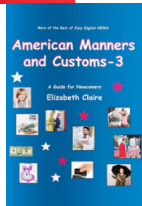
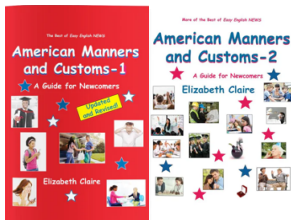


Roles and Goals – Community Member/Citizen

Below are resources selected by experienced staff. These resources were selected for volunteers to use with learners either in a one-on-one tutoring relationship or in a class setting.

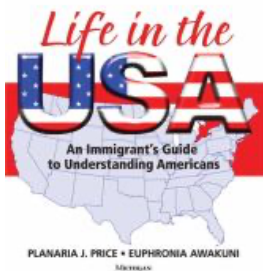
The books and series listed below provide helpful tools to understand the American way of life. Societal structures, customs, and holidays can be confusing to newcomers. These guides help navigate what might otherwise be an overwhelming maze. Whether learners are pursuing a path towards citizenship, or hoping to fit into their new community, these resources are a great place to start.



American Manners and Customs volumes 1, 2, and 3 by Elizabeth Claire

(request this supplemental curriculum from your Literacy Coordinator)

This series is recommended for intermediate to advanced learners. Includes manners for introductions, making a good impression, addressing others, table manners, restaurant manners, gift giving customs and manners, hygiene and cleanliness customs, road manners, telephone manners, manners around doors, and manners between men and women.



[*Life in the USA: An Immigrant's Guide to Understanding Americans* by Planaria J. Price](#)

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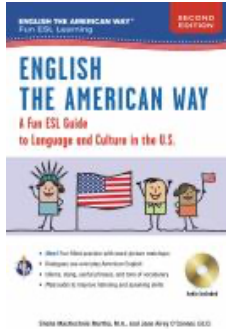
From job interviews to garage sales, and even dating, this title offers newcomers helpful hints and answers for becoming comfortable in the USA.



[*Living in the United States* by Raymond C. Clark](#)

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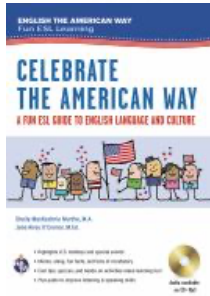
A cultural orientation handbook, including topics such as money, food, health, culture & values, geography, history, and technology.



[*English the American Way: A Fun ESL Guide to Language and Culture in the U.S.* by Sheila MacKechnie Murtha](#)

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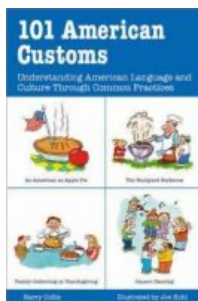
Chapters highlight important topics in American culture, such as making friends, getting around, dining out, dealing with money, buying a home, handling an emergency, visiting a doctor, and preparing for a job interview.



[*Celebrate the American Way: A Fun ESL Guide to English Language and Culture in the U.S.* by Sheila MacKechnie Murtha](#)

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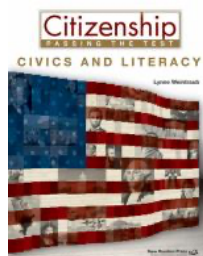
This friendly guide takes you on a year-long journey through American culture, highlighting the holidays and special events celebrated each season.



[*101 American Customs: Understanding American Language and Culture Through Common Practices* by Harry Collis](#)

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A humorous approach to understanding common American customs and expressions, customs are explained with conversational examples and whimsical cartoons.



[*Citizenship: Passing the Test: Civics and Literacy* by Lynne Weintraub](#)

325.182 W424-2 2009

Provides definitions of key concepts about American history and government used in the citizenship examination and interview.