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# ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN OF ENGLISH CONVERSATION CIRCLE (ECC) IN TORONTO

A Resource List for Service Providers, Newcomers, and Community Members to  
Support English Language Learning

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## Important Message

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all North East Toronto Partnership Council members and other key partners whose contributions have been instrumental in the preparation and completion of this list. Your time, expertise, and unwavering support are deeply valued. This work stands as a testament to the collaborative effort and dedication of all involved.

This resource provides a curated list of informal language learning programs—such as English Conversation Circle—offered by settlement agencies, Toronto Public Library branches, and faith-based organizations in Toronto or beyond. It is designed as a practical tool for service providers, newcomers, and community members to help support and strengthen English language skills in accessible and welcoming environments.

The list will be updated on an annual basis and shared with community stakeholders and community members. Any inquiries, please reach out to project lead, Isabella Yan, North East Toronto Local Immigration Partnership (NETLIP) Settlement & Language Coordinator at [isabella@torontonorthlip.ca](mailto:isabella@torontonorthlip.ca).

## Who Can Benefit from This Resource List?

This resource list is developed for **Service Providers**, including but not limited to settlement agencies, Toronto Public Library branches and faith-based organizations to

- Refer clients who are interested in practicing and improving their English on a flexible schedule that fits their lifestyle
- Support newcomers who may be on waitlists for formal language classes such as LINC/ESL classes by offering immediate alternatives
- Supplement formal LINC/ESL programs with fun, informal resources that make language learning more engaging
- Provide accessible, low-barrier learning tools that clients can use independently from home or on the go
- Strengthen the organization's ability to deliver wraparound services by integrating informal language supports into broader settlement programming

This resource list is developed for **Newcomers** or **Community Members** who

- Are currently on a waitlist for formal language class such as LINC or ESL
- Have completed LLINC/ESL programs but want to continue improving their English
- Prefer flexible learning options that fit their schedule and daily responsibilities
- Want to build confidence for work, school, and daily interactions
- Seek opportunities to expand their social network while learning

## English Conversation Circle (ECC) - Settlement Agencies

Agency Name	Program Name	Eligibility	Time	Platform/ Location	Area	Contact information
<a href="#">ACCES Employment</a>	Talk English Café	Open to all	Time and dates Vary – Check Website	Virtual	GTA	<a href="https://acesemployment.ca/events">https://acesemployment.ca/events</a> 416-921-1800 <a href="mailto:info@acesemployment.ca">info@acesemployment.ca</a>
<a href="#">Achêv</a>	English Conversation Circle Newcomer Women (in person)	Permanent Resident or Convention Refugees with a valid PR card, Confirmation of PR or Notice of Decision	Thursdays 10am-11am (Bi-weekly)	690 Dorval Dr., Suite 100, Oakville, ON L6K3X9	Oakville	289-544-8579 <a href="mailto:ayakovenko@achev.ca">ayakovenko@achev.ca</a>
<a href="#">ACSA Community Services</a>	English Conversation Circle (in person)	Open to all Women	Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays 9am-12pm	Dorset Park Hub 1911 Kennedy Road Unit 105 3 level, Scarborough, ON M1P 2L9	Scarborough	Suganthine 647-628-7406
	English Conversation Circle (in-person)	Open to all Women	Wednesdays and Fridays 9.30am - 12.30pm	ACSA Bay Mills Hub at 365 Bay mills Blvd, Scarborough, ON M1T 2G5		Suganthine 647-628-7406
	English Conversation Circle (Virtual)	Open to all Women	Wednesdays and Fridays 9.30am-12.30pm	Virtual		Suganthine 647-628-7406

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<a href="#">Catholic Crosscultural Services</a>	English Conversation Circle for Newcomers (in person)	PR, Conventional refugees, Live-in Caregivers	Tuesdays 4 – 5:30pm Wednesdays 2 – 3:30pm	The Settlement Resources Networking Hub, 3495, Lawrence Ave E, Scarborough, ON M1H 1B3	Scarborough	Chandni Pathak 416-757-7106 <a href="mailto:cpathak@ccscan.ca">cpathak@ccscan.ca</a>
	English Conversation Circle for Newcomers (in person)	Permanent Resident, Convention Refugee or Live-in Caregiver	Mondays and Fridays 10am-12pm	SIP 3227 Eglinton Ave. E., Unit 135 Toronto ON M1J 3M5	Toronto	Maripi Malana 416-266-7200 Ext. 4204 <a href="mailto:mmalana@ccscan.ca">mmalana@ccscan.ca</a>
	Basic English Conversation Group (in person)	Permanent Resident, Convention Refugee or Live-in Caregiver, limited spots for Refugee Claimants	Saturdays 11am-1pm	SIP 3227 Eglinton Ave. E., Unit 135 Toronto ON M1J 3M5	Toronto	Eliana Fonseca Lopez 416-266-7200 Ext. 4203 <a href="mailto:elopez@ccscan.ca">elopez@ccscan.ca</a>
	Family Conversation Circle (in person)	Permanent Resident, Convention Refugee or Live-in Caregiver parents with children	Saturday 11am-1pm	The Settlement Resources Networking Hub, 3495, Lawrence Ave E, Scarborough, ON M1H 1B3	Scarborough	Sara Jajju 416-970-2203 <a href="mailto:sjajju@ccscan.ca">sjajju@ccscan.ca</a>

