

How to Increase Reading Skills in the Virtual Classroom Incorporating the CASAS Reading Standards

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A Brand-New World...

- Last year the adult education world migrated a majority of services to distance education and virtual classroom environments
- As we move forward and make decisions about maintaining some or all of these distance education services, we need to continue ensuring quality education

Agenda

- Provide information to assist adult ESOL teachers maximize classroom instruction
- Review CASAS Competencies and Reading Content Standards
- Identify CASAS Task Areas
- How to use TOPSpro Reports to Target Instruction

Models of Learning

- Blended

In-class and online instruction as part of a collective whole

- Hybrid

Both an online and in-class teaching, but the work students complete online may not be directly aligned to what happens in the classroom

Synchronous Learning

- ❑ Synchronous learning is the kind of learning that happens in real time.
- ❑ Learner and the instructor interact in a specific virtual place, through a specific online medium, at a specific time.
- ❑ Synchronous online learning include video conferencing, teleconferencing, live chatting, and live-streaming lectures.

Source: <https://thebestschools.org/magazine/synchronous-vs-asynchronous-education/>

Asynchronous Learning

- ❑ Asynchronous learning happens on the learners' schedule.
- ❑ Instructor or degree program will provide materials for reading, lectures for viewing, assignments for completing, and exams for evaluation.
- ❑ Learner has the ability to access and satisfy these requirements within a flexible time frame.
- ❑ Asynchronous online learning include self-guided lesson modules, streaming video content, virtual libraries, posted lecture notes, and exchanges across discussion boards or social media platforms.

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Are you currently doing asynchronous or synchronous instruction?

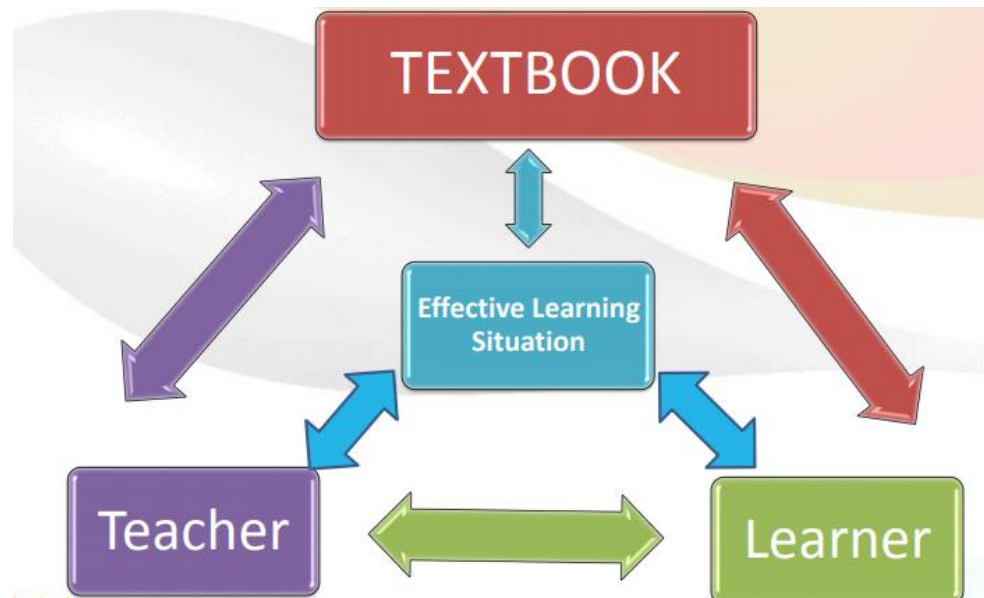
Just a Thought...Why books?

- Do you think it is important for students to have a book in a virtual classroom?
- Do your students have a book when they attend a virtual session?

RESEARCH

- **Books** can improve the **student's** ability to think, and they are able to find the solution to problems
- Reading **books** can build the understanding and awareness of **students** in different situation
- **Books** boost the confidence of **students**
- **Books** develop analytical skills

EFFECTIVE USE OF TEXTBOOKS



DIGITAL READING

- Is “digital reading” really the same as reading a print text?
- Do we use the same kinds of skills?
- Do we comprehend the texts in the same way?

