

English as a Second Language – All Levels

Take a Step Back in Time

Students of ESL enjoy an illustrated talk on the changing history of the neighbourhood. The location of Toronto's original City Hall and since 1803 the site of a Saturday Farmers' Market, has undergone many modifications over the past two centuries. Today, the market is an animated centre that wonderfully combines the traditions of the past with the tastes and flavours of contemporary, multicultural Toronto.

A two-part activity is available for intermediate to advanced students. Students will use their listening, reading and writing skills to complete a history of the neighbourhood and market. Afterwards students must communicate and interact with merchants to learn more about the market.

Length: presentation 20 minutes, presentation and activity sheet 45-60 minutes.

A vocabulary sheet is available upon request.

Call the gallery to arrange a visit appropriate for your group. Maximum 30 students. This program is free.

Lunch space available.

The Market Gallery offers changing exhibitions dedicated to Toronto's history, art and culture as well as educational programs for school groups and adults. Located inside the South St. Lawrence Market, in Toronto's oldest neighbourhood, the main gallery occupies the 19th century city council chamber which is all that remains from the City Hall that stood on this site from 1845 to 1899.

Admission is free to the Market Gallery on the second floor of the South St. Lawrence Market, 95 Front St. E. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Friday 10 am – 4 pm, Saturday 9 am – 4 pm and Sunday 12 pm – 4pm.