**Dialogue Journal**

Written conversations in which a learner and teacher communicate regularly (daily or weekly) over a set period of time. Learners write as much as they choose on a wide range of topics and in a variety of genres. Students write about their experiences and read their teacher’s responses.

**How to Use:**

1. Dialogue journal medium is chosen (paper, notebook or electronic).

2. Teacher determines the frequency of writing and schedule of writing.

3. Teacher determines the duration of time that students will write.

4. Teacher provides writing instructions and topic.

5. Relax and enjoy writing.

**When to Use:**

This is a non-threatening writing allows students to practice writing and reading skills. This technique provides Dialogue journals extend contact time with learners of varying language, ability and interest levels. This strategy can also be used to assess learner needs and overall progress.

**Variation:**

Write the dialogue using a shared document such as google docs.