



Common Acronyms Used at CASAS (Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems)

ABE/ASE	Adult Basic Education/Adult Secondary Education
AEFLA	Adult Education and Family Literacy Act
BOP	Bureau of Prisons
CAT	Computer-Adaptive Testing
CBT	Computer-Based Testing
CCRS	College and Career Readiness Standards
CIT	Citizenship Interview Test (CASAS)
COABE	Commission on Adult Basic Education
COAAP	Civics Objectives and Additional Assessment Plan
CSV	Comma Separated Variable
CTE	Career Technical Education
DD	Developmental Disability
DOC, DOCX	Microsoft Word formatted document extensions
DOT	Dictionary of Occupational Titles (replaced by O'NET)
EFL	Educational Functional Level
EL Civics	English Literacy and Civics Education
ELL	English Language Learner
ESL	English as a Second Language
FWA	Functional Writing Assessment (CASAS)
GLE	Grade Level Equivalent
GOALS	Greater Opportunities for Adult Learning Success
HSD	High School Diploma
HSE	High School Equivalency (GED, HiSET, TASC)
IELCE	Integrated English Literacy & Civics Education
IEP	Individualized Education Program
IET	Integrated Education & Training
IRT	Item Response Theory



L&W	Life and Work test series (CASAS)
LEP	Limited English Proficient
MIS	Management Information System
MSG	Measurable Skills Gain
NCME	National Council for Measurement in Education
NEDP	National External Diploma Program (CASAS)
NRS	National Reporting System
OCTAE	Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (US Department of Education)
O'NET	Occupational Information online (Dept. of Labor) (Replaced DOT)
PBA	Performance-Based Accountability
PDF	Portable Document Format file extension
Perkins	Federal funding for vocational training (OCTAE)
PPT, PPTX	PowerPoint formatted presentation file extensions
POWER	Providing Options for the Workplace, Education and Rehabilitation (CASAS)
SCANS	Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills
SDF	System Data Format
SPL	Student Performance Level
TAM	Test Administration Manual (CASAS)
TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
TESOL	Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages
TOPSpro Enterprise (TE)	Tracking of Programs and Students (CASAS)
USCIS	US Citizenship and Immigration Services
VABE	Vocational Adult Basic Education
VESL	Vocational English as a Second Language
WIOA	Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (2016-today) Titles I, II, III, and IV Previous Workforce Investment Act (Federal law - 1998) Title 1 – Dept. of Labor - Employment and Training Title II – Dept. of Education (OVAE) – Adult Literacy
WSCS	Workforce Skills Certification System (CASAS)
XLS, XLSX	Extension for files created in Microsoft Excel