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	Family Conversation Circle (in person)	Permanent Resident, Convention Refugee or Live-in Caregiver parents with children	Saturdays 1:30pm-3:30pm	SIP 3227 Eglinton Ave. E., Unit 135 Toronto ON M1J 3M5	Toronto	Anosha Achekzai 647-382-9761 <a href="mailto:aachekzai@ccscan.ca">aachekzai@ccscan.ca</a>
	English Conversation Group	Everyone	Mondays & Tuesdays 10am-11:30am	Virtual	Toronto	Wen Chen 647-388-3762 <a href="mailto:wchen@ccscan.ca">wchen@ccscan.ca</a>
	English Conversation Circle for Newcomers	Everyone (as through SWIS)	Mondays 1pm-2:15pm	Virtual	Toronto	Aqeela Talat 647-296-0243 <a href="mailto:atalat@ccscan.ca">atalat@ccscan.ca</a>
	English Conversation Circle for Newcomers	SWIS hub students	Tuesdays and Thursdays 11:30am - 12:30pm	SWIS - Leacock Hub - 2450 Birchmount Rd, Scarborough, ON M1T 2M5	Scarborough	Saghana Shurentiran 647-296-5903 <a href="mailto:sshurentiran@ccscan.ca">sshurentiran@ccscan.ca</a>
<a href="#">Centre for Immigrant &amp; Community Services (CICS)</a>	English Conversation Circle (in person)	Open to all	Thursdays 10am-11am	North York Central Library 5120 Yonge St, North York, ON M2N 5N9	North York	Iona Seo 647-999-6012
	English Conversation Circle Advanced	Open to all	Tuesdays 1pm-2pm	Virtual		Heng-Fei Kuo 416-316-3803

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	English Conversation Circle Beginner	Open to all	Tuesdays 3pm-4pm	Virtual		Heng-Fei Kuo 416-316-3803
<a href="#">COSTI</a>	Click, Connect, Communicate	Permanent residents, convention refugees, refugee claimants	CLB 1-3 Wednesdays 6pm-7pm  CLB 5-8 Thursdays 3pm-4pm  CLB 3-4 Fridays 3pm -4pm	Virtual		<a href="https://www.costi.org/programs/program_details.php?sid=63&amp;pid=4&amp;id=243">https://www.costi.org/programs/program_details.php?sid=63&amp;pid=4&amp;id=243</a>  416-244-9980 <a href="mailto:linctoronto@costi.org">linctoronto@costi.org</a>
<a href="#">For You Telecare Family Service (FUTFS)</a>	ESL Classes Intermediate-Advanced (in person)	Open to all	Tuesdays 10:30am- 12pm	200 Finch West, Suite 221 Yonge Centre Plus, North York, ON M2R 3W4	North York	Suyeon Jin 416-999-1392 <a href="mailto:jinsuyeon2012@gmail.com">jinsuyeon2012@gmail.com</a>
<a href="#">Iranian Women Organization of Ontario (IWOO)</a>	504 English Words Group Learning  Let's Speak English	Open to all	Mondays (Virtual) 10am- 11am  Tuesdays (Virtual) 9:30am- 10:45am	Virtual or In-person  1761 Sheppard Ave E Ground Floor, North	North York	<a href="https://iwontario.com/settlement-newcomer/info@iwontario.com">https://iwontario.com/settlement-newcomer/info@iwontario.com</a> 416-496-9566



