



LANGUAGE IS A RESOURCE, LEARNING A RIGHT.

Polyglot Professional Learning Tools

Top Strategies for MLs + AI Hooks

#	Strategy	Student Practice	Teacher Routine	AI Hook
1	Rich, comprehensible input tied to content	Work with grade-level texts/media supported by visuals, chunking, and quick gists, not just simplified worksheets.	Pre-chunk texts, add glosses and visuals, and frontload organizers so core ideas are accessible.	Generate multiple proficiency-level versions of the same text plus one-sentence gists per paragraph; students ladder up from easier to harder.
2	Structured peer talk and collaboration	Use rehearsed sentence frames and roles in pair/group work instead of unstructured chatting.	Build repeating talk routines (wagon wheel, partner Q/A) with posted roles and frames tied to language targets.	Create role cards, discussion questions, and sentence stems tailored to topic and proficiency level.
3	Explicit language goals in every content lesson	Practice the “language move of the day” (describe, compare, argue, explain cause/effect) multiple times.	Post a content objective and a parallel language objective; design at least one task that requires the target structure.	Generate 5–10 example sentences using the target structure; students adapt them with class content.
4	High-impact vocabulary and morphology work	Work deeply with a small set of academic words and word parts and use them in speech and writing.	Choose 5–8 high-utility words; teach meaning, form, use; recycle them in questions and writing tasks.	Produce semantic maps, example/non-example sets, and morphology breakdowns (prefix/root/suffix) for target words; students choose or correct the best ones.

5	Leverage home languages and identities	Use home language for brainstorming, notes, and peer explanation; compare L1/L2 structures.	Invite bilingual products when appropriate and integrate students' cultural references into examples.	Generate bilingual glossaries or side-by-side translations for key terms, then have students check and correct with their own knowledge.
6	Oracy and literacy together	Move through short cycles of listen → speak → read → write around the same content.	Plan lessons where students talk with frames, read a short text, then write a brief response using the same language.	Generate short dialogues or cloze passages with target vocabulary; students practice orally and then complete/extend them in writing.
7	Scaffolds that fade	Move from full sentence frames to partial frames to independent language.	Provide strong models/frames first, then deliberately remove parts of the support in later tasks.	Create three tiers of frames (full, partial, minimal) for the same task; students choose their tier and "level up" over time.
8	Frequent, focused formative feedback	Use feedback to revise and set one small language goal (e.g., add connectors, fix past tense).	Respond to only 1–2 language features per assignment and plan mini-lessons from common errors.	Students request feedback on clarity/correctness (no rewriting), revise, and highlight changes; you focus feedback on ideas and higher-order language.
9	Predictable routines and clear expectations	Follow stable patterns for warm-ups, partner talk, note-taking, and exit tickets.	Establish and rehearse consistent lesson structures and talk routines; post them visually.	Generate student-friendly routine cards or checklists (step-by-step, simple language) for recurring activities to print or project.
10	Belonging , risk-taking, and asset framing	See multilingualism as a strength and treat mistakes as part of learning.	Normalize errors, publicly value home languages, and share examples of successful multilinguals.	After drafting, students ask AI to rewrite more formally, then compare and discuss changes—framing revision as growth, not "fixing bad English."

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