## EL/Civics Lesson Plan

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| Date(s) Used | March 2011 |
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| Civics Category | I. Rights and Responsibilities of Citizenship |
| Civics Objective | 1.Consumer Economics: Housing Describe methods and procedures to obtain housing and related services including low-cost community housing. |
| Time Frame to Complete Lesson | One hour |
| EFL(s) | NRS level 1 - very low |
| Standard(s)/ Components of Performance | Attend to oral information <br> Analyze the information and reflect on its underlying meaning. <br> Integrate it (new information) with prior knowledge to address the reading purpose. |
| Benchmark(s) | L1.4, R1.6,R2.2,R2.3,R2.4,R2.5,S2.4 |
| Materials | Classified section from the local community newspaper, index cards with ads for apartments or houses on each with highlighted information, such as "2-br apt" or "heat included". |
| Activities | 1. Ask the students if they rent an apartment or a house. Discuss the differences between them. <br> 2. On the board, write the words, "Size", "Cost" and "Extras". Under "Size" elicit from the students the different sizes of apts/houses as determined by the number of bedrooms and bathrooms. Under "Cost" write the amount a one-bedroom apt. and a threebedroom house rents for in your students' area. Under "Extras" elicit from the students costs in addition to rent. i.e. appliances, |

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|  | utilities, electricity, security deposit. <br> 3. Show the students the abbreviations for <br> apartment, bedroom, bathroom, month, <br> appliances, security deposit, etc. <br> 4.Give each student an index card with an ad on <br> it. Ask the students to raise their hands if <br> their ad has the highlighted information you <br> ask for: 2-br apt., heat and appliances <br> included, etc. As the students give the <br> information, have them write it on the board. <br> Redistribute the cards and repeat the <br> exercise as many times as needed. <br> Assesment/ <br> Evidence$\quad$Give each student an ad from the newspaper. Using <br> the ad the student will answer the following <br> questions: How many bedrooms, How many <br> bathrooms, How much is the rent, Are there any <br> extras? Explain them. |
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| Reflection | Many of my students are refugees who have been <br> placed in housing by an agency. As their families are <br> becoming employed, they are looking at more <br> housing options. Familiarity with the newspaper and <br> real estate terms and abbreviations will be helpful. |

