

REMOTE LEARNING

Tips

- Communication with [Talking Points](#) or other tech is vital to build and maintain relationships.
- I created pen pals in my class this year - it was great!
- Letter-writing and pen-pals!! Great ideas! Also [Google Classroom](#) posts, responding to each other.
- I'm thinking I could offer my adult students a time to meet with me later in summer before we "return" to class... and show them HOW they could use pictures and music and videos in a PowerPoint to show a movie of their story! I'd just made a PP showing our end of class review an certificates I made showing their total hours and level increases, pics from the year (activities and celebrations). I didn't get to add music and videos, but I did speak and set each screen to make a movie.

Communication tools

- There are also some great translation apps via cell phone
- [Talking Points](#) is very helpful for communication. It is like [ClassDojo](#).
 - Talking Points was A HUGE help for me during remote learning
- [Google Translate](#) has also been very helpful for me.
 - Beware of Google Translate -- not a fool proof tool

Internet access

- In our area, Comcast was offering free internet for 3 months during the school closure. They also have a program where the internet service costs \$10 a month.
- The internet from comcast kept kicking the students out of google meet. The connection is too slow.
- Our district was also able to get funding for individual hotspots that were sent out to families

Professional development and resources

- We at Immigrant Connections also offer PD throughout the year. :) Our next one is a 3 hour live workshop on "Engaging Immigrant and EL Families in a Virtual World" on July 30. We also offer longer online course (self paced) where folks can get graduate credit. All [here](#).
- [Considerations for School Leaders in Response to COVID-19 Pandemic](#) by Californians Together