

### What is ELLIS Intro?

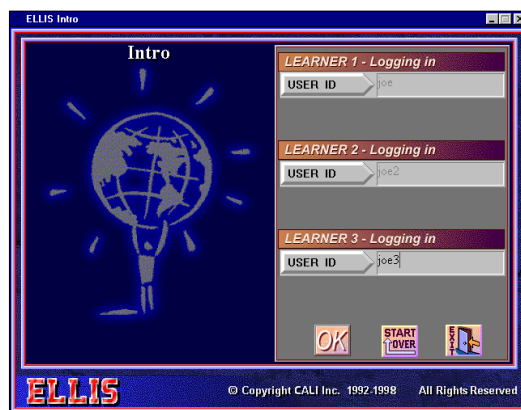
ELLIS Intro is a multimedia program designed to teach basic English survival skills. Learners watch and listen to a variety of social situations. They can stop or repeat a scene and view the text of the scripts as they are acted out. They can also record their own voices for comparison with those of native speakers. In addition, learners can look up words or phrases, study culture, practise their pronunciation, and access grammar taught in each lesson.

The features in this section build on those discussed in the previous sections. If you are new to ELLIS Intro, we recommend that you read the ELLIS Intro section in the previous LINC levels before reading this section.

### Features

#### LOGGING-IN MORE THAN ONE LEARNER

Up to three learners can log-in on one computer for the same session. This is useful when learners work together on role-plays. Since only names that have been entered in the Instructor Utilities student database can be used in this feature, we suggest that you enter some generic User ID in the database for each computer. For example, you could enter joe2 and joe3.





#### ROLE-PLAY

Role-Play can be opened by clicking the Role-Play icon. This feature can be used by a single learner or up to three learners. Each user's name appears in the user box and learners select a character to play, by clicking on a character's name.



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Clicking on the arrow takes the learner to the role-play video and dialogue. The video plays until it is the learner's turn to speak. It then freezes and the learner's text appears under a picture of the character, as well as the recorder controls, prompting the learner to read and record his or her lines. Learners continue with the next lines in the script by clicking on the arrow until the dialogue is finished. They can then watch the original video with the original voices again by clicking , or listen to the video with their own voices by clicking .

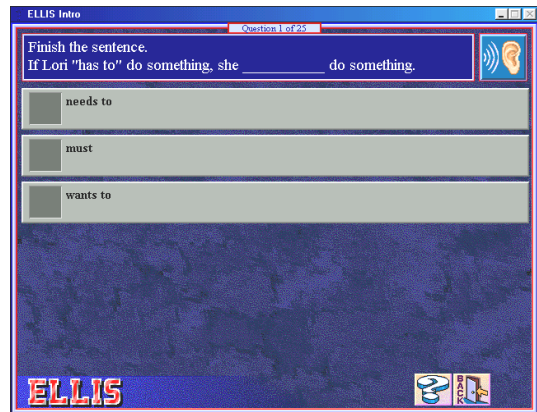


## TESTS

The tests for each theme, which can be accessed on the Main Menu, contain 25 questions that combine the grammar, vocabulary, and culture objectives of the theme. Learners do not receive feedback. Their choices are marked and incorrect answers are not rejected in drag-to-the-blank questions.

Learners cannot change their answers in multiple choice or drag-to-the-blank items. Since there is more than one correct answer in the multiple selection and matching questions, learners must click on the **OK** button to finalize their selection and move to the next question.

Tests are scored in percentages. Three test scores are kept in Instructor Utilities: the first, the last, and the highest score. The learner's most recent score for each theme appears on the Main Menu. The test may be terminated by clicking on the **Back** button. Items left undone are counted as incorrect.



### How to use ELLIS Intro with LINC Three Learners

At this level, learners need to have mastered the skills described in previous LINC levels. If your LINC Three learners are not familiar with ELLIS, we recommend starting them at lower skill levels. Make sure they know how to access all the different activities associated with each theme. Remind them about the Help feature that may be available in their language. It is a useful tool for recalling what the icons are for.

Reproduce the conversations from the themes so learners can practise them later. The dialogues, as well as activities for each theme, are available in the Intro Instructor Guide. There is both an Instructor Guide and a Learner Response Book available for each level in the ELLIS program. Every LINC centre should have a copy of these books. Another method of getting the script is to make a screen capture of the script. Open ELLIS Intro to the script you want. Press the **Alt** and **Print Screen** keys together. Open Word and click **Paste** to copy the image of the screen into a Word document.

Have learners make up variations on the dialogues and act them out for the class. Assign oral assignments associated with the videos, e.g., describing a health emergency, a shopping trip, or giving directions to some place in the neighbourhood.

The curriculum themes provide ideas for other dialogues. Assign oral assignments based on those, and suggest that learners refer to ELLIS Intro. Have learners choose whatever section they want to help them with their scripts.

Use wall charts to review the icons used on the script page and the recorder controls.

