



# *Literacy Volunteers of America*

## *Essex & Passaic Counties*

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### **Tutoring in Today's World**

*Presenters, Karen Cardell, Amy Mahoney, Ann Moore, Mary O'Connor*

*Platform: Zoom*

*Thursday, June 4, 2020, 11:00 am - 11:40 am*

#### **Presenters' biographies:**

Karen Cardell earned a B.A. in Classics and Latin, an M.A. in Law and Governance both from Montclair State University. In between her bachelor's and master's degrees, she earned a teaching certificate. Karen's favorite "job" is being an LVA tutor and soon she will become a Tutor Trainer for LVA.

Whether it was in her working life at Coldwell Banker where she began as an agent, then promoted to branch manager where she was a trainer, or at the Bloomfield Public Library with her cadre of students, Ann Moore, LVA tutor and Tutor Support Workshop presenter has always had a knack for helping students learn. Ann's lesson plans and her computer skills to execute her plans are to be rivaled by many.

Amy Mahoney has been an LVA tutor for almost four years. During that time, she has tutored many students that she has helped reach their goals and aspirations. She took a hiatus from LVA to teach ESOL in Poland. Amy brought back with her a new understanding of living in a country where one is not familiar with the native tongue. She earned her certificate in teaching English from the New School in 2018. Amy began as a volunteer ESL teacher over 5 years ago at the Elizabeth Coalition for the Homeless. Prior to joining LVA, Amy held a long standing position as a therapist.

Mary O'Connor is a tutor, trainer, and Tutor Support Specialist with Literacy Volunteers of America, Essex & Passaic Counties. Mary has been an LVA tutor for nearly a decade. Most of Mary's students were highly educated in their native countries and eventually leave LVA to realize their dreams of earning gainful employment in the United States. Mary is a former principal at Marylawn of the Oranges Academy where she began as an English teacher.

#### **Workshop description:**

Tutoring in Today's World is the first in what will hopefully become a successful platform for Tutor Support Workshops Literacy Volunteers of America is hosting to help our tutors convert their instruction to distance learning. This workshop will showcase four of our veteran tutors to include Karen Cardell, Amy Mahoney, Ann Moore, and Mary O'Connor who have successfully made this transition. They will briefly share their experiences, tools, successes, and challenges. Then, it is your turn to share your best practices, worst nightmares, or just sit back and listen. Our objective is to provide you with practical information as you implement distance learning with your students. We hope to "see" you there!