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From the editors

Dear TESL-EJ Readers,

The last issue of Volume 21 has articles touching on all four skills and has much to offer the classroom teacher, the teacher trainee and the teacher trainers.

As mentioned in the previous issue, we are trying hard to speed up the submission process. The five articles that you find in this issue took between three and eight months from submission to acceptance. We hope to make the editorial process even more responsive in the future.

To do so, we still need more reviewers. If you are interested, please send your CV to editor@teslej.org and we will provide information on how to go about registering yourself. Our current policy calls for three acceptable reviews within a period of two years to be listed, and to maintain your listing, on the Board of Reviewers.

We are also in need of one or more "copyeditors" who edit accepted articles for publication for the forthcoming issue. This position requires talented people with editing experience. If you fit this definition, we would love to hear from you!

We would like to welcome some new members to the TESL-EJ team. Brett Reynolds, Jeffrey Brown and Eli Hinkel have joined as "shepherders" (co-editors) while William S Pearson, who has an article in this issue, has become a copyeditor. Welcome!

According to Thomas Farrell, editor of the Special Issue on "second language teacher education", he has received over twenty abstracts. We may have to postpone the issue until February 2019 to allow sufficient time to process all of those finally accepted for the issue.

We are pleased to announce the publication of a second edition of Dale T. Griffee's excellent resource book: An Introduction to Second Language Research Methods: Design and Data, 2nd Edition. You'll find lots of really helpful information about research design, written in very accessible language. <u>Visit our Books page</u> to download a free PDF of this book, or any of our other books. A paperback version will be available on Amazon.com, and a <u>Kindle version</u> is available now.

Finally, our submissions system was upgraded in January, and is now a bit more user-friendly, although a few bugs remain. We look forward to upgrading to the next release of the Open Journal System (OJS) soon.

Happy reading!

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