ASL Semantics: Brushing Up!

Ready to refine your interpreting skills and move beyond English-influenced signing? This webinar offers a hands-on exploration of ASL semantics, emphasizing the visual imagery and grammatical principles unique to ASL. Participants will gain strategies to make meaning-driven choices that align with Deaf-centric communication.

Educational Objectives

Participants will:

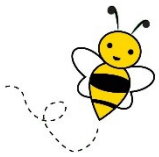
- Analyze distinctions between English-influenced signing and authentic ASL usage
- Select conceptually accurate signs guided by semantic clarity
- Apply ASL grammatical principles to strengthen interpretation choices

Activities:

- ***Group Activity***: Divide participants into break-room groups to practice the skills from the PowerPoint presentation. Each participant will demonstrate their skills.

- ***Participant's Skill Practice*:** We will discuss ASL dialects, language registers, and comparisons between English-influenced signing & ASL. Each participant will demonstrate examples.

- ***Incorporate Q&A*** throughout the session.

- ***Hands-on Practice*:** Encourage participants to demonstrate their skills and focus on signing and voicing the meaning, instead of using English word-by-word translations.

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