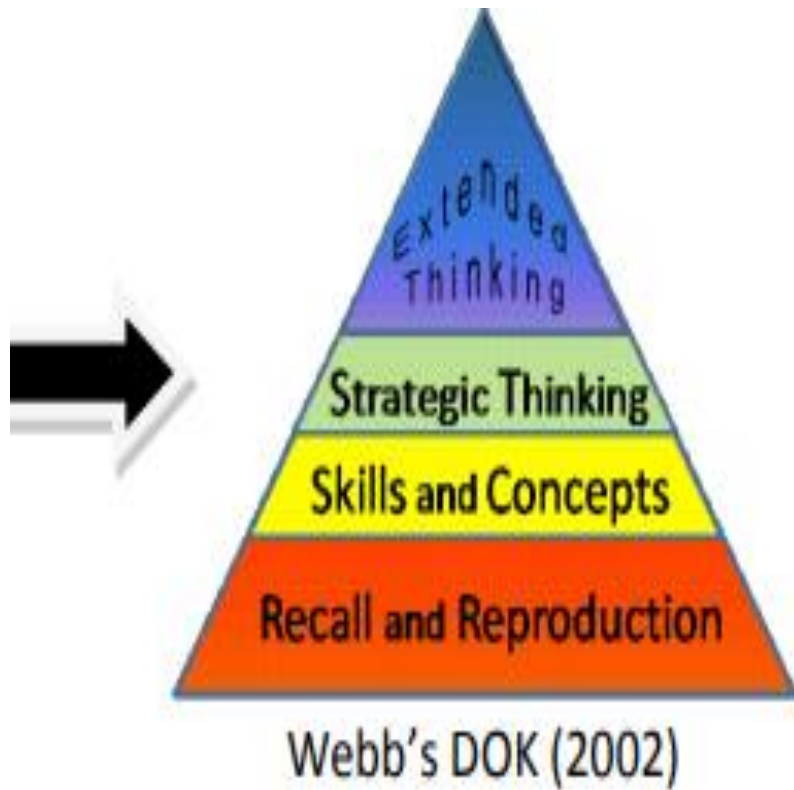
Sample Activity

- Select two short texts, one print and one digital. Ask students to read both. Put the learners into small groups and give them the following sentence stems:



- Learners complete the sentences in as many different ways as possible, drawing on their experience of reading the texts used in the lesson and also their wider experience.
- Each group reports back its ideas.

Depth of Knowledge (DOK)



- **Recall and Reproduction**

(recall a fact, information, or procedure)

- **Skill/Concept**

(engages mental process using information or conceptual knowledge)

- **Strategic Thinking**

(reasoning, higher level of thinking)

- **Extended Thinking**

(investigation, planning, complex thinking)

Instructional Considerations When Practicing Reading Activities

- Reading activities require modeling and preparation, such as eliciting prior knowledge
- Vocabulary should be introduced in context and not in an isolated memory exercise
- Keep in mind to use Depth of Knowledge of higher thinking levels, such as understanding, applying, analyzing and evaluating
- Engage students in a mental process beyond habitual responses using information or conceptual knowledge, and complex reasoning

Summary


- Preview Reading - Predicting
- Read to determine what text is saying
- Read again for information
- Read again for meaning

6 Scaffolds for ELs in a Virtual Classroom


- Establish virtual classroom routines
- Increase wait time
- Employ Choral reading and skits
- Use technology to support learning
- Use visual learning support
- Paraphrase content before teaching academic lessons