Assign a specific theme, lesson, or activity to learners and demonstrate it by having learners gather around one computer. Prepare a progress chart for each theme containing a list of the items you would like them to do and a place to check off when the task has been completed. Print out student reports for learners so they can see their progress (see Before the Levels.)

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## Curriculum-unit-related activities

The following activities tie in with the units specified in the LINC Three Curriculum Guidelines.

Unit	Topic	Ellis Intro Theme
Canadian Society	Environment	Leisure Activities and Social Situations
Commercial Services	Banking	Banking
	Pharmacies	Health Concerns, Lesson 6
	Shopping for Clothing, Household items, Furniture, and Appliances	Shopping for Food and Clothing
	Supermarket Shopping	Shopping for Food and Clothing
	The Telephone System	Finding a Job, Lesson 3
Employment	Job Search	Finding a Job
Family Life	Family Structures and Relationships	Home and Family
Health and Safety	Seeing the Doctor or Dentist and Keeping Well	Health Concerns
Housing	Finding a Place to Live	Family and Home
	Neighbours and Neighbourhoods	Greetings, Introductions, and Goodbyes
Leisure	Leisure Activities	Leisure Activities and Social Situations
	Social Conventions	Greetings, Introductions, and Goodbyes
Transportation	Getting Around by Public Transportation	Public Transportation
	Locations and Directions	Public Transportation

## Skills Checklist for Learners

Skills Level	Function	How to...
<b>1</b>	Open ELLIS Intro	Insert CD, click <b>Start   Programs   ELLIS   ELLIS Intro</b> .
<b>1</b>	Log-in	Type <b>joe</b> or <b>User ID</b> . Press <b>Enter</b> . Click <b>OK</b> .
<b>3</b>	Log-in more than one learner	Type <b>User ID</b> . Press <b>Enter</b> . Type second <b>User ID</b> , press <b>Enter</b> . Type third <b>User ID</b> if applicable. Press <b>Enter</b> . Click <b>OK</b> .
<b>1</b>	Return to the Main Menu	Click <b>Back</b> .
<b>1</b>	Exit ELLIS Intro	Click <b>Exit</b> .




### Mouse Skills

<b>1</b>	Point	Move mouse on screen until the desired area is highlighted.
<b>1</b>	Click	Press and release the left mouse button.
<b>2</b>	Drag	Press and hold the left mouse button while moving the mouse to a new location; release the left mouse button.

### Help

<b>1</b>	Open Help	Click <b>?</b>   Click on an area on the screen.
<b>1</b>	Open Help in learner's language	Click <b>?</b>   <b>Flags</b> icon. Choose a language. Click an area on the screen.
<b>1</b>	Close Help	Click <b>?</b>

### Vocabulary Review



<b>1</b>	Open Vocabulary Review	Click  on the main menu. Click a menu item.
<b>1</b>	Scroll the menu	Click the scroll arrow.
<b>1</b>	See next screen	Click <b>➔</b>
<b>1</b>	See previous screen	Click <b>➔</b>
<b>1</b>	Hear a word	Click 
<b>1</b>	See the Vocabulary Review menu	Click 
<b>1</b>	Close Vocabulary Review	Click <b>Back</b> .

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## Skills

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### Recorder Controls



1	Record voice	Click ●
1	Stop recording	Click ■
1	Play back voice	Click ►
1	Hear ELLIS	Click 
1	Compare voice with ELLIS	Click 

### Script Page

2	Hear a line spoken slowly	Click <b>Turtle</b> . Click on a line of the script.
2	See a video of a line	Click <b>Video</b> icon. Click on a line of the script.
2	Study vocabulary	Click <b>Dictionary</b> icon. Click on a highlighted word.
2	Study phrases	Click <b>Book</b> icon. Click on a highlighted phrase.
2	Study grammar page	Click <b>Grammar</b> icon. Click on a highlighted word or phrase.
2	Study culture	Click <b>Canadian flag</b> . Click on a highlighted word or phrase.
2	Study pronunciation	Click <b>Pronunciation</b> icon. Click on a highlighted word.
2	Watch the video again	Click 
2	Go to the next video segment	Click 
2	Close the script	Click <b>Back</b> .

### Practice Items

2	Open Practice Items	Click  Click the answer.
2	Go to Practice Items menu	Click  Click the desired subject.
2	Go to next question	Click ➡
2	Go to previous question	Click ⬅
2	Close Practice Items	Click <b>Back</b> .

<b>Skills</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>Function</b>	<b>How to...</b>
<b>Games</b>		
<b>2</b>	Play a game	Click <b>Games</b> . Click the squares to reveal clues. Click matching clues.
<b>2</b>	Close a game	Click <b>Back</b> .
<b>Role-Play</b>		
<b>3</b>	Do a role play	Click  Choose a character. Click ➡. When character's script appears, read and record voice using recorder controls. Click ➡ to continue.
<b>3</b>	Watch video with learner voices	Click 
<b>Tests</b>		
<b>3</b>	Take a test	Click <b>Test</b> . Click the answer.
<b>3</b>	Close a test	Click <b>Back</b> .