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	English Conversation Class – Basic Level		Wednesdays 12pm – 1pm	York, ON M2J 0A5		
	English Intermediate Conversation Class		Thursdays 4pm-6pm			
<a href="#">JIAS Toronto</a>	English Conversation Circle	Open to all but priority given to IRCC eligible	Wednesdays 1:00 pm & 7pm	Virtual	North York	Registration form (includes link to register as JIAS client first): <a href="https://linktr.ee/jiaslanguageprograms">https://linktr.ee/jiaslanguageprograms</a>
<a href="#">Learning Disability Association of Toronto</a>	English Literacy (high beginner-low intermediate)	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees) Learning Disabilities or ADHD welcome (no diagnosis required, all welcome)	Fridays 12pm-1:30pm	Virtual	North York	Rachel Jones Phone: 647-531-1680 (call, text, or WhatsApp) <a href="mailto:settlementinfo@ldatd.on.ca">settlementinfo@ldatd.on.ca</a> or <a href="mailto:Kdenieva@ldatd.on.ca">Kdenieva@ldatd.on.ca</a> <a href="mailto:Cboadu@ldatd.on.ca">Cboadu@ldatd.on.ca</a> <a href="mailto:Rjones@ldatd.on.ca">Rjones@ldatd.on.ca</a>
	English from Zero (absolute beginners) (In-person)	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees) Learning Disabilities or ADHD welcome (no diagnosis	Tuesdays 2pm-3pm	121 Willowdale Ave, North York, ON M2N 6A3		Rachel Jones Phone: 647-531-1680 (call, text, or WhatsApp) <a href="mailto:settlementinfo@ldatd.on.ca">settlementinfo@ldatd.on.ca</a> or <a href="mailto:Kdenieva@ldatd.on.ca">Kdenieva@ldatd.on.ca</a> <a href="mailto:Cboadu@ldatd.on.ca">Cboadu@ldatd.on.ca</a> <a href="mailto:Rjones@ldatd.on.ca">Rjones@ldatd.on.ca</a>

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		required, all welcome)				
	LINC Support (1:1 & small group, all CLB level)	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees) Learning Disabilities or ADHD welcome (no diagnosis required, all welcome)	Mon – Fri Per request	In-person/ Virtual 121 Willowdale Ave, North York, ON M2N 6A3		Cindy Boadu Phone: 647-531-1680 (call, text, or WhatsApp) <a href="mailto:settlementinfo@ldatd.on.ca">settlementinfo@ldatd.on.ca</a> or <a href="mailto:cboadu@ldatd.on.ca">cboadu@ldatd.on.ca</a> <a href="mailto:Kdenieva@ldatd.on.ca">Kdenieva@ldatd.on.ca</a> <a href="mailto:Rjones@ldatd.on.ca">Rjones@ldatd.on.ca</a>
<a href="#">New Circles Community Services</a>	English Literacy (beginner-low intermediate) (in person)	Permanent Residents, Convention Refugees, Refugee Claimants (all welcome)	Thursdays 11am-1pm	44 Mobile Drive. Toronto, ON M4A 2P2	GTA	Alberto Munoz <a href="mailto:alberto@newcircles.ca">alberto@newcircles.ca</a> 416- 422-2591 Ext 206
<a href="#">North York Community House</a>	English Development Skills	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees)	Tuesdays 6pm-7:15pm	Virtual	North York	Maria Antonietta Crupi <a href="mailto:mcrupi@nych.ca">mcrupi@nych.ca</a> 416-419-4037
	English Conversation Circle	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees)	Mondays 6:30-7:30 pm	Virtual		
	English Conversation Circle	IRCC eligible	Wednesdays 5pm-6 pm	Virtual		

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		(Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees)				
	English Conversation Circle	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees)	Fridays 11am- 12pm	Virtual		
	Music Noon Hour	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees)	Thursdays 12pm - 1pm	Virtual		
	English Conversation Circle (in person)	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees)	Wednesdays 2:30-4:15pm	Canadian Centre for Language and Cultural Studies (CCLCS), 5734 Yonge Street, 2nd Floor, North York, ON M2M 4E7		
	English Conversation Circle (in person)	IRCC eligible (Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees)	Fridays 12pm-1pm	UCSST - 2445 Bloor St. W, Toronto, ON M6S 1P7		

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<a href="#"><u>Pathway to Possibilities (PTP)</u></a>	English Conversation Circle	Permanent Residents Convention Refugees Protected Persons Live-In Caregivers	Tuesdays and Fridays 1pm-3pm	Virtual		<a href="https://ptp.ca/english-conversation-circle/"><u>https://ptp.ca/english-conversation-circle/</u></a> <a href="mailto:andrews@ptp.ca"><u>andrews@ptp.ca</u></a> 416-510-8079
<a href="#"><u>Polycultural Immigrant and Community Services</u></a>  Scarborough South	English Conversation Circle (in person)	Priority for Permanent Resident and Convention Refugees	Tuesdays 2pm - 3pm	Polycultural - 3225 Eglinton Ave. E. Unit 101B, Scarborough, ON M1J 2H7	Scarborough	Abinna 416-261-4901 ext. 3248 <a href="mailto:asubramaniam@polycultural.org"><u>asubramaniam@polycultural.org</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>The Salvation Army (Toronto Harbour Light Ministries)</u></a>	English Conversation Circle	Open to all	Beginner: Monday-Thursday 12pm - 1:30pm  Intermediate: Monday-Thursday 1:30pm – 3pm  High Intermediate: Monday-Thursday 9am- 11:30am	Virtual		<a href="https://torontoharbourlight.ca/free-english-classes/"><u>https://torontoharbourlight.ca/free-english-classes/</u></a> 416- 682-2505 416- 807-1983 <a href="mailto:torontohl.settlementservices@salvationarmy.ca"><u>torontohl.settlementservices@salvationarmy.ca</u></a>

