



# DEVELOPING PRONUNCIATION SKILLS

First Century Christianity  
Volume II

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***Developing Pronunciation Skills*** includes:

- Instructor's instructions for each unit
- Complete texts and scripts
- Learner worksheets
- Master SLIDES
- Activity cards
- CD of all task materials in electronic (Adobe PDF) format

**The Visual Bible: Acts: A Dramatic Presentation of the Birth of Christianity , Part One & Two**

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## INTRODUCTION

### **The Purpose of This Curriculum**

- ◆ *To develop English pronunciation skills*
- ◆ *To learn about First Century Christianity from the book of Acts in the English Bible*

### **Who This Curriculum Is For**

- ◆ adults learners
- ◆ low intermediate learners (Canadian Language Benchmarks 4-6)
- ◆ ESL or EFL settings – Because the Bible represents a historical setting, and is couched in historical Hebrew culture, this curriculum is suitable for either ESL (English as a Second Language) or EFL (English as a Foreign Language) teaching.

### **How This Curriculum Is Organized**

- ◆ *Text-based* – Each unit is built around the DVD of the film production, *The Visual Bible Acts: A Dramatic Presentation of the Birth of Christianity* (Thomas Nelson Bibles) which uses the actual scriptures (New International Version) to enhance the visual and auditory presentation of the text.
- ◆ *Task-based* – Meaning is at the core of language, and each focus has the learners using language in a meaningful way.
- ◆ *Function-based* – Each unit also develops the learners language for every day living. The language learned in class is applicable for use outside the classroom.

### **How Much On-Task Time This Curriculum Provides**

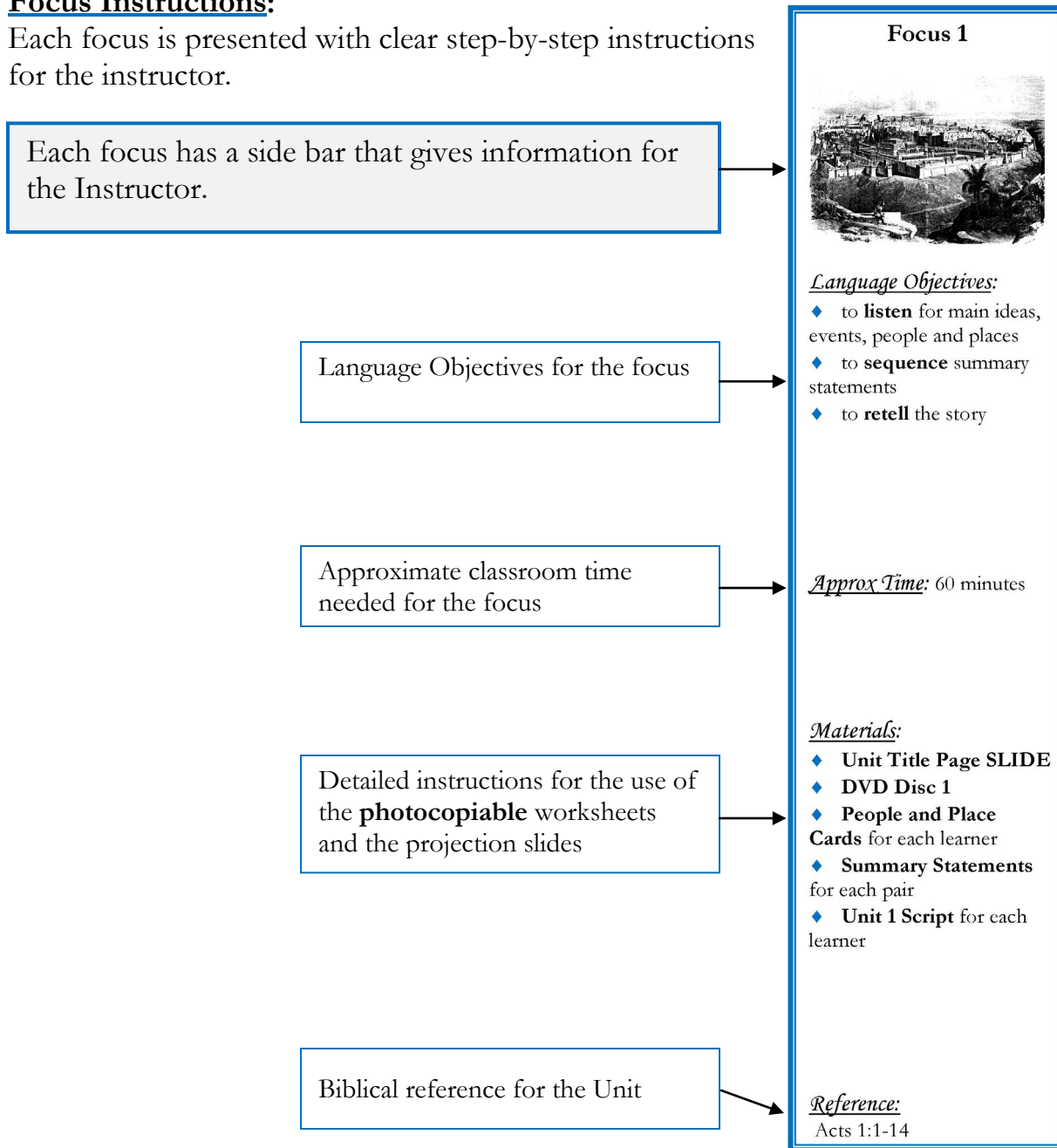
- ◆ whole curriculum 35-40 hours
- ◆ each unit approximately 3 hours of on-task class time
- ◆ each focus varies according to the purpose and task type

