

Istanbul Gelişim University

# School of Foreign Languages' Monthly Bulletin

November 2023



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# Latest News of SOFL

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NOVEMBER



- **The proficiency exam results which was held on 26 October were announced on 02.11.2023.**
  - **The proficiency exam 7 was announced.**
  - **Exemption list 7 was announced.**
  - **The proficiency exam 8 was held on November 3.**
  - **The details about the weekend school program were announced.**
  - **The proficiency exam results which was held on November 3 were announced on 15.11.2023.**
  - **Exemption list 8 was announced.**
  - **The proficiency exam 9 was held on November 9.**
  - **Exemption list 9 was announced.**
  - **The proficiency exam 10 was held on November 16.**
  - **03 and 09 November Proficiency exam appeal forms were announced.**
  - **16 November Proficiency Exam 10 Student lists were announced.**
  - **Exemption list 10 was announced.**
  - **9 November Proficiency Exam results were announced.**
  - **16 November Proficiency Exam Results were announced.**
  - **03-09 and 16 November Proficiency Exam Appeal Forms were announced.**
  - **T1 PT Speaking Exam Session Lists were announced.**
  - **Progress Test Session Lists were announced.**
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**November 1st**

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# **World Vegan Day**



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# November 7th

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# November 10th

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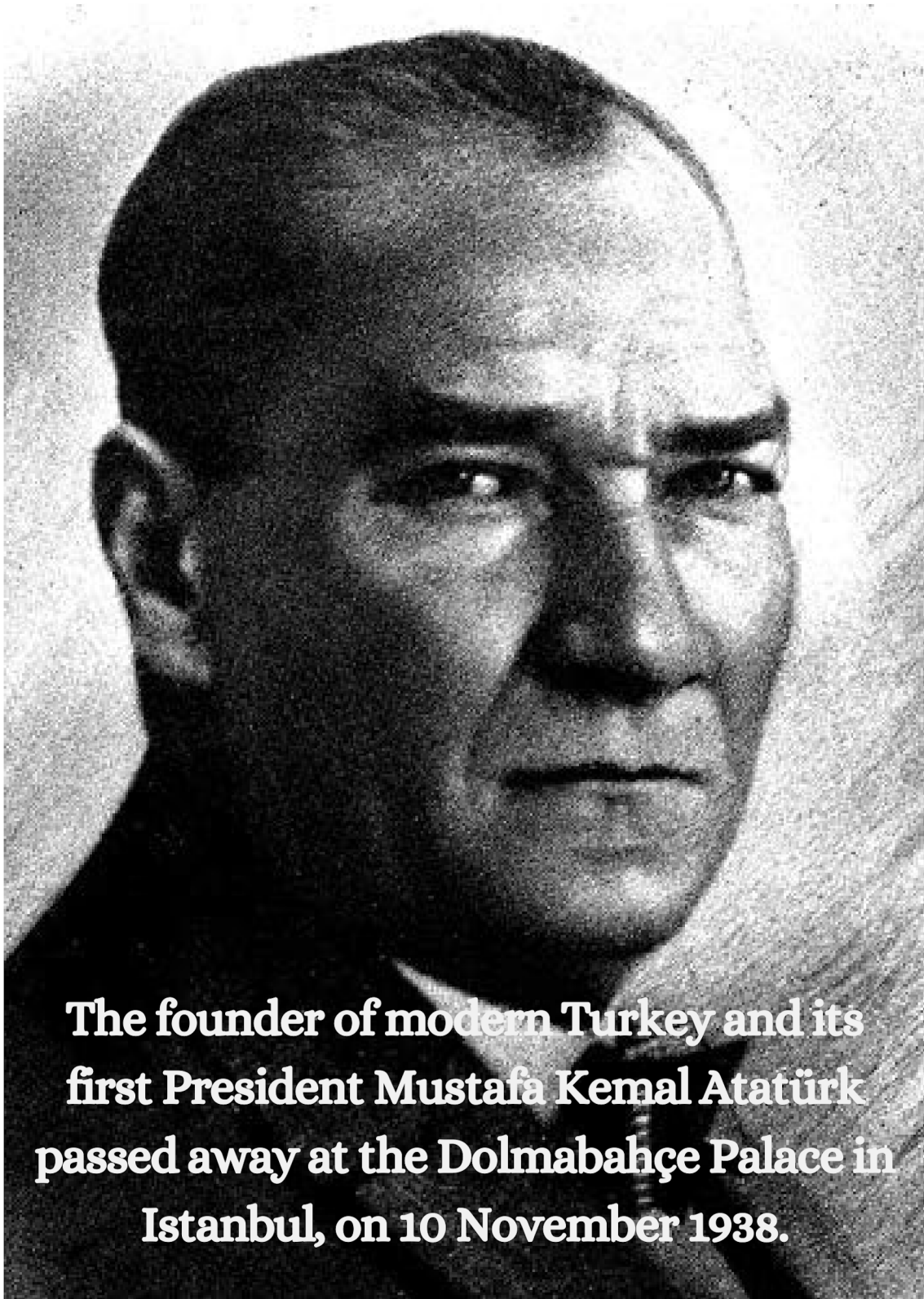
## Atatürk Remembrance Day