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			Online English Conversation Club: Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm			
<a href="#">TNO-The Neighbourhood Organization</a>	English Conversation Circle (In person)	Open to all newcomers, Must be 18 years of age or older	Mondays and Wednesdays 5pm – 7pm	TNO- Thornccliffe Park Community Hub, 45 Overlea Blvd, Unit 200, Toronto, ON M4H 1C3		Nahida Abdul Jalil 416-467-0126 Ext: 1249 <a href="mailto:najalil@tno-toronto.org">najalil@tno-toronto.org</a>
<a href="#">University Settlement</a>	English Conversation Circle	Open to all	Tuesdays 2:30pm-4pm	Virtual		Lei Xu <a href="mailto:Lei.xu@universitysettlement.ca">Lei.xu@universitysettlement.ca</a>
	English Writing	Open to all	Wednesday 2:30pm-4pm	Virtual		
<a href="#">Working Women Community Centre (WWCC)</a>	ABC Circle Time	Open to all	Mondays 1:30pm-2:30pm	Virtual	North York	Zarine Dordi <a href="mailto:zdordi@workingwomenc.org">zdordi@workingwomenc.org</a>
	Conversation Club with Maria	Open to all	Tuesdays 2:45pm-3:45pm	Virtual		
	Speak up with Susan	Open to all	Wednesdays 2:45pm-3:45pm	Virtual		
	Chatting Hour	Open to all	Thursdays 5:30pm-6:30pm	Virtual		
	Talk and Learn with Linda	Open to all	Fridays 2:45pm-3:45pm	Virtual		

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<a href="#">WoodGreen Community Services</a>	ESL Social Club for Newcomers	Permanent Residents, Convention Refugees, live-in caregivers, and Government Assisted Refugees	Monday to Friday 9am-5pm & 6pm-8pm			<a href="https://www.woodgreen.org/programs/community-connections">https://www.woodgreen.org/programs/community-connections</a> 416-405-5099 <a href="mailto:fpun@woodgreen.org">fpun@woodgreen.org</a>
<a href="#">YMCA-Newcomer Information Centre</a>	LSP – English Conversation Circle – Steps to English Fluency	The program is specifically designed for newcomers to Canada and for YMCA Newcomer Information Centre clients only – please bring your immigration document to register.	Thursdays 3:30pm	Virtual		<a href="mailto:Yenny.Aguilera@YMCAGTA.ORG">Yenny.Aguilera@YMCAGTA.ORG</a>
	Let's Speak English (in-person)	The program is specifically designed for newcomers to Canada and for YMCA Newcomer Information Centre clients only – please	Wednesdays 3pm-4:30pm	Toronto Reference Library – Discussion Room (3rd Floor), 789 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M4W 2G8		<a href="mailto:Doris.Garcia@ymcagta.org">Doris.Garcia@ymcagta.org</a>

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		bring your immigration document to register.				
<a href="#">Yonge Eglinton Community Centre</a>	English Conversation Circle	Open to all	Mondays 6:30- 7:30pm  Wednesdays 6pm-8pm	160 Eglinton Avenue East @ Redpath*, Toronto, ON M4P 3B5	North York	<a href="https://yongeeglingtoncc.com/newcomer-support/">https://yongeeglingtoncc.com/newcomer-support/</a> 416-392-0511 ext. 0 <a href="mailto:kvodopianova@yongeeglingtoncc.com">kvodopianova@yongeeglingtoncc.com</a>