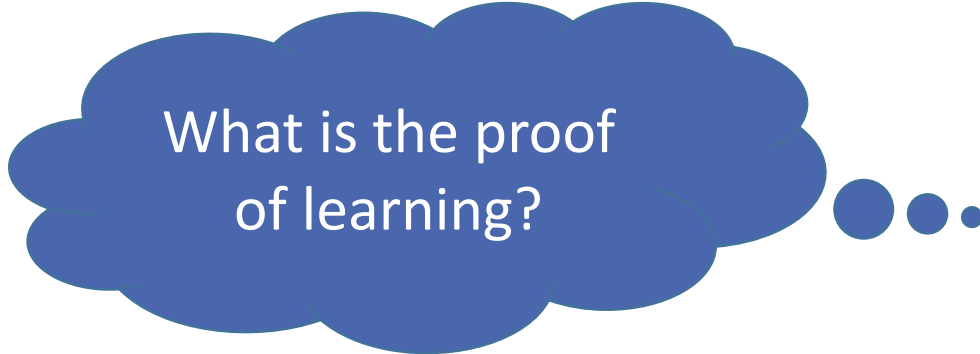
Planning Lessons



What do
learners need to
be able to do?



What standards
can they be
working towards?



What is the proof
of learning?

Planning Lessons

Identifying Types of Activities

- Quizzes
- Teacher questions
- Dictation (T-Ss, Peer2Peer)
- Peer assessment
- Rubrics
- Games (gamification)
- Group projects
- Graphic organizers
- Presentations
- Role plays
- Debates
- Interviews
- Exit tickets



Questions

- What does CASAS stand for?
- Do you use TopsPro reports to guide instruction?

Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment System

What is your knowledge level of CASAS?

- Beginning
- Intermediate
- Advanced



Integrated System Approach



Curriculum

- Basic Skills Content Standards and CASAS Competencies



Assessment

- Reading, Listening, Math Assessments
Paper or computer-based testing (eTests)



Instruction

- QuickSearch Online – free resource to find instructional material titles



Accountability

- TOPSpro Enterprise (TE) – data accountability software to score and track student test scores and generate reports

CASAS ESL Reading and Listening Scores by EFLs

CASAS LEVEL	NRS Levels	Reading and Listening ESL Educational Functioning Levels	Life and Work Reading Score Ranges	Life and Work Listening Score Ranges
A	1	Beginning ESL Literacy	180 and below	180 and below
A	2	Low Beginning ESL	181 - 190	181 – 189
A	3	High Beginning ESL	191 – 200	190 – 199
B	4	Low Intermediate ESL	201 – 210	200 – 209
B	5	High Intermediate ESL	211 – 220	210 – 218
C	6	Advanced ESL	221 – 235	219 – 227
D		Exit Advanced ESL	236 and above	228 and above

https://www.casas.org/docs/default-source/pagecontents/casas-ell-level-descriptors.pdf?sfvrsn=16cad783_20?Status=Master

CASAS test items measure basic language and math skills in realistic, everyday life and workplace contexts.

Test items address:

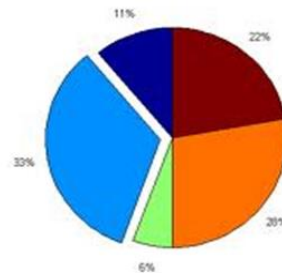
- content standards
- competencies
- task areas

Reading Basic Skills Content Standards by Instructional Level			
Categories		Key to NRS Educational Functioning Levels	
		ENL	ABE
R1 Beginning literacy / Phonics		1 Beginning Literacy	1 Beginning Literacy
R2 Vocabulary		2 Beginning Low	2 Beginning
R3 General reading comprehension		3 Beginning High	3 Intermediate Low
R4 Text in format		4 Intermediate Low	4 Intermediate High
R5 Reference materials		5 Intermediate High	5 ASE
R6 Reading strategies		6 Advanced Low	5 Low
R7 Reading and thinking skills		Advanced High	6 High
R8 Academic-oriented skills			
R9 Literary analysis			

Content Standards

Competencies

CASAS COMPETENCIES
ESSENTIAL LIFE AND WORK SKILLS FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS



Task Areas

Competency

The functional life skills context in which the learning objective is being measured

