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teaching overseas. His students have varied from children to middle-aged professors, from clerks to physicians to non-native teachers of English. Whatever the age or profession of his students, he stresses conversation. "The act of talking," he says, "removes the fear of talking." And by removing that fear, the students become fluent. Users say ENGLISH COMES ALIVE is a "must read" for ESL teachers, a book that is packed with ideas, a book that is creative, spontaneous, challenging, and fun. Yes, and it costs little more than a cup of coffee. Coffee gives a one-time boost--but this book will stimulate you and your happy students for years to come.

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*Biographie de l'auteur* Mare's milk drew Dr. Witherspoon to the teaching of English, contaminated mare's milk. A colleague in China drank it, got a temperature of 104 F, and temporarily gave her class to him. He loved it! Thus he later took training in ESL and became a leader of teachers going abroad. As the leader, he collected rousing, easily remembered activities to present to his students and fellow teachers. Here you see the end product--ENGLISH COMES ALIVE! Witherspoon taught biology before English, so his earlier books, audiovisuals, and computer programs are mainly in that field. They include *The Living Laboratory* (Doubleday), *The Functions of Life* (Addison-Wesley), *Human Physiology* (Harper Row), and *From Field to Lab* (TAB McGraw-Hill).