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*Spring 2012 Professional
Development Workshop*

A Dramatic Approach to Literature in ESL

Dr. Susan Stern

***Saturday, March 3, 2012
California State University, Fullerton***

Literature offers unique potentials for ESL. The reading of short stories, plays, novels and poems can help students further develop and refine their reading, writing, listening and speaking skills, increase their vocabulary, and acquire grammatical structures. All the elements of literature—plot, character, setting, and theme—provide the subject matter, context, and inspiration for a wide variety of written and oral activities so that a single literary work becomes the central focus of a unit of study integrating all the language skills. One of the best ways to take full advantage of all the potentials literature has to offer is to incorporate dramatic activities into class study of a literary work.

This workshop will demonstrate and give hands-on experience in using dramatic activities to complement and enhance the study of short stories, plays, and novels in ESL classes, both to integrate literature study with language learning, and to help students understand, appreciate, and enjoy a work of literature. A variety of dramatic activities will first be introduced and explained: dramatization of scripted materials, role-play interviews, improvisation, and drama-inspired writing. Accompanying video clips of ESL students engaged in each of these activities will be shown to illustrate them. Participants will then experience these activities firsthand. As “students” they will practice a short scene from a play and enjoy the role-playing and improvisations to follow. As teachers, they will get practice in developing some of these dramatic activities on their own. It will be a dramatic experience for all! By the end of the workshop, instructors should feel sufficiently prepared to adapt this dramatic approach to any selection of fiction or drama for their ESL classes, from the simplest of scripts or stories for lower-level students to full length novels or plays.

Dr. Susan Stern is a Professor of ESL at Irvine Valley College, where she has enjoyed teaching all levels of ESL for over 20 years. Prior to that, she was a Lecturer in ESL at the University of California, Irvine. Dr. Stern holds a Ph.D. in Applied Linguistics from the University of California, Los Angeles, where she also taught a variety of ESL classes. She received her M.A. in TESL, her Secondary Teaching Credential (English/French), and her B.A. in English from UCLA.

Dr. Stern's primary research interests are the teaching of literature in ESL, with an emphasis on drama, and the use of role-play and drama in second language acquisition. These areas were the focus of both her master's thesis and her doctoral dissertation. The approach she developed to the teaching of literature in ESL has a strong dramatic base and focuses on integrating the teaching of literature with the teaching of language and culture. She has been using this approach to literature in her own teaching ever since, and has made numerous presentations on literature and drama at TESOL, CATESOL, and other conferences for local and international groups of teachers. She has also authored a number of articles and book chapters in these areas, co-authored an ESL writing text, and dedicated her sabbatical projects to developing a series of literature modules for plays, poems, and novels that put into practice this integrated approach to literature.

***Register now for CATESOL-OC
Spring 2012 Workshop!***

Workshop Agenda

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Coffee, Registration, and Publishers
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Welcome and <i>Stern, Part I</i>
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.	Publishers' Fair
11:15 – 12:30 p.m.	<i>Stern, Part II</i>
12:30 – 1:20 p.m.	Lunch, Publishers, and Poster Presentations
1:20 – 3:00 p.m.	<i>Stern, Part III</i> , and Closing

Location

Titan Student Union, Pavilion A, B, C
California State University, Fullerton
800 N. State College Blvd., Fullerton, CA 92831
www.fullerton.edu/campusmap/CampusMap.htm

Directions

Exit Nutwood from Fwy 57 and go west
Turn right on State College Blvd.
Turn right again on Dorothy Lane/W. Campus Drive
Park free in Lot B Parking Structure
Proceed to conference at TSU



Additional Information: For more information about the conference or to receive a registration confirmation, contact **Catherine Whitsett** at mizzwhit@juno.com.

CATESOL-OC SPRING 2012 WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

[Registration is now also available online at
<http://catesol.org/merchant/OC-2012-Spring.htm>]

Name: _____

Phone (_____) _____

Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Affiliation: _____

Level: Elementary Secondary Community College
 Adult IEP University

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REGISTRATION FEES AND LUNCH

Pre-registration must be received by **February 17, 2012**. On-site registration will require a \$5 surcharge to the fees below. These fees do not include lunch and are non-refundable.

- CATESOL Member-----\$35
 Non-Member-----\$45
 CATESOL Member Student (Include proof of current student status)-----\$15
 Non-Member Student (Include proof of current student status)-----\$25

CSU Fullerton Students: Contact TESOL Club President for registration

Catered box **lunch** is available for additional \$10 with pre-registration only. Lunch will be provided by *Thai Basil*. All three lunch options include white and brown rice, an egg roll, a cookie, and a drink. Price includes applicable CA sales tax. Please select one lunch option below:

Chicken Yellow Curry Beef with Broccoli Pad Thai Veggie

*Other eateries are also available near the campus.

Join CATESOL and take advantage of the reduced rate. Download the membership application from www.catesol.org, and mail it with your workshop registration. Send the membership fee together with the workshop registration fee payable to **CATESOL ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER**. Membership will be available on-site. Statewide membership includes membership in the OC Chapter.

Mail the registration form and the check payable to CATESOL ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER to:

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