



Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems

Beginning ABE Literacy Reading Item Level Field Testing

Purpose

To examine the performance and reliability of Beginning ABE Literacy Reading Assessment Items

Eligible Participants

- Only ABE learners whose first language is English are eligible.
- Beginning ABE Literacy learners who have not taken a Reading GOALS assessment are eligible
- ABE learners with an existing Reading GOALS scale score of 203 or below are also eligible
- New students and existing students are eligible to participate

Methodology

- Students will be administered a new CASAS Beginning ABE Literacy Reading Item Test.
 - No locator is needed for these field tests.
- Can be administered on CASAS eTests or with paper and pencil.
 - With eTests, field tests may be administered in person or remotely.
- Up to four field tests may be administered to each participant.
- It is permitted to give more than one field test on the same day.
- CASAS recommends a short break between tests.
- CASAS also recommends that not more than two field tests be administered on the same day.

Technology Requirement

- For eTests agencies must have computers, laptops or Chromebooks.
- With eTests, field tests may be administered in-person or remotely.

Time Commitment

- The study will consist of one or more testing events.
- Each field test takes up to 45 minutes.
- To be sure students have adequate time to complete the field tests, administrators should allow 60 minutes for the first test. This includes 15 minutes to complete the demographic information.
- Administrators should allow up to 45 minutes for the second, third and fourth field tests (if applicable).

With Gratitude

In appreciation of your time and effort participating in this study, CASAS will compensate your students and agency as follows:

- \$20 gift card to students for each completed field test form (up to \$80)
- Non-California funded participating agencies will receive 100 complimentary WTUs (WTUs)

Contact us

To participate, please contact Karen Burger (fieldtesting@casas.org / 1-800-255-1036, ext. 177).