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## November 10th

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**The founder of modern Turkey and its first President Mustafa Kemal Atatürk passed away at the Dolmabahçe Palace in Istanbul, on 10 November 1938.**

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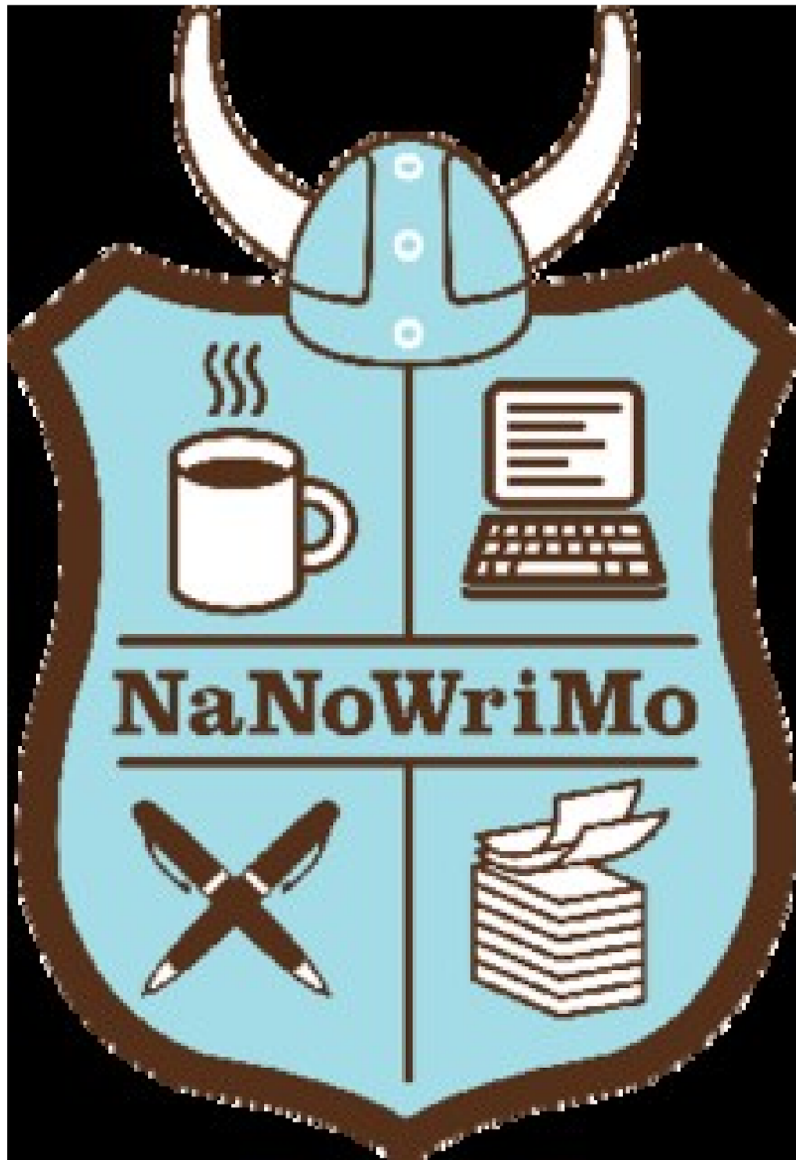
**Every 10th of November at 9:05  
life stops for a moment in  
Turkey.**

