

What is "Los Amigos?"

Los Amigos Club is a group of adults who meet weekly for 2 ½ hours to practice English and improve their communication skills. The club has over 30 members and is organized by Stella Segura, the ESL Services Coordinator for Literacy Volunteers - Plainfield Public Library. Peter Jacobs and other tutors visit the club and take part in the activities.

Typically one will find 10 to 20 members at any given meeting. Its members and guests are native to more than 10 different countries and speak at least 5 different languages, however it is their desire to improve their English that brings them together.



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▶ Weekly Activities

These are only some of the typical learning activities that the club uses to practice English:

1. **Games** - Members play games such as bingo, tic-tac-toe, alphabet game, role playing, etc, using English language.
2. **Listening** - Members listen to stories and discuss them in groups.
3. **Reading** - A variety of articles are read to focus on new words to increase vocabulary. Articles may come from actual newspapers or from magazines specifically designed to provide reading practice.
4. **Practicing conversations** - Members are divided into pairs or small groups and are provided with a topic. Each group must spend several minutes discussing that topic, allowing students to practice speaking spontaneously.
5. **Structure of sentences** - Members are provided with an envelope that contains several note cards with a word written on each one. These words have to be used to form sentences.
6. **Tongue twisters** - These are a good way to practice hard-to-pronounce English sounds.
7. **Movies** - Different movies are watched followed by a discussion. This is a good way to practice both listening and pronunciation skills.
8. **Songs** - Members sing famous songs in English. This is a very enjoyable way to practice the language.

▶ Major Annual Activities

- * Picnic day
- * Halloween Party
- * Christmas Party
- * Role Playing
- * Special guests throughout the year who come to talk about what they do. e.g. real estate, education, banking, etc.

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▶ Accomplishments

- ◆ Students are more sociable, relaxed, and confident.
- ◆ They are more comfortable voicing their opinions and observations about things.
- ◆ Practice English for the citizenship test and the interview
- ◆ Getting a job
- ◆ Retaining employment
- ◆ Obtaining job advancement
- ◆ Involvement in their children's education
- ◆ Getting a license or a certification

Meeting Date:
Every Wednesday

Location:
Plainfield Public Library

Time:
6:00 p.m.

It's free to join Los Amigos. If you are interested, please contact Stella Segura at 908 757-1111 ext. 121