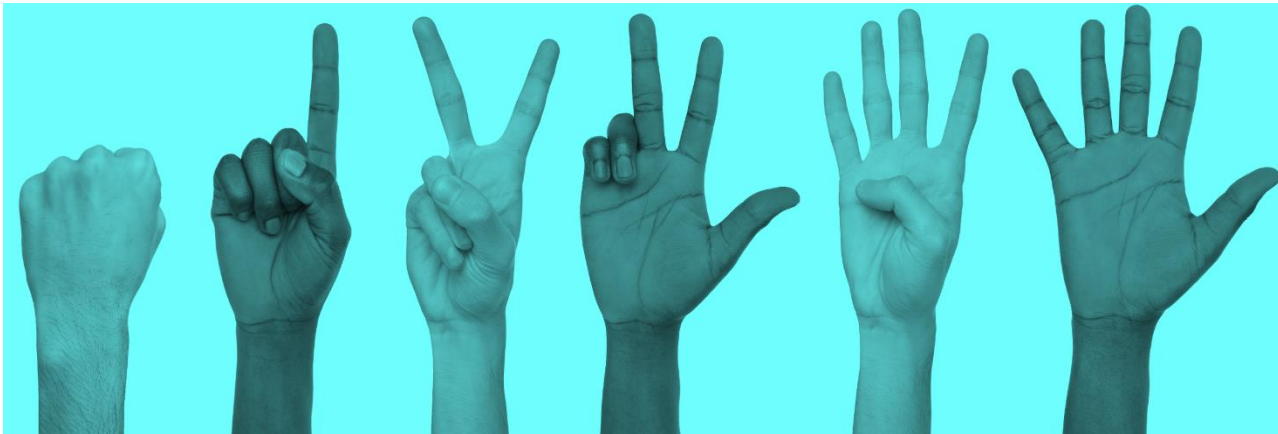
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CASAS Competency Categories

- 0. Basic Communication
- 1. Consumer Economics
- 2. Community Resources
- 3. Health
- 4. Employment
- 5. Government and Law
- 6. Math
- 7. Learning and Thinking Skills
- 8. Independent Living

How would you rate your familiarity with the CASAS Reading (Content) Standards?

- 4 = Extremely familiar
- 3 = Somewhat familiar
- 2 = Have heard of it
- 1 = Not at all familiar



CASAS Reading Standards

CASAS Reading Standards-2016 Second Edition

https://www.casas.org/docs/default-source/research/casas-reading-standards-2016-second-edition.pdf?sfvrsn=36733d5a_2?Status=Master

CASAS Reading Standards

- Reading standards define the underlying basic skills
- Incorporates standards from the College and Career Readiness Standards (CCRS)
- There is generally one or two CCR anchor standards referenced for each CASAS reading standard
- There are 52 CASAS Reading standards in five categories

	Category	Number of Standards
RDG1	1 – Foundational Literacy	9
RDG2	2 – Language and Vocabulary	11
RDG3	3 – Reading Comprehension Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literal Comprehension (DOK 1) • Informational and Literary Text 	15
RDG4	4 – Higher Order Reading Skills (DOK 2 and higher) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational and Literary Text 	11
RDG5	5 – Higher Order Reading Skills (DOK 2 and higher) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literary Text Only 	6
	Total	52

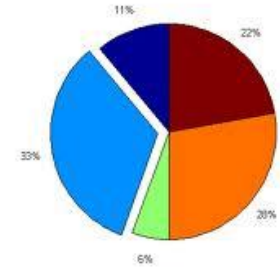
CASAS Reading Standards Example

RDG 2 Language and Vocabulary

ABE/ASE NRS Level				1	2	3	4	5	6
ESL NRS Level		1	2	3	4	5	6		
CS #	Content Standard Instructional Level	CASAS							
		A	A	A	B	B	C	D	E
RDG 2	Language and Vocabulary								
RDG 2.1	Interpret the conventions of standard English including punctuation (e.g., periods, appropriate placement of commas, quotation marks) and capitalization (e.g., at the beginning of a sentence, proper nouns). [L2. A, B, C, D, E]	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
RDG 2.2	Read and interpret high-frequency words, phrases, and abbreviations in everyday contexts (e.g., signs, ads, labels, forms). [L6. A, B] [R4. A]	•	•	•	•				
RDG 2.3	Interpret accurately a range of general academic (e.g., indicate, procedure, evidence), technical (e.g., phlebotomist), and domain-specific words and phrases (e.g., endangered species, peace treaty) in context, including collocations (e.g., count on, happen to). [L6. B, C, D, E] [R4. B, C, D, E]				•	•	•	•	•

Task Areas

Format of the test item prompt



Tasks are how test items are presented. It's important that these tasks are practiced in the classroom.

