consider your use of digital materials as texts and enable students learning from these texts.

Each element in the template is important for making explicit participants learning. The **learning outcome** is anchored to the state standards for an ESL Endorsement and is based on the national standards for teaching ELs. The pedgogical intent informs the participant and the facilitator of the learning aim and goal of the specifica activity. Attention to the **pedogical intent** enabled us as designers and enables facilitators to target the activity and make sure that the activity, the interactions asked for, and the materials provided will work in concert to enable participants to not only learn but also take up in their practice the ideas embedded in the activity. When designers and teachers think through the instruction they are providing for students in this way it allows them to be strategic in creating powerful learning experiences. In designing LA and HW using pedagogical intent to guide their design and construction enabled the authors to make certain that the LA and HW would position students for the learning experiences in a session.

In addition to providing the learning outcome and the statement of pedagogical intent, the template includes a **student position** statement. While the pedagogical intent focuses on desired learning from the activity, this statement articulates the history of learning events that have prepared the student to engage in this learning experience. It provides an explanation of the knowledge and experiences that have prepared students to engage in this next learning experience.





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