**USER GUIDE**

- This curriculum contains twelve units of study with three foci each.
- Each unit covers a section of text from the book of Acts from the English Bible.
- The three foci guide the learners through the process of learning and interacting with the content of the text as well as developing pronunciation skills.
- **The unit is most effective when the foci are done sequentially.**

**Focus Instructions:**

Each focus is presented with clear step-by-step instructions for the instructor.



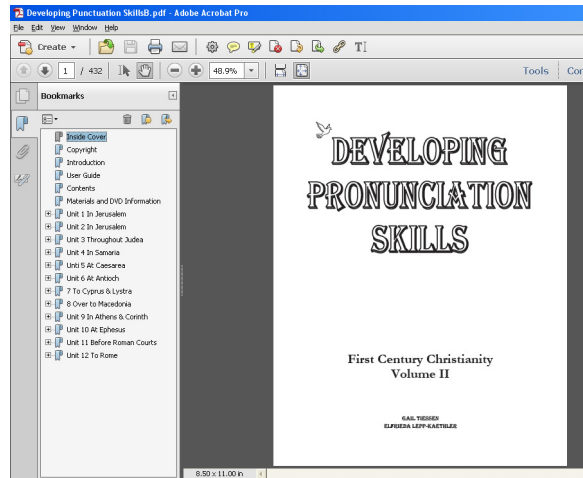
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## MATERIALS AND DVD INFORMATION

### Adobe Instructions for Materials CD:

- Ensure that Acrobat Reader 7 or higher is on your computer. Go to: [get.adobe.com/reader/](http://get.adobe.com/reader/) and click on *Get Adobe Reader*.
- Place the Materials CD into your computer. Open your **Acrobat Reader** program.
- Open the file titled **Developing Pronunciation Skills**. This opens to the **Inside Cover Page** along with a left panel of bookmarks.
- Place your cursor on the **Bookmark panel** (on the left side of the screen) and *click* **Unit 1 In Jerusalem**, to go to the **Unit 1 Title Page** or on the **Bookmark Panel**, place the cursor (↑) on the plus sign (+) and *click* which will drop down a list of additional bookmarks.
- Once on the **Unit 1 In Jerusalem Title Page**, a list of the foci for the unit is visible; *click* any one of the foci and you will immediately go to that focus.
- When on a specific focus, *click* on the **Title of the Focus** and you will return to the **Title Page of the Unit**.
- On the **Content Page**, *click* wherever you see a ‘pointing finger’ and you will be taken to the specific unit.
- This navigation system continues throughout the entire curriculum.
- Whenever your cursor changes from a ‘closed hand’ icon to a ‘pointing finger’ there is a link to another page in the file. The entire curriculum is linked for quick reference in this manner.



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**DVD:** *Insert into any DVD player*

The **DVD** is used in all Focus 1’s. Follow the instructions for starting and stopping that are in the actual script for each Unit. Practice **BEFORE** class to become familiar with the stopping and starting for the different viewing sections for each Unit.