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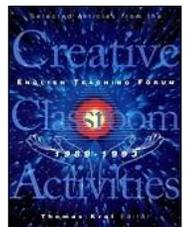
## Materials for ETAs

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**About the U.S.A.** is an American Studies reader that examines the customs, government, and history of the United States of America. The text provides a wealth of information on U.S. geography and history; the roles of local, state, and federal government; national holidays and symbols; the Constitution; and citizenship. The book, which was written for intermediate to advanced learners of English, contains a range of activities for language students to practice listening, speaking, reading, and writing.



**Creative Classroom Activities** is the second of a two-volume anthology of articles published between 1989 and 1993 in *English Teaching Forum*. This text is practical in nature, focusing on teaching techniques and classroom materials developed by teachers around the world. The articles are divided into the following categories: Activating Communication, Developing Materials, Teaching Reading, Teaching Writing, and Teaching Literature. This text is intended for in-service and pre-service teachers and teacher trainers in public and private institutions.



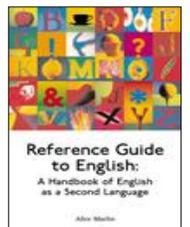
**The Lighter Side of TEFL** is a collection of activities taken from "The Lighter Side," a recurring feature section in *English Teaching Forum* that first appeared in 1976. The text includes word games, crossword puzzles, idioms, limericks, jokes, riddles, and international folk tales. Each activity is self-contained on one page for easy duplication by the teacher and includes teaching suggestions and an answer key. The accompanying audio features humorous short pieces for listening comprehension.



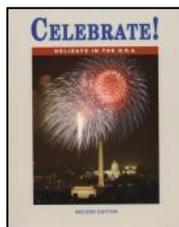
**Picture US** is a collection of 26 full-color durable posters showing various scenes from around the United States (farmers market, kindergarten students, rodeo, mural, powwow, etc.). The photographs are intended to stimulate and motivate students in conversation activities. An insert with detailed tips for using images in the classroom is included. The large format of the photographs makes them useful in large classes. The durability of the cards permits the students to handle them in small groups. A great resource for discussions about the life in the United States.



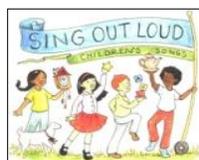
The **Reference Guide to English** was designed to help learners of English understand challenging points of grammar. Individual grammar points are presented in a graded format, starting with basic concepts before working up to more difficult levels of complexity. This handy reference is comprehensive in nature, using both contemporary and traditional approaches to grammar instruction. The primary focus is on the written form of American English, although explanations of colloquial forms are common throughout.



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