## English Conversation Circle (ECC) - Toronto Public Libraries

Branch Name	Program Name	Time	Platform/ Location	Area	Contact Information	In Partnership with
<a href="#">Albert Campbell Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 pm	496 Birchmount Rd Toronto, ON M1K 1N8	Scarborough South West	416-396-8890	
<a href="#">Bloor Gladstone Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Mondays 6:00-8:00 pm	1101 Bloor Street W, Toronto, ON M6H 1M7	Davenport	416-393-7674	CultureLink Settlement & Community Services
<a href="#">Brentwood Public Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 pm	36 Brentwood Road North, Toronto, ON M8X 2B5	Etobicoke Lakeshore	416-394-5240	
<a href="#">City Hall Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Mondays 4:00-5:30 pm	Nathan Phillips Square 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N3	Spadina Fort York	416-393-7650	
<a href="#">Danforth/Coxwell Library</a>	English Conversation Circle;  Advanced English Conversation Circle	Mondays 6:00-7:30 pm  Thursdays (Advanced) 6:00-7:30 pm	675 Danforth Avenue Toronto, ON M4C 5P2	Beaches East York	416-397-5981; Please contact Theresa Tao at ttao@woodgreen.org to register. Please provide your full legal name and your CLB level of English.	WoodGreen Community Services



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<a href="#">Daniel G. Hill Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 11am - 12:30pm	620 Jane Street, Toronto, ON M6S 4A6		Practice English weekly in a small group setting with support from CultureLink mentors. Please call Daniel G Hill for registration at 416-394-1014	CultureLink Settlement & Community Services
<a href="#">Elmbrook Public Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Thursdays 6:30-8:00 pm	2 Elmbrook Crescent Toronto, ON M9C 5B4	Etobicoke	416-394-5290	
<a href="#">Flemington Public Library</a>	English Conversation Circle for beginners	Mondays 10:00-11:00 am	29 St. Dennis Drive Toronto, ON M3C 3J3	Don Valley East	416-395-5820 Registration required. Adults 18+ are welcome. For more information and registration, please contact Tom (LSP worker) by email, than@tno- toronto.org, by phone (647) 296- 0147 or visit the Branch.	TNO - The Neighbourhood Organization
<a href="#">Forest Hill Public Library</a>	English Conversation Circle for beginners	Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 pm	700 Eglinton Avenue W	Eglinton Lawrence	416-393-7706 or CultureLink staff Lily Brandy	CultureLink Settlement &

Branch Name	Program Name	Time	Platform/ Location	Area	Contact Information	In Partnership with
			Toronto, ON M5N 1B9		Krowiak at 416- 588-6288 / ext. 213	Community Services
<a href="#">Fort York Public Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Saturdays 9:30-10:30 am	190 Fort York Boulevard Toronto, ON M5V 0E7	Spadina Fort York	416-393-6240	
<a href="#">High Park Public Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 2:30-4:00 pm	228 Roncesvalles Avenue Toronto, ON M6R 2L7	Parkdale High Park	416-393-7671	
<a href="#">Lillian H. Smith Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Mondays 2:00-3:00 pm	239 College Street Toronto, ON M5T 1R5	University Rosedale	416-393-7746	
<a href="#">Maria A. Shchuka Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 6:00-7:15 pm	1745 Eglinton Avenue West Toronto, ON M6E 2H4	Toronto St. Paul's	416-394-1000	
<a href="#">Maryvale Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Saturdays 10:00-11:00 am	Parkway Mall 85 Ellesmere Road, Unit 22, Toronto, ON M1R 4B9	Toronto St. Paul's	416-396-8931	
<a href="#">Mount Dennis Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 pm	1123 Weston Road Toronto, ON M6N 3S3	York South Weston	416-394-1008 Practice English weekly in a small group setting with support from CultureLink's mentors.	CultureLink Settlement & Community Services

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<a href="#">New Toronto Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Thursdays 6:00-7:30 pm	110 Eleventh Street Toronto, ON M8V 3G5	Etobicoke Lakeshore	416-394-5350 Or CultureLink staff Lily at 647- 986-4219 for registration.	CultureLink Settlement & Community Services
<a href="#">North York Central Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Thursdays 2:00-3:00 pm	5120 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M2N 5N9	Willowdale	416-395-5535	
<a href="#">Northern District Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Thursdays 2:00-3:30 pm	40 Orchard View Boulevard Toronto, ON M4R 1B9	Eglinton Lawrence	416-393-7610	
<a href="#">Parkdale Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Saturdays 2:00-3:00 pm	303 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M6K 1L6	York South Weston	416-393-7686	
<a href="#">Parliament Street Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Mondays 6:00-7:00 pm	269 Gerrard Street East Toronto, ON M5A 2G3	Toronto Centre	416-393-7663	
<a href="#">Port Union Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 6:00-7:00 pm	5450 Lawrence Avenue East, Toronto, ON M1C 3B2	Scarborough	416-393-7677	
<a href="#">Richview Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Mondays 2:00-3:00 pm	1806 Islington Avenue Toronto, ON M9P 3N3	Etobicoke Centre	416-394-5120	