JOB APPLICATION FORM	
PLEASE PRINT	
Name (Last, First, Middle)	Residence
Address	Telephone
City	State
Zip	
For which job are you applying?	
What will you do if hired?	
Previous job experience:	
Have you ever been fired from a job? If yes, please explain in the space below.	
YES	NO
Signature of applicant	Date
Do not write in the space below:	
Discussed	Date sent to you: Last 1 2 3 4 5 - Other
Immediate supervisor	Teacher Room Manager Secretary

CASAS TASK AREAS

READING TASKS

Task 1: Forms

Task 2: Charts, maps, consumer billings, matrices, graphs, or tables.

Task 3: Stories, articles, paragraphs, sentences, directions, or pictures.

Task 4: Signs, price tags, ads, or product labels

Task 5: Measurement scales, diagrams

LISTENING TASKS

Task 1: Picture/Photo Prompt

Task 2: Comprehension Question

Task 3: Predict Next Line of Dialogue

Task 4: Identify True Statement Based on Prompt

Sample Reading Test Items

↑	ID:	Name:	Practice	1 of 6	➔
<p>Mario has been playing soccer for the last three years. His first game was in Brazil. Now he plays in the United States. He plays with a neighborhood team at a park. He likes to play with the team, but he wants to get a scholarship to play full-time.</p>			<p>Where does Mario play?</p> <div data-bbox="1224 544 1754 658">in Brazil</div> <div data-bbox="1224 696 1754 811">at a full-time</div> <div data-bbox="1224 853 1754 968">at a park</div> <div data-bbox="1224 1039 1754 1153">in three years</div>		



ID:

Name:

Practice

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Monthly Membership Rates

	Resident Discount	Base Rate	Corporate Rate
Youth (3-15 years old)	\$36.00	\$45.00	N/A
Adult (16-64 years old)	\$45.00	\$56.00	\$50.00
Senior (65+ years old)	\$36.00	\$45.00	\$41.00
Family	\$99.00	\$124.00	\$112.00
Family (no child-watch)	\$89.00	N/A	N/A
Military discount— 10% off above eligible fees			

What is the base fee for an adult and the corporate fee for a family?

\$45 and \$112

\$56 and \$112

\$56 and \$124

\$45 and \$99

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CCR Standard: R4.B, C - Interpret words and phrases in a text

CASAS Content Standard: RDG 2.8 - Interpret multiple-meaning words

CASAS Competency: 4.2.4 - Interpret employee handbooks, personnel policies, and job manuals.

Reading Task Area: 3 - Text

<https://padlet.com/vpb4170/5wmz14lezuvfplp7>

Breakout Rooms

- Copy link posted in the Chat box
- Select a scribe (notes in the Padlet)
- Open CASAS Reading Standards
- Select 2/3 RDGs you would include using the sample passage
 - Group 1= Level A
 - Group 2= Level A (2)
 - Group 3= Level B
 - Group 4= Level C
- Notice that many content standards have Task Areas
- https://www.casas.org/docs/default-source/research/casas-reading-standards-2016-second-edition.pdf?sfvrsn=36733d5a_2?Status=Master

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[Night on the Town](#)

[Choosing to Move](#)

[Planning a Trip to the
Store](#)

[Make Your Money
Count](#)

[Getting to Know Your
Doctor](#)

[Smart Shopping](#)

[Get the Help You Need](#)

- <https://www.casas.org/product-overviews/curriculum-management-instruction/low-level-literacy-curriculum-modules>

QuickSearch

- Quick, easy access to database of more than 2,000 instructional materials
- Includes print, audio, video, and software materials
- Correlated to CASAS Competencies and Content Standards
- Search by
 - Title
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 - Program, Level, and Skill
 - Publisher
 - CASAS Assessment



