

Finding Colloquialisms

Step 1: Find the main feed on the social media site. List at least 5 new words or phrases you find in the left column.

Word or Phrase	Meaning (in target language)

Step 2: Find the profiles of the following people and record at least two new word/phrases you find on their feeds.

Person 1:

Word or Phrase	Meaning (in target language)

Person 2:

Word or Phrase	Meaning (in target language)

Person 3:

Word or Phrase	Meaning (in target language)

Person 4:

Word or Phrase	Meaning (in target language)

Step 2: After you have found all of your new vocabulary items, work with partners/the class to predict the meaning of the phrases. You may need to refer to wordreference.com for additional help.

Step 3: Using the assigned instant messaging system, you and a partner will have a conversation in which you must naturally and logically incorporate as many of the new words/phrases as possible. When you are finished take a screen shot of your conversation or copy and paste it into a word document to turn in.



Step 4: Reflect

In the space below, please share whether or not you felt that social media was an effective tool for language learning. Did you learn new colloquialisms that you feel will help you express yourself in the future? Were the native and expert speakers' posts more difficult to read than you anticipated? Will you use this language strategy in the future?