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# National Novel Writing Month



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**November 1st-30th**

# **George Eliot and Margaret Atwood**

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**In this National Novel Writing Month, let's take a look at some facts in two novelists' lives who were both born in November.**

**George Eliot**

**November 22, 1819-1880**

**Margaret Atwood**

**November 18, 1939 -**



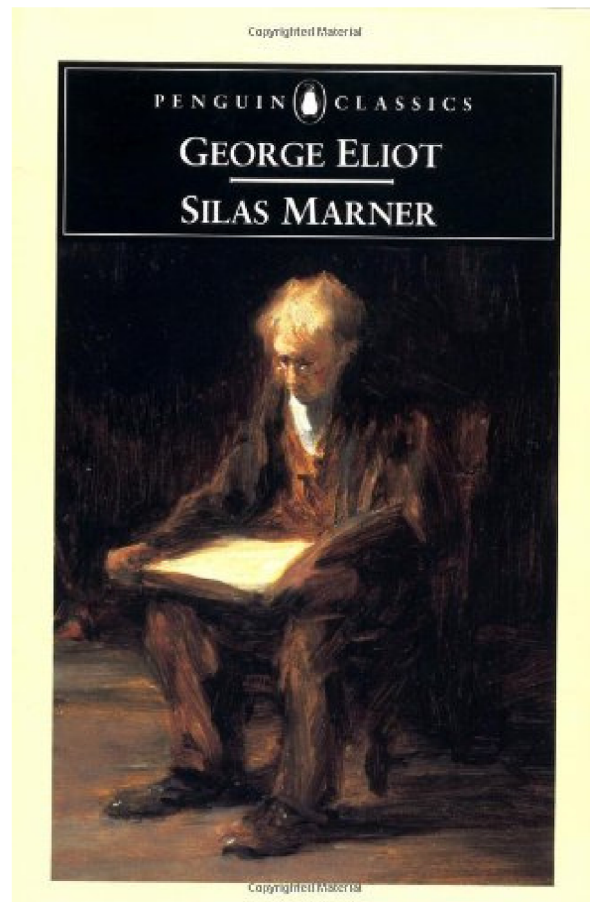
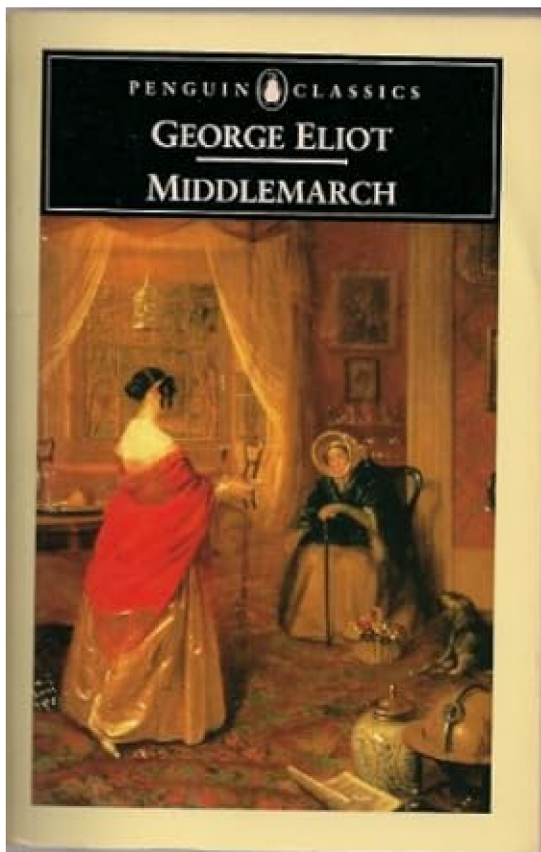
## Some facts about George Eliot