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<a href="#">Runnymede Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Thursdays 6:30-8:00 pm	2178 Bloor Street West, Toronto, ON M6S 1M8	Toronto	416-393-7697	
<a href="#">Sanderson Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm	327 Bathurst Street Toronto, ON M5T 1J1	Spadina Fort York	416-397-5981	
<a href="#">Spadina Road Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Tuesdays 6:00-7:00 pm	10 Spadina Road Toronto, ON M5R 2S7	University Rosedale	416-393-7666	
<a href="#">St. Clair/Silverthorn Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Thursdays 6:00-7:30 pm	1748 St. Clair Avenue West Toronto, ON M6N 1J3	University Rosedale	416-393-7709	
<a href="#">St Lawrence Library</a>	English Conversation Circle	Thursdays 6:00-8:00 pm	171 Front Street East Toronto, ON M5A 4H3	Toronto Centre	416-393-7655	
<a href="#">Toronto Reference Library</a>	LSP: Let's Speak English! English Conversation Circle	Wednesdays 3:00-4:30 pm	789 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4W 2G8	University Rosedale	416-395-5577 This program is specifically designed for newcomers to Canada. Beginners and intermediate learners are welcome. Please register with the YMCA Newcomer	YMCA Newcomer Information Centre

Branch Name	Program Name	Time	Platform/ Location	Area	Contact Information	In Partnership with
					Information Centre. For more information, please call 416- 917-6717 or email <a href="mailto:Doris.Garcia@ymcagta.org">Doris.Garcia@ymcagta.org</a>	

Please note that programs might change. It's best to check the library's website.

## English Conversation Circle (ECC) - Faith-Based Organizations

Name	Program Name	Program Description	Time	Platform/Location	Area	Contact information
<a href="#"><u>Bayview Glen Alliance Church</u></a>	ESL Classes		Mondays and Thursdays 10am-12pm	Bayview Glen Church (Upper parking lot entrance) cost: \$ 50.00	North York	To register, please arrive at 9:30 AM any Monday or Thursday morning. Mary Hogan <a href="mailto:mhogan1782@gmail.com"><u>mhogan1782@gmail.com</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Chinese Gospel Church Scarborough</u></a>	Bible based English Conversation Circle (in person)	Age 18 and above	Thursdays 10:30-12:30pm September to June	Chinese Gospel Church Scarborough, 2610 Birchmount Rd, Scarborough, ON M1W 2P5	Scarborough	Diana 647-834-2061
<a href="#"><u>Evangelical Presbyterian Church</u></a>	ESL	Beginner and Intermediate	Fridays 7 -8:30 pm	593 Sheppard Ave. East, North York, ON M2K 1B4	North York	<a href="mailto:epc.esl@gmail.com"><u>epc.esl@gmail.com</u></a>
<b>Flemingdon Park Ministry</b>	English Conversation Class		Mondays 10am - 11am Tuesdays 10am-11am	10 Gateway Blvd, North York, ON M3C 3A1	North York	416-425-1841 <a href="mailto:hello@flemingdonparkministry.com"><u>hello@flemingdonparkministry.com</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Humbervale Park Baptist Church</u></a>	ESL	Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced ESL Classes.	Mondays 7p.m.- 8:30 pm	763 Royal York Rd, Toronto, ON M8Y 2T3		<a href="https://www.humbervalepark.org"><u>https://www.humbervalepark.org</u></a> <a href="mailto:humbervalepark@gmail.com"><u>humbervalepark@gmail.com</u></a> Domenic 416-231-6483
<a href="#"><u>Keele Street Christian Church</u></a>	ESL	Would you like to meet some new friends and practice speaking	Saturdays 10 am- 12 pm	South/east corner of Keele & Annette. Annette is one block south of		<a href="mailto:esl@keelestreet.ca"><u>esl@keelestreet.ca</u></a>

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		English? Keele Street Christian Church offers free ESL classes.		Dundas St. West. ** (The entrance is on 97 Annette St.)		
<a href="#">KNOX Presbyterian Church</a>	ESL Class (in person)	Classes are best suited for those 16 years old to any age of adult who can have simple conversations in English.	Mondays 6:00pm-7:30pm	630 Spadina Ave, Toronto, ON M5S 2H4, Canada (Spadina and south of Bloor)	Downtown	416-921-8993 <a href="mailto:info@knoxtoronto.org">info@knoxtoronto.org</a> Christine Park (Interim International Ministries Coordinator) <a href="mailto:christine@knoxtoronto.org">christine@knoxtoronto.org</a>
<a href="#">Lansing United Church</a>	Coffee with Brad (drop-in for conversation and coffee and tea)		Wednesdays 1-3 pm (WE DO NOT MEET IN AUGUST)	49 Bogert Avenue, Toronto	North York	<a href="mailto:Lansingunited@lansingchurch.com">Lansingunited@lansingchurch.com</a>
<a href="#">Light of the World Learning</a>	Bible-based ESL for Women		Wednesdays 7pm-9pm September to June	Virtual		Lorna Tatomir 1-519-613-8829 <a href="mailto:tatomirlorna@gmail.com">tatomirlorna@gmail.com</a>
<a href="#">Morningstar Christian Fellowship</a>	English Friend Chats	Open to all	TBD	7601 Sheppard Ave E, Scarborough, ON M1B 2Y7	Scarborough	Johnson Hsu 647-987-6011 <a href="mailto:johnson.hsu@morningstarfellowship.ca">johnson.hsu@morningstarfellowship.ca</a>
<a href="#">Mt Pleasant Road Baptist Church</a>	ESL	Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced ESL Classes.	Mondays Registration at 7:15 p.m. Classes at 7:30 - 8:30 pm	527 Mt Pleasant Rd, Toronto, ON M4S 2M4		<a href="mailto:church@mprbc.org">church@mprbc.org</a> 416-481-7680

