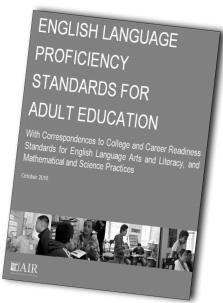
The LIFT for the SHIFTS

Working with the ELPS (English Language Proficiency Standards)



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OUR OBJECTIVES

- Become familiar with the 2016 ELP Standards report
- Consider the 10 ELP standards
- Connect the ELPS to CCRS implementation
- Discuss ways the ELPS may enhance your English language instruction

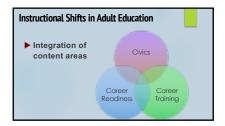
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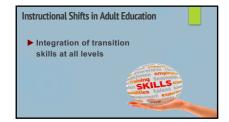
- Complete the T-chart with your colleagues.
- You'll have 90 seconds.
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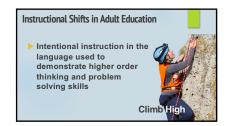
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Remained the same	Changed			

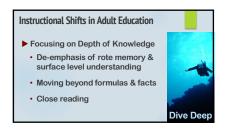
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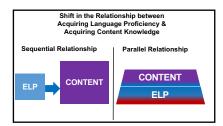
- Star the slides that correlate to the lecture points with which you are already familiar.
- Make notes beneath the slides of anything you want to remember.





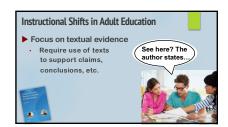






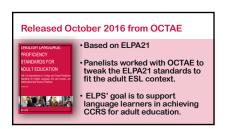




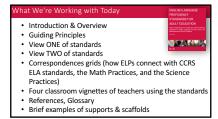












TASK 2: A LOOK AT THE ELPS GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Of these 10 guiding principles, which 1-2 are the most critical?
- Which (if any) are puzzling to you?
- What's one principle you would add?

GUIDING PRINCIPLES (p. 8-10)

- 1. Adult ELLs have the potential to meet state-adopted challenging academic standards.
- 2. Adult ELLs represent a diverse population of learners.
- 3. Adult ELLs' funds of knowledge are a resource for their learning.
- 4. Social language has an important role in ELLs' English language acquisition.
- 5. Three key instructional advances form the basis of state-adopted content standards in English language arts in AE that ELLs must access.
- 6. Adult ELLs must be able to successfully engage with a wide variety of informational texts.
- 7. Scaffolding is an essential tool to facilitate ELLs' acquisition of language and content.
- 8. ELLs with disabilities have specific instructional needs.
- 9. Multimedia technology aligned to ELP Standards for AE should be integrated into instruction.
- 10. Academic language instructions should be incorporated into all content lessons, including mathematics and science.

TASK 3: ANALYZING THE STANDARDS

- Team up with two or three colleagues.
- Take turns: read the standards and determine which category(ies) each belongs in.
- Write the numbers of the standards in the charts.

Chart 1: Categorize the standards under these headings:

productive language	receptive language	interactive language

Chart 2: Categorize the standards under these headings:

content specific	micro-linguistic features

English Language Proficiency Standards for Adult Education

- construct meaning from oral presentations and literary and informational text through level-appropriate listening, reading, and viewing.
- participate in level-appropriate oral and written exchanges of information, ideas, and analyses, in various social and academic contexts, responding to peer, audience, or reader comments and questions.
- speak and write about level-appropriate complex literary and informational texts and topics.
- 4. construct level-appropriate oral and written claims and support them with reasoning and evidence.
- 5. conduct research and evaluate and communicate findings to answer questions or solve problems.
- 6. analyze and critique the arguments of others orally and in writing.
- 7. adapt language choices to purpose, task, and audience when speaking and writing.
- 8. determine the meaning of words and phrases in oral presentations and literary and informational text.
- 9. create clear and coherent level-appropriate speech and text.
- 10. demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English to communicate in level-appropriate speech and writing.