- **George Eliot is her pen name that she took from her partner, literature critic George Henry Lewes. Her real name is Mary Anne Evans: “The place Eliot looks back on is usually the Warwickshire countryside. There, under her real name, Marian Evans, she spent her childhood at Arbury Farm (The Norton Anthology, English Literature).**
- **“She is the first person to refer to modern tennis and ‘pop’ music” Tearle, O. (2015). Five Fascinating Facts about George Eliot. Interesting Literature. <https://interestingliterature.com/2015/09/five-fascinating-facts-about-george-eliot/>**
- **Eliot writes in Victorian Period when women are seen as objects. In contrast to general belief in her era, Eliot introduces readers a strong and independent women like Dorothy in her well-known novel Middlemarch.**


## Some facts about George Eliot

- **Some of her notable novels:**
  - Adam Bede (1859)**
  - The Mill on the Floss (1860)**
  - Silas Marner (1861)**
  - Romola (1862-1863)**
  - Middlemarch (1871-1872)**
- **Some of her novels have been made into Tv series such as Silas Marner (1985), The Mill on the Floss (1997), Adam Bede (1918) and Romola (1924).**



## **Some facts about Margaret Atwood**

- **Canadian poet, novelist, essayist and literary critic Margaret Atwood wrote an opera named Pauline. She wrote the story and the words.**
- **Her famous work The Handmaid's Tale is dedicated to Mary Webster, who was accused of being a witch.**



**Just like Eliot, Atwood longs for presenting an independent woman in her novella The Penelopiad. In contrast to Penelope in Homer's epic Odssey, who is portrayed as 'silent' and 'waiting', Atwood's portraying of her is raising her voice.**

