# Developing Grammar Skills

First Century Christianity Volume IV

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# Developing Grammar Skills includes:

- Instructor's instructions for each unit
- Complete texts
- Learner worksheets
- Master copies for SLIDE projections
- Master copy of Activity Materials
- CD of all task instructions and materials in electronic (Adobe PDF) format
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#### **INTRODUCTION**

# The Purpose of This Curriculum

- ◆ To develop English grammar 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

- ◆ <u>Text-based</u> Each unit is built around selected texts from the book of Acts, The Holy Bible, New International Version® NIV®, Copyright©1973, 1978, 1984.
- ◆ <u>Task-based</u> Meaning is at the core of language, and each focus has the learners using language in a meaningful way.
- <u>Function-based</u> Each unit also develops the learners language for every day living. The language learned in class is applicable for use outside the classroom.

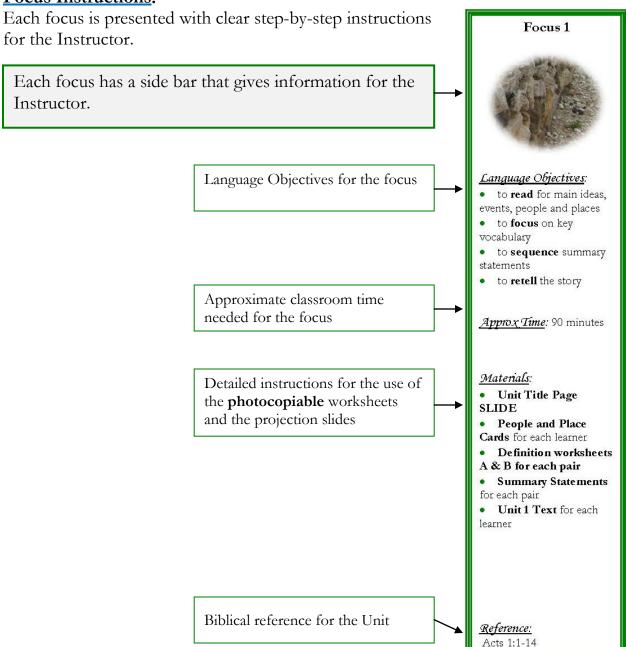
# How Much On-Task Time This Curriculum Provides

- ♦ whole curriculum 40-45 hours
- each unit approximately 3.5 hours of on-task class time
- each focus varies according to the purpose and task type

## **USER GUIDE**

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

#### **Focus Instructions:**



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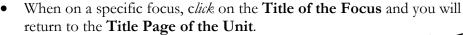
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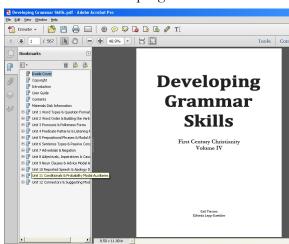
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- Once on the Unit 1 Word Types & Question Formation Title Page, a list of the foci for the unit is visible; *click* any one of the foci and you will immediately go to that focus.



- 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.
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