



I Can Read It, But I Don't Understand It! Building Reading Comprehension



Reading comprehension is a process that's much more than simply "I get it" or "I don't get it." By paying attention to our own thoughts, emotions and questions as we read a text, we clarify our own understanding, while at the same time increasing our enjoyment of reading. In this workshop, we will learn about **metacognition** and how it helps us be stronger readers.

Join us as we try out activities and tools to use with adult learners that encourage reflection, deeper understanding of texts, and "getting unstuck" when reading. Help students become more confident, independent, critical readers, no matter what reading level they are. You will learn how to:

- Identify and use comprehension strategies with your student when reading
- Use coaching methods to help students gain confidence and overcome reading difficulties
- Branch out from dry multiple-choice skill books... and make any book, article or poem an opportunity for building comprehension skills!

This training is suitable for volunteer tutors or staff who work with ESL, ABE, or GED learners.

Presenter Bria Dolnick is the lead ESL Instructor at Chinese Mutual Aid Association. She has over eight years of experience working with developing readers and writers in community colleges, libraries, and nonprofit settings. She holds a master's degree from the University of Arizona's Language, Reading, and Culture program, where she specialized in adolescent and adult literacy.

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6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

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