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## Kinseido - In Focus: A 4-Skills Vocabulary & Critical Thinking Course

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This session introduces a new 4-level, 4-skills EFL course that develops students'critical thinking skills while systematically improving their knowledge of essential high-frequency words with both in-text and online learning tools. Utilizing two keyword lists from the New General Service List Project (www.newgeneralservicelist.com), Levels 1, 2, and 3 help students master essential general English vocabulary in the NGSL (New General Service List), while Level 4 focuses on teaching academic vocabulary in the NAW (New Academic Word List). Each word list in the NGSL Project is corpus-based and pedagogically driven, providing the highest coverage in the world for that genre for second-language learners of English. The In Focus series of student books utilizes various techniques to develop students'critical thinking skills, including exposure to multiple points of view, specific skill development activities, and the use of authentic "political cartoons."Participants will get a chance to see and use activities from the book as well as the many and varied online learning tools we have developed.

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