

## Unlocking the Door to a Fuller Life in the U.S.

Christian and Karen



Christian moved to the U.S. with her husband Ernesto in 2005 knowing virtually no English. She needed to communicate with her children's teachers, doctors and other professionals. She also desired to get a job.

Karen, an elementary school teacher with more than 20 years of experience instructing adults in English literacy, became Christian's tutor.

In the three short years since the two women started working together, Christian advanced to the point where she understands about 90 percent of what is said to her. She can easily converse with doctors, teachers and other English speakers. She also passed her driver's license exam, and secured a part-time job. Christian is now thriving in her new life in the U.S.