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Instructional Reports

Types of Instructional Reports

- **Score Reports and Test History**
 - Personal Score Report
 - Student Test Summary Report
 - Learning Gains Report
- **Skill Reports**
 - Class Profile
 - Content Standard Performance
 - Competency Performance
 - Individual Skills Profile

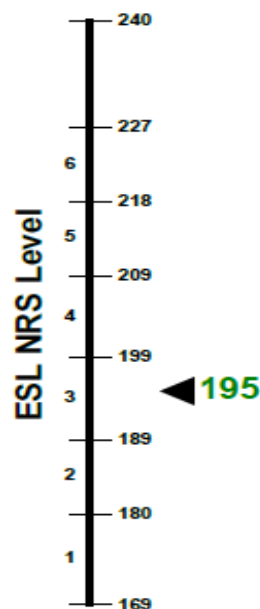
Personal Score Report

by Site

Aniley Alvarez - 576950

Agency:	12679 - Literacy Volunteers Of Collier County	Class:	N/A
Site:	01 - Literacy Volunteers of Collier County	Teacher:	N/A

Modality	Test Form	Test Level	Test Date	Scale Score	NRS Level
Listening	981L	A	12/02/2020	195	ESL Level 3

**ESL Level 3**

Understands simplified conversation on everyday subjects containing frequently used words in context and very simple phrases, spoken slowly and repeated. Understands simple greetings, common social language, and questions about basic personal information. Recognizes very basic sentence structures, and understands simple commands, requests, and warnings related to immediate needs. Frequently requires assistance (rephrasing, explanation, demonstration) to understand basic communication.



Personal Score Report

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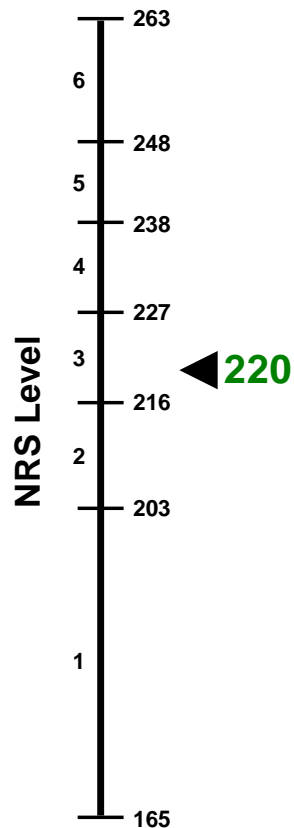
Agency: 4908 – Rolling Hills Adult School

Class: 220 - ABE

Site: (RHAS) 11 – RHAS: North City

Teacher: N/A

Modality	Test Form	Test Level	Test Date	Scale Score	NRS Level
Reading	905R	C	05/05/2019	220	ABE Level 3



ABE Level 3

Understands common vocabulary on familiar subjects. Locates specific information in short familiar text and in ordered lists. Interprets a variety of simple forms in common life and work contexts.

Understands simple written instructions. Understands basic terms in common computer applications.



Student Performance

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by Test & Content Standard

Agency: 4908 – Rolling Hills Adult School (RHAS)

Form: 906R - Reading GOALS Level C

Site: Class: 11 – RHAS: North City

Student: Perez, Maria **ID:** 123456

Course: 61392 - Reading Skills 3

Test Date: 01/06/2019

Teacher: RS3BEE

Raw Score: 19

Scale Score: 220

CASAS Reading Standards (2016)	No. of Items	Correct	Content Standard Description
RDG2.3	4	50%	Interpret accurately a range of general academic (e.g., indicate, procedure, evidence), technical (e.g., phlebotomist), and domain-specific words and phrases (e.g., endangered species, peace treaty) in context.
RDG2.8	3	0%	Interpret unknown and multiple-meaning words as used in the text, choosing from level-appropriate strategies (e.g., sentence-level, paragraph or complete text context, known affix, root words).
RDG3.11	2	50%	Identify the main idea of a simple text or the central ideas or themes of a complex text.
RDG3.12	13	38%	Identify the key details and cite evidence from a text.
RDG3.14	3	100%	Identify the author's purpose including what the author wants to answer, explain or describe.
RDG4.3	2	100%	Determine what a text says implicitly (e.g., make inferences, draw conclusions) and cite textual evidence.
RDG4.4	7	43%	Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text, including time, cause/ effect, sequence (e.g., following multi-step directions).
RDG4.6	1	0%	Analyze how the author's purpose, point of view, opinion, register, tone and voice, including political or cultural perspective, shape the content and style of a text for its intended audience.

