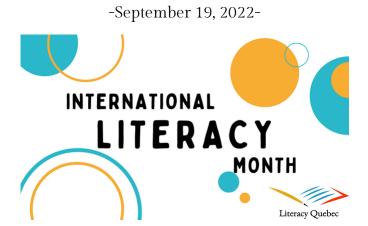
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# Greetings Friends of Literacy!

We are thrilled for you to be reading the first ever edition of our new monthly newsletter! We'll be keeping you posted on what we're up to, promoting events, and giving you fun dates to celebrate.

The Summer months were busy at the Literacy Quebec headquarters. Since May the team has grown in numbers as we welcomed Niamh and Jessica aboard. Niamh is the Community Development, Outreach and Communications Officer and Jessica is the Administrative Assistant.

We hosted our third online AGM in June which had a Summer theme to keep Zoom interesting and engaging! We hope everyone enjoyed their fruity iced-teas and other summery treats. Our Activity Report was very well received and can be found <a href="here">here</a> on our website.

July also saw the launch of our Say What!? video series with Uma Gahd. These short and snappy language tips and tricks videos were very popular across our social media platforms. A few more of our activities are below along with upcoming events, resources and the Job Board. If you enjoy our Newsletter, please share it within your networks to help us reach a larger audience with our resources and literacy advocacy.



# September 8th - International Literacy Day

A day that is near and dear to our heart! UNESCO first declared September 8 as International Literacy Day in 1967. Since then, celebrations have taken place all around the world. In honour of this special day, Literacy Quebec distributed free books in our neighbourhood. We also sent out stickers to more than 140 people across the country!







# Meeting with the Federal Government

Literacy Quebec participated in three of the Federal government's consultations for the Renewal of the Official Languages Action Plan. Our Executive Director, Margo Legault, took the opportunity to reiterate the importance of providing informal and non-formal learning spaces as well as lifelong learning opportunities for the Englishspeaking communities of Quebec to break isolation and contribute to their vitality.





## First Book Canada



On August 23, Literacy Quebec participated in a pop-up book giveaway from <u>First Book Canada</u>. We picked up over 260 books to share with our communities across the province. Thanks First Book Canada!

And we even bumped into some friends at the pop-up!

If you know of an organisation that could benefit from some YA literature, get in touch with our team at info@literacyquebec.org

## **Events**

We're teaming up with <u>Éducaloi</u> to provide free legal information workshops to learners, staff and the general public. Éducaloi is an organization based in Montreal that strives to explain legal matters in plain, everyday, understandable language. We're so excited to be working with them for a second year!

#### FRAUD WORKSHOP

Wednesday Sept. 21 at 11am via Zoom

Led by Richard Goldman and Valérie Thibodeau, this workshop discusses common scams and frauds, how to protect yourself, and how to report them. We will also briefly discuss the difference between a protection mandate and a power of attorney. Participants will also hear about best practices and how to avoid risks to finances. *This workshop is open to all.* 





This event is made possible with the financial support of the Secrétariat aux relations avec les Québécois d'expression anglaise.

## Job Board

#### Volunteer Treasurer, Literacy Quebec

https://charityvillage.com/jobs/volunteer-treasurer-position-remote-in-quebec-ca/ Deadline: September 30, 2022

### Resources

Elections Quebec has released a simplified guide and poster that shows voting steps. It's great for anyone who is unsure about how the whole process works. It explains, with clear language and graphics, exactly what you'll need, what the ballot will look like and what you do at the polling station. This is great for anyone who is unsure or nervous about the whole process.







## Literacy Helpline

The Literacy Helpline **(1-888-521-8181)** is also available to anyone who might want help with the elections process.

Our volunteers are here to help!

# **Upcoming Dates**

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September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)

October - <u>Health Literacy Month</u> October 3 - <u>Election Day - Quebec</u>

Wishing you all a very happy September! Be sure to check out our social media to keep up to date on all that's happening.

Until next month!

The Literacy Quebec Team



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