TASK 4: JIGSAW ON VIEW ONE OF THE ELPS

- Use the questions to explore View One of ELP Standard 1 below.
- #1: Which skills are the focus in this standard? Circle them.
- #2: What's the range of abilities covered in this standard? Underline them.
- #3: What connections can you make between the CCR standards, the Math Standards, and the Science and Engineering Standards? Draw lines between them.

ELP Standard 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
An ELL can construct meaning from oral presentations and	By the end of English language proficiency level 1, an ELL can	By the end of English language proficiency level 2, an ELL can…	By the end of English language proficiency level 3, an ELL can	By the end of English language proficiency level 4, an ELL can	By the end of English language proficiency level 5, an ELL can
literary and informational text through level-	use a very limited set of strategies to:	use an emerging set of strategies to:	use a developing set of strategies to:	use an increasing range of strategies to:	use a wide range of strategies to:
appropriate listening, reading, and viewing.	 identify a few key words and phrases in 	 identify the main topic in oral presentations and 	 determine a central idea or theme in oral 	 determine a central idea or theme in oral 	 determine central ideas or themes in oral
	oral communications and simple spoken	simple spoken and written texts	presentations and spoken and written texts	presentations and spoken and written texts	presentations and spoken and written texts
	and written texts.	 retell a few key details. 	retell key detailsanswer questions about	 analyze the development of the themes/ideas 	 analyze the development of the themes/ideas
			key details explain how the theme is	 cite specific details and evidence from texts to 	 cite specific details and evidence from texts to
			developed by specific details in texts	support the analysis • summarize a text.	support the analysis summarize a text.
			 summarize part of a text. 		

when engaging in one or more of the following content-specific practices:

MP1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.	SP1. Ask questions and define problems.
when engaging in tasks corresponding with Literacy Stai	in tasks corresponding with the following CCR English Language Arts and Literacy Standards for AE:
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Reading

CCR Anchor 1: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

CCR Anchor 2: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

CCR Anchor 3: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.

CCR Anchor 7: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.

Speaking and Listening

CCR Anchor 2: Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally

MINI LECTURE ON VIEW TWO OF THE ELPS

Reading Standards

CCR Reading Anchor 8: Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.

CCR Reading 8 Level E

Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; identify false statements and fallacious reasoning. (RI.9-10.8)

Level 3 By the end of English language proficiency level 3, an ELL can with support, explain the reasons an author or a speaker gives to support a claim identify one or two reasons an author or a speaker gives to support the main point.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Level 4 By the end of English cy language proficiency level 4, an ELL can analyze the reasoning in persuasive spoken and written texts determine whether the evidence is sufficient to support the claim cite textual evidence of the support the evidence to support the evidence to support the evidence to support the evidence to evidence to support the evidence
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PRACTICE PLANNING INSTRUCTION WITH THE ELPS

1. READ THE SCENARIO

In the following scenario, an instructor of an Integrated English Literacy (IEL) Civics class is very familiar with the CCR Standards. She wants to support her students in reaching these. She uses View Two of the ELP Standards for AE and the correspondences to the relevant CCR English Language Arts and Literacy to inform her instruction.

IEL Civics Class

Elena's intermediate adult IEL Civics class focuses on speaking and listening skills. The class meets 5 days a week for 1 hour each day. As she is beginning a unit on career exploration, she identifies three key objectives for the unit. They are as follows:

- Conduct a research project on a career cluster and its related jobs.
- Build knowledge of a specific job of interest to the student.
- Present information about this specific job.

As a culminating assignment, Elena will have each student prepare a short oral presentation with a slideshow about a job of his or her choosing. Elena knows that the objectives she has in mind correspond well to CCR Writing Anchor Standard 7 and CCR Speaking & Listening Anchor Standard 4. CCR W7 is: Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. CCR SL4 is: Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

By flipping to View Two of the ELP standards, she sees that ELP Standard 5 corresponds to CCR Writing Anchor Standard 7. She also sees that ELP Standards 3, 4, 5, and 9 provide guidance on the language demands for CCR Speaking & Listening Anchor Standard 4. In particular, ELP Standards 3 and 5 highlight language skills focused on oral presentations and conducting research projects. ELP Standard 3 is: An ELL can speak and write about level-appropriate complex literary and informational texts and topics. ELP Standard 5 is: An ELL can conduct research and evaluate and communicate findings to answer questions or solve problems.

