

*The Literacy Council of Frederick County, Inc.*

**Tutor Training workshop**

**Breakout Room Practice Instructions**

**Conversation Practice Session:** Create and teach a dialog

- Choose a topic:
  - making a doctor's appointment, or
  - meeting the child's teacher.
- Identify two roles (speakers).
- Select 5 to 7 appropriate new words to use and teach.
- Narrow the focus of your topic and write your dialog using only 3 or 4 exchanges.
- Practice teaching your dialog using gestures.

Steps for teaching a dialog:

- Pre-teach new vocabulary if necessary.
- Read or say the whole dialog at least two times while the student listens.
- Teach each line separately. Model each line and have the student repeat it. Repeat this step until the student can say each line.
- Each of you take a role and practice entire dialog.
- Switch roles and practice again.