# **Some facts about Margaret Atwood**

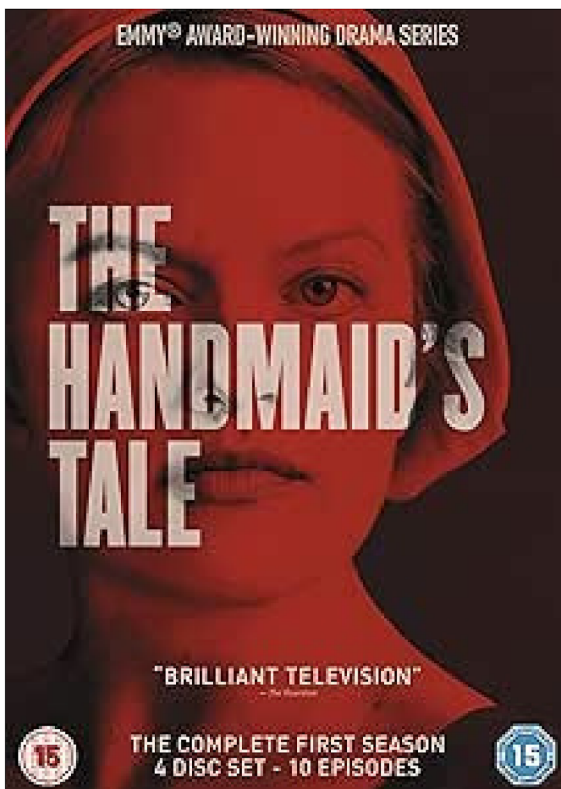
**Some of her best novels are:**

**The Handmaid's Tale**

**Oryx and Crake**

**The Robber Bride**

**Alias Grace**

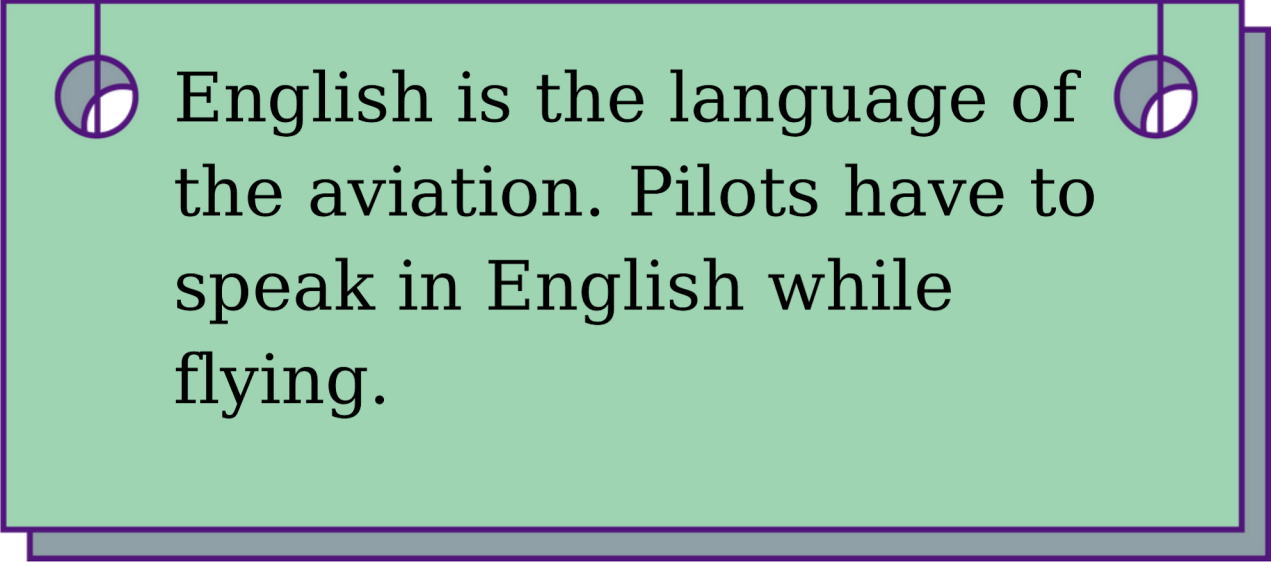


**Just like Eliot's novels, her novels The Handmaid's Tale( 1990) and Alias Grace (2017) have been made into TV series.**

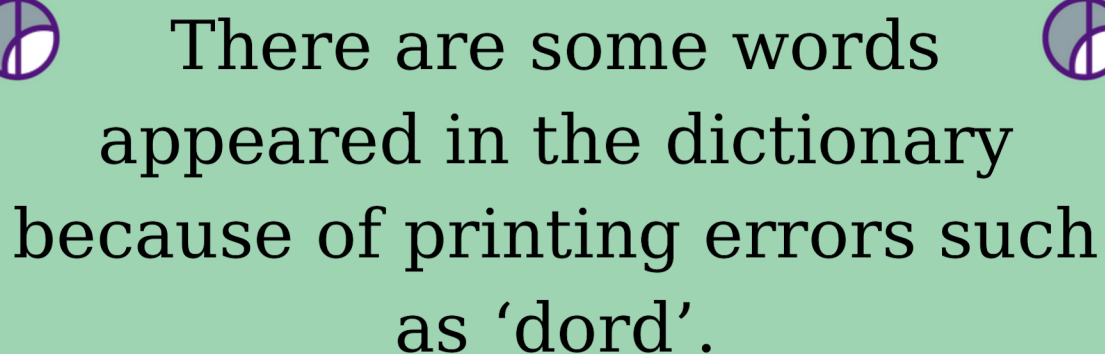
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## Did you know?