She focuses her attention on ELP levels 2–4 (where her wide range of intermediate students fall) of ELP Standards 3 and 5. Using the level descriptors as a guide, she can easily craft activities with varying levels of challenge for her students. For example, ELP 5 suggests that her lower level students can gather information from provided print and digital sources, record simple notes, and summarize key information. Her higher level students can find their own resources, synthesize information from these sources, and integrate the information into an organized oral or written report.

Elena knows that by basing her lesson ideas on these varying tasks, her students are well on their way to reaching this rigorous CCR Standard. By engaging in the tasks Elena has designed, her adult ELLs are touching on several other CCR Standards for Adult Education. They are also learning about a specific career pathway and gaining confidence in formal communication in English.

2. HIGHLIGHT THE RESPONSES TO THESE QUESTIONS IN THE SCENARIO ABOVE.

- Which view would Elena look at?
- Which standards are addressed?
- Which ELP Level descriptors would Elena select?

3. REVIEW THE CHART ON THE NEXT PAGE.

Sample Instructional Planning Chart (Based on Integrated English Literacy (IEL) Civics Class Scenario from ELPS Page 32)

Lesson Objective: Conduct a research project on a career cluster and its related jobs* **Level**: Intermediate **Level Descriptors:** ELPS 2-4 Writing Anchor 7: Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation **ELP Standard 5** (based on first part of the scenario) An ELL can conduct research and evaluate and communicate findings to answer questions or solve problems **Skill Area Focus** (based on first part of the scenario) Reading/ Writing **Instructional Concerns Identified Skills Sample Strategies** Sample Scaffold Which skills are necessary to What issues might How do instructors support Which strategies do achieve the standard? instructors teach to help impede learners' learning and differentiate instruction to meet learners' needs learners attain the identified progress? skills? and goals? • Form mixed ability groups. Based on Elena's lesson Assign team roles • Break down a project Class is multilevel according to proficiency e.g. into steps/tasks. recorder, artist, researcher, Carry out short reporter individual or shared Use a checklist to research projects. keep track of steps. Research process is • Have students practice complex process step-by-step. • Provide graphic organizers Gather information Use an outline or for main ideas/key details *Learners* struggle from provided print table to take notes. with note taking and model completing and digital sources. information. Review notes and Learners need Organize research • Use think alouds to model delete unimportant support organizing findings. ideas; sequence the their notes into a organizing process. information. report.

^{*}Note: there are two additional unit objectives for this scenario but they are not the focus of this chart:

[•] build knowledge of a specific job of interest to the student and

[•] present information about this specific job.

Writing Standards

CCR Writing Anchor 7: Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

CCR Writing 7 Level E

• Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. (W/WHST.11-12.7)

PRACTICE PLANNING INSTRUCTION WITH THE ELPS (YOUR TURN)

1. READ THE SCENARIO

In the following scenario, an instructor of a low-intermediate English language acquisition class realizes his students might not understand the lesson he originally planned. He wants to adapt it so that the lesson is more appropriate for them. He uses View One of the ELP Standards for AE and the correspondences with the CCR Reading Standards to inform his instruction.

What It Looks Like in Practice

Low-Intermediate English Language Acquisition Class

Carlos organizes his low-intermediate general skills ESL class by themes. This month he is focusing on the local community and characteristics of a good community. His students have learned about places in the community and what you do there. For example, they have talked about banks, schools, the post office, and stores.

Now he's turning his emphasis to improving the community through activities such as a neighborhood watch and block clubs. Students are using the Internet and flyers to conduct small research projects to find out about these activities. At the end of the week students will work in a group to create a poster illustrating different ways that people improve their communities. Then, they will showcase their poster to the class.