Class -- Content Standard Performance Summary



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Class Performance

by Test & Content Standard

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Agency: 4908 – Rolling Hills Adult School (RHAS)

Site: **Class:** 11 – RHAS: North City

Course: 61392 - Reading Skills 3

RS3BEE

Teacher: 521457 - Goldberg, C

Form: 906R - Reading GOALS Level C

Total Tests: 13 **Total Students:** 13

CASAS Reading Standards (2016)	No. of Items	Correct	Content Standard Description
RDG2.3	4	56%	Interpret accurately a range of general academic (e.g., indicate, procedure, evidence), technical (e.g., phlebotomist), and domain-specific words and phrases (e.g., endangered species, peace treaty) in context, including collocations (e.g., count on, happen to).
RDG2.8	3	51%	Interpret unknown and multiple-meaning words as used in the text, choosing from level-appropriate strategies (e.g., context clues).
RDG3.11	2	65%	Identify the main idea of a simple text or the central ideas or themes of a complex text.
RDG3.12	13	57%	Identify the key details and cite evidence from a text.
RDG3.14	3	59%	Identify the author's point or purpose including what the author wants to answer, explain or describe.
RDG4.3	2	58%	Determine what texts says explicitly by comparing details from multiple sources or parts of a text.
RDG4.4	7	52%	Determine what texts says implicitly (e.g., make inferences, draw conclusions) and cite textual evidence.

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ID# 576274

Agency: 12679 - Literacy Volunteers..

Program: ESL/ELL

Most Recent	Form	Date	Scale Score	NRS Level	Form Level	Number of Items			
						Total	Correct	Attempted	
Listening	983L	07/15/2020	200	4	B	38	18	38	
Reading	185R	07/15/2020	215	5	C	38	14	38	

Reading Competencies	N	Correct
Consumer Economics	9	22 %
Community Resources	14	50 %
Health	6	66 %
Employment	20	35 %
Government and Law	6	0 %
Learning and Thinking Skills	1	100 %

CASAS Reading Content Standards (2009)	N	Correct
Vocabulary	21	28 %
General reading comprehension	30	33 %
Text in format	25	44 %
Reference materials	7	57 %
Reading strategies	12	16 %
Reading and thinking skills	4	75 %

Listening Competencies	N	Correct
Basic Communication	16	56 %
Consumer Economics	10	50 %
Community Resources	14	35 %
Health	9	44 %
Employment	12	50 %
Government and Law	1	0 %

CASAS Listening Content Standards (2009)	N	Correct
Phonology	17	47 %
Vocabulary	38	47 %
Grammar	37	48 %
General Discourse	34	47 %
Informational Discourse	13	46 %
Strategies and Critical Thinking	18	66 %

Reading Tasks	N	Correct
Forms	2	0 %
Charts, maps, consumer billings, matrices, graphs, tables	10	50 %
Articles, paragraphs, sentences, directions, manuals	21	28 %
Signs, price tags, advertisements, product labels	5	60 %

Listening Tasks	N	Correct
Comprehension question	11	36 %
Predict next line of dialogue	15	60 %
Identify true statement based on prompt	12	41 %



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Individual Skills Profile Summary

by Site

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Agency: 24908 – Rolling Hills Adult School (RHAS)**Form Level:** C**Site:** 11 – RHAS: North City High School Diploma**Total Tests:** 26**Total Students:** 26**Program:** ABE

Most Recent	Students	Date Range	Mean Score	Mean Number of Items		
				Total	Correct	Attempted
Reading	26	07/13/2018 - 12/04/2018	225	40	24	40

Reading Competencies	N	Correct
Consumer Economics	134	62 %
Community Resources	30	73 %
Health	80	58 %
Employment	566	60 %
Government and Law	230	57 %