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<a href="#">North York Chinese Baptist Church</a>	ESL (Level 1,2,3 and conversation)		Thursdays 1:30pm-3pm	Virtual		NYCBC-Community Services 416-223-3121 Ext 8801 <a href="mailto:Communityservice@nycbc.ca">Communityservice@nycbc.ca</a>
<a href="#">Oak Ridges Church</a>	Conversation ESL	Open to all	Wednesdays and Thursdays 1pm (Seasonal closures)	Oak Ridges Church 8 Aubrey Ave Richmond Hill, ON L4E 1A5	Richmond Hill	<a href="mailto:oakridgesesl@gmail.com">oakridgesesl@gmail.com</a>
<a href="#">Oakwood Baptist Church</a>	ESL	Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced ESL Classes.	Sundays 12:30 -1:30 pm Tuesdays 2:40 pm- 4:30 pm Thursdays 4 p.m. - 6p.m.	421 Oakwood Ave, York, ON M6E 2W1		Gloria 416-654-8020
<a href="#">Parkway Forest Community Church</a>	English Conversation Class Upper Intermediate/Advanced	Open to all	Wednesdays 7:00-8:30 pm	Virtual		Jennifer Tong <a href="mailto:jennifercheeyee@gmail.com">jennifercheeyee@gmail.com</a>
	English Conversation Class Early to Mid-Intermediate	Open to all	Mondays 6:30-8:00 pm	Virtual		Jennifer Tong <a href="mailto:jennifercheeyee@gmail.com">jennifercheeyee@gmail.com</a>
	English Conversation Class Beginner	Open to all	Mondays 6:30-8:00 pm	Virtual		Jennifer Tong <a href="mailto:jennifercheeyee@gmail.com">jennifercheeyee@gmail.com</a>
<a href="#">Spring Garden Church</a>	ESL Class		Sunday at 11:30am	112 Spring Garden Ave	North York	416-223-4593 <a href="mailto:garthbarron@sympatico.ca">garthbarron@sympatico.ca</a>



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<a href="#">Shoreline Baptist Church</a>	ESL Classes and ESL Conversations	Open to all	TBD for the fall. ESL Classes Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 12:00pm  ESL Conversations Thursday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00pm	in person at Shoreline Baptist Church 910 Goderich St, Port Elgin, ON N0H 2C3	Port Elgin (Saugeen Shores)	Sherine Boville <a href="mailto:esl@shorelinechurch.ca">esl@shorelinechurch.ca</a>
<a href="#">St. Andrew's Church</a>	Better English Cafe		Tuesdays 7:00pm-8:30pm	73 Simcoe Street, Toronto, Ontario Great Hall (Enter via Simcoe Street – opposite Roy Thomson Hall)	Downtown	<a href="mailto:info@standrewstoronto.org">info@standrewstoronto.org</a> <a href="tel:416-593-5600">416-593-5600</a> <a href="https://www.meetup.com/Better-English-Cafe/">https://www.meetup.com/Better-English-Cafe/</a>
<a href="#">St Timothy's Anglican Church</a>	ESL Conversation (in person)  Reading Comprehension  Career mentoring	Conversation and book club Parish volunteers, clergy, and a diverse bunch of international students and newcomers to Canada gather for conversation and relationship building. The	Tuesdays 11am-12:30pm  10am-11am  10am-11am	Church of St. Timothy, North Toronto 100 Old Orchard Grove M5M 2E2	North York	416-488-0079 <a href="mailto:office@sttimothy.ca">office@sttimothy.ca</a> Reading comprehension and Career mentoring run on Alternating Tuesdays.