Carlos knows that he wants his students to read authentic materials such as websites and flyers about neighborhood activities. However, he also realizes that students may find these materials challenging to understand. To shape his upcoming lessons and assist his students in gathering useful information from the difficult readings, he looks at **View One** of the ELP standards. In particular, he focuses on ELP Standard 1. ELP Standard 1 says *An ELL can construct meaning from...informational text through level-appropriate listening, reading, and viewing.*

Carlos first looks at ELP Standard 1, levels 2–3 (where his students generally fit). He realizes that the objectives of his reading-focused lessons can center on identifying the main topic and a few key details for his Level 2 students. He also sees that his more proficient Level 3 students can be expected to answer questions about key details and summarize part of the text. Carlos also notes that the lessons he's planning to help his students access complex texts correspond to CCR Reading Standards 1, 2, and 7.

2. HIGHLIGHT THE RESPONSES TO THESE QUESTIONS IN THE SCENARIO ABOVE.

- Which view does Carlos look at?
- Which standards are addressed?
- Which ELP Level descriptors does Carlos plan to work with?

2. COMPLETE THE CHART ON THE NEXT PAGE.

Your Turn: Instructional Planning Chart (Based on Low Intermediate English Language Acquisition Class Scenario from ELPS, page 31)

Lesson Objective: Read authentic community materials in order to gather information about local improvement activities and needs.

im	improvement activities and needs.							
Le	Level: Intermediate Level Descriptors: ELPS 2 - 3							
ELPS	ELP Standard 1 An ELL can construct mea	•	ons and literary and in	formational text through level-				
CCRS	RA1: Read closely to determin textual evidence when w RA2: Determine central ideas and ideas.	ding Anchor Standards 1, 2 are what the text says explicitly an writing or speaking to support co or themes of a text and analyze ontent presented in diverse med	nd to make logical inference nclusions drawn from the their development; summ	text. arize the key supporting details				
	Skill Area Focus: Reading							
	Identified Skills Which skills are necessary to achieve the standard?	Sample Strategies Which strategies do instructors teach to help learners attain the identified skills?	Instructional Concerns What issues might impede learners' progress?	Sample Scaffold How do instructors support learning and differentiate instruction to meet learners' needs and goals?				
Based on Carols' lesson	• Identify the central idea or theme in written texts.	 Read the first line in each paragraph. 	Learners often struggle to identify the central idea.	Give wait time when asking questions.				
	• Retell key details.							

View One

View One of the ELP Standards for AE displays each ELP Standard and its Level 1–5 descriptors. It also includes correspondences to the Mathematical Practices (MP) and Science Practices (SP) and the CCR English Language Arts and Literacy Standards for AE.

ELP Standard 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
An ELL can construct meaning from oral presentations and literary and informational	By the end of English language proficiency level 1, an ELL can use a very limited set of	By the end of English language proficiency level 2, an ELL can use an emerging set of	By the end of English language proficiency level 3, an ELL can use a developing set of	By the end of English language proficiency level 4, an ELL can use an increasing range of	By the end of English language proficiency level 5, an ELL can use a wide range of
text through level- appropriate listening,	strategies to:	strategies to:	strategies to:	strategies to:	strategies to:
reading, and viewing.	identify a few key words and phrases in oral communications and simple spoken and written texts.	 identify the main topic in oral presentations and simple spoken and written texts retell a few key details. 	 determine a central idea or theme in oral presentations and spoken and written texts retell key details answer questions about key details explain how the theme is developed by specific details in texts summarize part of a text. 	 determine a central idea or theme in oral presentations and spoken and written texts analyze the development of the themes/ideas cite specific details and evidence from texts to support the analysis summarize a text. 	 determine central ideas or themes in oral presentations and spoken and written texts analyze the development of the themes/ideas cite specific details and evidence from texts to support the analysis summarize a text.

when engaging in one or more of the following content-specific practices:

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when engaging in tasks corresponding with the following CCR English Language Arts and Literacy Standards for AE:

Reading

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Speaking and Listening

CCR Anchor 2: Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

Instructional Planning Chart Template

Le	Lesson Objective:						
Le	.evel: Level Descriptors: ELPS						
ELPS	ELP Standard(s)						
CCRS	CCR Anchor Standard(s	5)					
	Skill Area Focus:						
ive:	Identified Skills Which skills are necessary to achieve the standard?	Sample Strategies Which strategies do I need to teach to help learners attain the identified skills?	Instructional Concerns What issues might impede my learners' progress?	Sample Scaffold How can I support learning and differentiate instruction to meet my learners' needs and goals?			
h Lesson Objective:							
Based on th							

Table C-1. Supports and Scaffolding Recommendations by Level¹³

	ELP Levels 1–2	ELP Levels 3-4	ELP Level 5
Teacher Language and Teacher– Student Exchanges	 Give wait time Use contextualized language about concrete topics Repeat, paraphrase, model, and gesture Use think alouds to model processes and language Give one-step directions Use native language as appropriate Have students demonstrate understanding by pointing or gesturing Concentrate on meaning rather than correctness 	 Give wait time Use contextualized language about concrete and abstract topics Repeat, paraphrase, and model Use think alouds to model process and language Concentrate on meaning rather than correctness 	Model complex grammatical language about both concrete and abstract topics
Materials and Activities	 Build background Use visuals Use total physical response (TPR) Use graphic organizers Use illustrations and photos to show student understanding Use native language texts or ELP level-appropriate texts as a supplement to complex texts Purposefully teach vocabulary Provide bilingual glossaries Provide word/phrase cards with photo or illustration for definition Provide audio books (in English and native language) to support content learning Provide sentence starters and frames Draw and label or write words/short sentences Complete vocabulary log with images 	 Build background Use visuals Use TPR Use graphic organizers Use acting or role plays to demonstrate student understanding Use native language texts or ELP level-appropriate texts as a supplement to complex texts Purposefully teach vocabulary Provide bilingual glossaries Provide word/phrase cards with photo or illustration for definition Provide audio books (in English and native language) to support content learning Provide sentence starters and frames 	 Build background Use visuals Use graphic organizers Purposefully teach vocabulary Provide bilingual glossaries Provide audio books (in English) to support content learning Analyze complex grammatical language about both concrete and abstract topics
Student Groupings	 Partner work (with additional scaffolds) Small groups (with teacher support and additional scaffolds) 	 Partner work (with additional scaffolds) Small groups (with additional scaffolds) 	Partner workSmall groups

¹³ Adapted from WIDA Consortium. (n.d.). WIDA support examples across levels. Retrieved from https://lincwellell.wikispaces.com/file/view/WiDA+Support++Examples+Across+Levels.pdf

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Instructional Planning Chart for Intermediate ELA Class - Jayme, Lori, & Sylvia's Version (See gray text)

Lesson Objective: Read authentic community materials in order to gather information about local improvement activities and needs.

Level: Intermediate Level Descriptors: ELPS 2 - 3

ELPS

ELP Standard 1

An ELL can construct meaning from oral presentations and literary and informational text through level-appropriate listening, **reading**, and viewing.

Corresponds to CCR Reading Anchor Standards 1, 2, and 7

- RA1: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
- RA2: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
- RA7: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words

Skill Area Focus: Reading

Based on Carols' lesson	Identified Skills Which skills are necessary to achieve the standard?	Sample Strategies Which strategies do instructors teach to help learners attain the identified skills?	Instructional Concerns What issues might impede learners' progress?	Sample Scaffold How do instructors support learning and differentiate instruction to meet learners' needs and goals?
	Identify the central idea or theme in written texts.	 Read the first line in each paragraph. Read the first and last paragraph. 	Learners often struggle to identify the central idea.	 Give wait time when asking questions. Use think alouds to model process of identifying the main idea
	• Retell key details.	 Highlight/annotate key details in text while reading. Use text cues or signal words to identify key details, (e.g. Three reasons for; This happens because; etc.) Use cues in text dependent questions to help locate key details. 	Learners have difficulty identifying key details and putting them into their own words.	 Concentrate on meaning rather than correctness. Model circling the key details Give language frames to help learners retell key details.