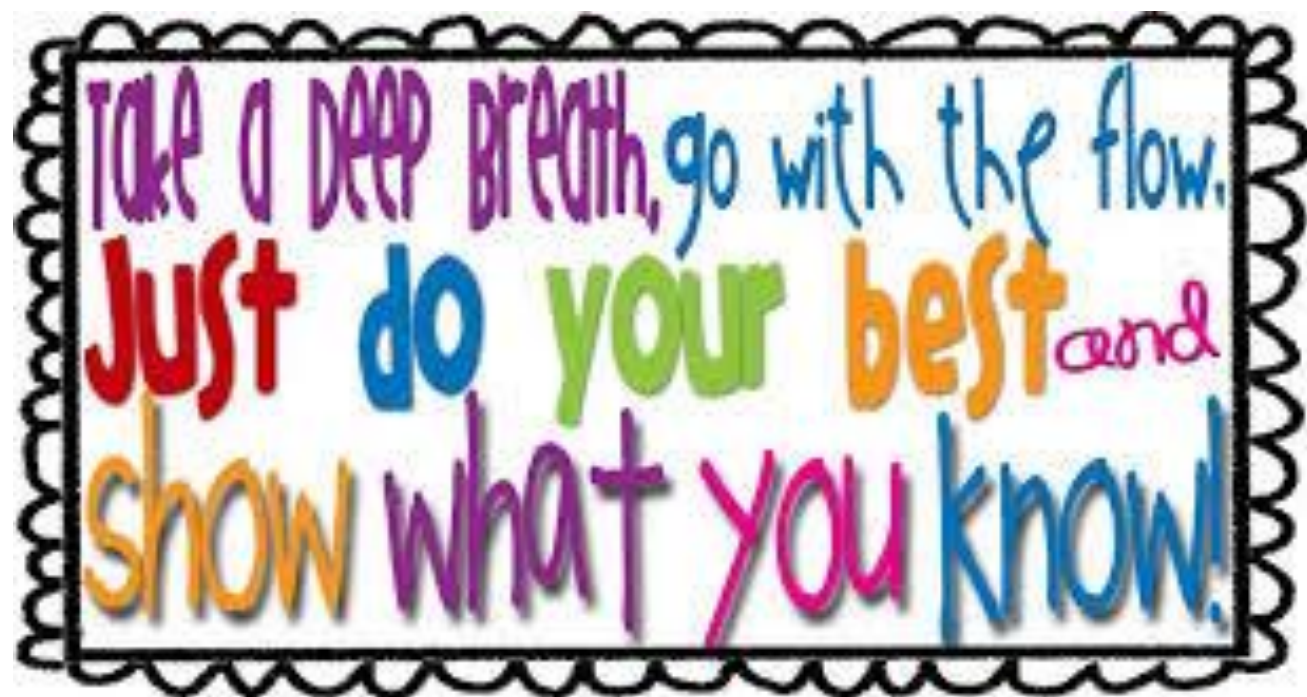
CASAS Reading Standards (2016)	N	Correct
Language and Vocabulary	182	54 %
Reading Comprehension Skills	462	61 %
Higher Order Reading Skills	396	61 %

Reading Tasks	N	Correct
Forms	178	57 %
Charts, maps, consumer billings, matrices, gra...	598	59 %
Articles, paragraphs, sentences, directions, m...	252	62 %
Signs, price tags, advertisements, product labe...	12	75 %

Test Taking Skills

- Give students practice taking a **CASAS** test, this will make future testing go more smoothly; and reduce student **test-taking** anxiety.
- It is recommended to explain to students to avoid guessing. Students should try to answer every question and choose the one best answer. A good strategy instead of guessing is to eliminate one or two answers that might not be correct, and then make an educated selection.

<https://casasportal.org/eTests>





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Links to review

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- LINC

<https://lincs.ed.gov/keywords/distance-education>

- IDEAL Distance Learning

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https://www.casas.org/docs/default-source/pagecontents/casas-ell-level-descriptors.pdf?sfvrsn=16cad783_20?Status=Master

- Approaches to Reading in the Classroom

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