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		ESL Book club meets bi-weekly before the sessions, and students and clergy often go out for lunch or volunteer at the church following the class.				
<a href="#"><u>St. George on Yonge Anglican Church</u></a>	ESL Class	Instruction is given to those who have basic and intermediate needs. Those who attend enjoy learning together about the language and also about basics of living in Canada.	Wednesdays 10:00-12:00pm	5350 Yonge St. Toronto, Ontario		416-225-1922 <a href="mailto:info@stgeorgeonyonge.ca"><u>info@stgeorgeonyonge.ca</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>St. John's Anglican Church</u></a>	ESL Chat Time	Each session, Practise speaking English through games, activities, and discussion.	Tuesdays 1:30 pm- 3:00 pm	1087 Lillian St, North York, ON M2M 3G1	North York	416-461-0692 <a href="mailto:sjac.eSLchattime@gmail.com"><u>sjac.eSLchattime@gmail.com</u></a>

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		Read a sheet of notes and pick up new vocabulary around a topic.				
<a href="#"><u>St. Paul's Bloor Street</u></a>	ESL Café	ESL Café at St. Paul's is free of charge with the help of friendly volunteers. Also, offered coffee and tea to all participants.	Mondays 7-8:30 pm, September to June (drop-in)	227 Bloor Street East Toronto, ON M4W 1C8 (Bloor and Jarvis)	Downtown	Ben Tshin <a href="mailto:btshin@stpaulsbloor.org">btshin@stpaulsbloor.org</a>
<a href="#"><u>The Lighthouse Community Center</u></a>	ESL Class	Beginner and Intermediate	Wednesday 10 am -12 pm	1008 Bathurst St. Toronto, ON M5R 3G7	North York	<a href="mailto:rita@lighthousecentre.ca">rita@lighthousecentre.ca</a> 416-535-6262
<a href="#"><u>The Peoples Church</u></a>	ESL Class In person	Basic, Intermediate, Advanced	Wednesdays 1pm-4pm	The Peoples Church 374 Sheppard Ave East Toronto, Ontario M2N 3B6	North York	Solange Belluz <a href="mailto:newcomers@thepeopleschurch.ca">newcomers@thepeopleschurch.ca</a>
	ESL Classes	Basic-Intermediate	Thursdays 1pm-4pm	Virtual		Solange Belluz <a href="mailto:newcomers@thepeopleschurch.ca">newcomers@thepeopleschurch.ca</a>
	ESL Classes	Intermediate-Advanced	Thursdays 1pm-4pm	Virtual		Solange Belluz <a href="mailto:newcomers@thepeopleschurch.ca">newcomers@thepeopleschurch.ca</a>

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<a href="#">Toronto Alliance Church</a>	ESL	Join for group conversations, a friendly environment, and practical language skills.	Wednesdays 10:30-11:30 am	602 Queen St W. Toronto, ON Canada, M6J 1E3		<a href="mailto:leslie@torontoalliancechurch.ca">leslie@torontoalliancechurch.ca</a>
<a href="#">The Salvation Army (Toronto Harbour Light Ministries)</a>	English Conversation Circle		Beginner: Monday-Thursday 12:00 - 1:30 pm  Intermediate: Monday-Thursday 1:30 - 3:00 pm  High Intermediate: Monday-Thursday 9:00 - 11:30am  Online English Conversation Club: Monday and Wednesday 7:00 pm	Virtual		<a href="https://torontoharbourlight.ca/free-english-classes/">https://torontoharbourlight.ca/free-english-classes/</a> 416-682-2505 416-807-1983 <a href="mailto:torontohl.settlementservices@salvationarmy.ca">torontohl.settlementservices@salvationarmy.ca</a>

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<a href="#"><u>Trinity Grace Church</u></a>	ESL Conversation Class	Open to all adults – no charge	Sunday (In-person) 6:30 pm Sunday (Virtual) 7:00 pm	826 Eglinton Ave E, East York, ON M4G 2L1	East York/Leaside	<a href="mailto:esl@trinitygrace.ca"><u>esl@trinitygrace.ca</u></a> Yoshi Tanaka 647-828-7608
<a href="#"><u>Willowdale Emanuel United Church</u></a>	ESL	Show up and register with Teacher	Wednesdays 10 am- 12 pm	349 Kenneth Ave. Toronto, ON M2N 4V9	North York	416-225-2309 <a href="mailto:weunitedchurch@hotmail.com"><u>weunitedchurch@hotmail.com</u></a>

## Additional Resources

- [ESL Materials at Toronto Public Library](#)
- [e-Resources on language learning](#)
- <https://eslministries.org/find-an-esl-program/>
- <https://eslconversationcafe.ca/>
- MEETUP: <https://www.meetup.com/find/?keywords=English%20Conversation&location=ca--on--Toronto&source=EVENTS> (both virtual and in person events)