

New life

New language



The history of the Adult Migrant English Program

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Cover photo: *Migrants arriving in Sydney*
Photo by David Moore, 1966

Back cover photos (from top right, clockwise):

Learning on the high seas, 1955: From 1948, the AMEP provided English language classes on board ships en route to Australia. These students have an English lesson on board the Italian liner *Fairsea*.

Distance learning, 1995: This student studies English through the AMEP's distance learning course, *It's over to you*. Distance learning enables students who cannot attend classes to learn at home, thereby overcoming barriers imposed by geographic location, work or family commitments or cultural factors.

AMEP classroom, 1991: These students participate in an 'on arrival' class in Canberra using 'accelerative learning' techniques. Lessons featured the presentation of material in innovative, non traditional ways – through energetic game playing, activities and relaxation exercises – making information easier to absorb, understand and remember.

English in the workplace, 1975: An outdoors class within the Australian Iron and Steel complex at Port Kembla. Course participants included migrants from the former Yugoslavia, Portugal, Spain, Turkey and Italy.