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English is the language of the aviation. Pilots have to speak in English while flying.



There are some words appeared in the dictionary because of printing errors such as 'dord'.

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# English Idioms

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## **Break a leg**

To wish someone a good luck.



## **Eat like a horse:**

To eat a lot.





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# English Riddles

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**What has one eye, but can't see?**



**Answer: a needle**

**What can you catch, but not throw?**



**Answer: a cold.**

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# Our Staff's Academic Activities

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In SFOL, we support our instructors' academic endeavors.



## **Webinars**

**Webinars and events take place on a regular basis because the need for being up to date when it comes to teaching in the 21st century, makes seminars an inseparable part of professional development. For a detailed list of webinars on English language teaching, you can visit the following website:**

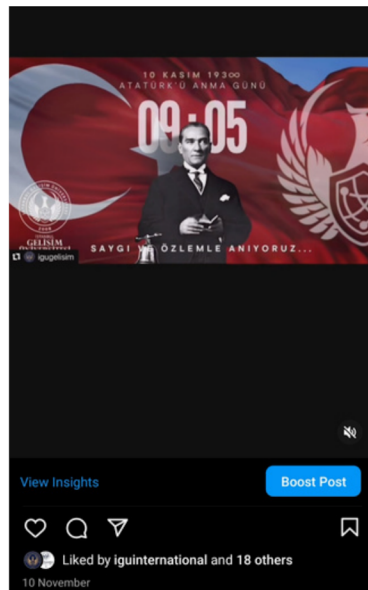
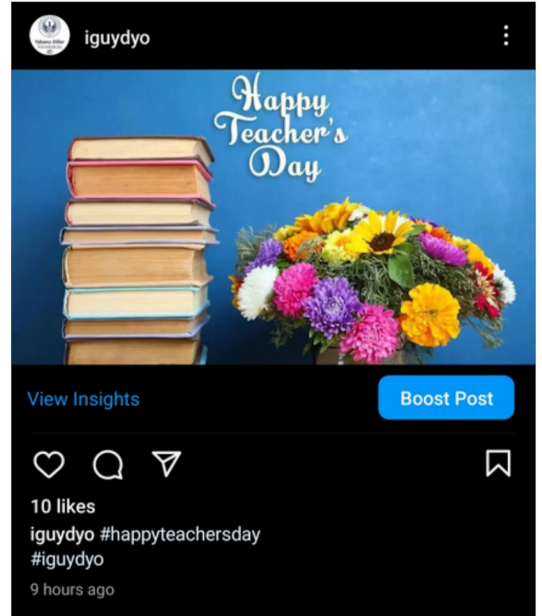
**<https://webinars.eltngl.com>**

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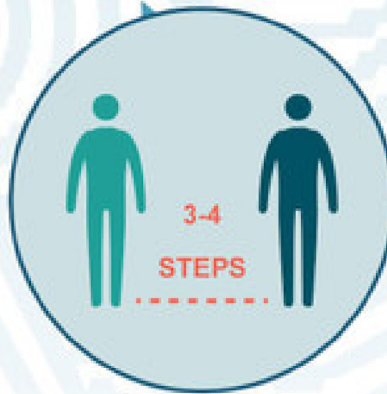




# PROTECTING FROM THE VIRUS IN OUR HANDS



COVER YOUR MOUTH AND NOSE WITH DISPOSABLE PAPER TISSUES DURING COUGHING AND SNEEZING. IF THERE IS NO TISSUE, USE THE INNER SIDE OF YOUR ELBOW.



AVOID CLOSE CONTACT SUCH AS HANDSHAKING AND HUGGING.



AVOID CROWDED PLACES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.



DO NOT TOUCH YOUR MOUTH, NOSE AND EYES WITH DIRTY HANDS.



WASH YOUR HANDS WITH WATER AND REGULAR SOAP FOR AT LEAST 20 SECONDS.



USE HAND SANITIZER IF THERE IS NO WATER AND SOAP.