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Abstract: Adult English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) professionals have long used technology to enrich instructional activities. Currently, they are integrating multimedia packages and PowerPoint presentations into instruction. Technology can be used in many different contexts (in the classroom, at distance learning sites, and for extended or self-study). New technologies present opportunities to accomplish multiple instructional goals and may be responsive to different learning styles. Challenges to technology use in adult ESL include financial constraints (funding for adult ESL instruction is usually limited), the digital divide, and matching technology applications to the program's instructional needs and goals. Efforts to use technology effectively in adult ESL instruction include the following: addressing the need for sufficient funding; including technology objectives in state-level adult education planning; choosing technology that supports and complements the approaches, needs, and goals of instruction; developing instructional models that integrate technology applications; creating and using hybrid models; developing software programs and Web sites that are appropriate for and usable by English learners; providing practitioners with appropriate training; researching and documenting the benefits and challenges of various uses of technology in education; and using technology to expand or individualize inside and outside the classroom. Additional resources are listed. (Adjunct ERIC Clearinghouse for ESL Literacy Education) (SM)

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