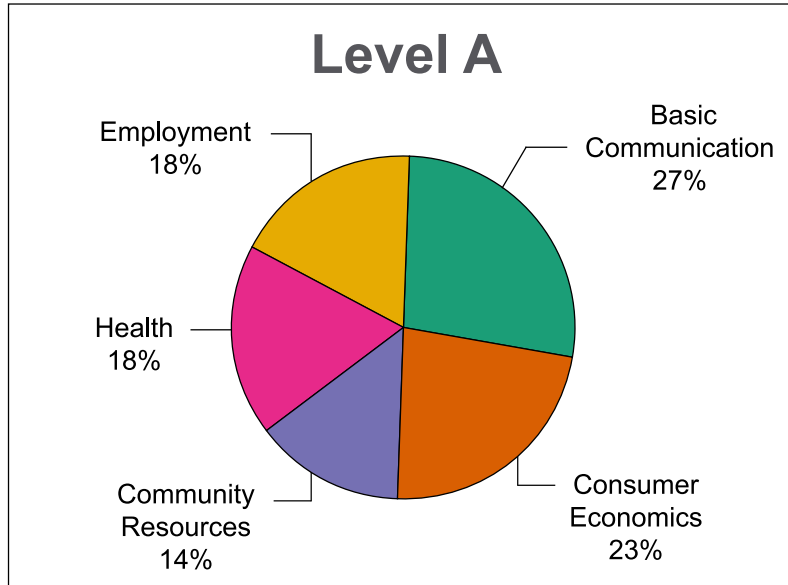


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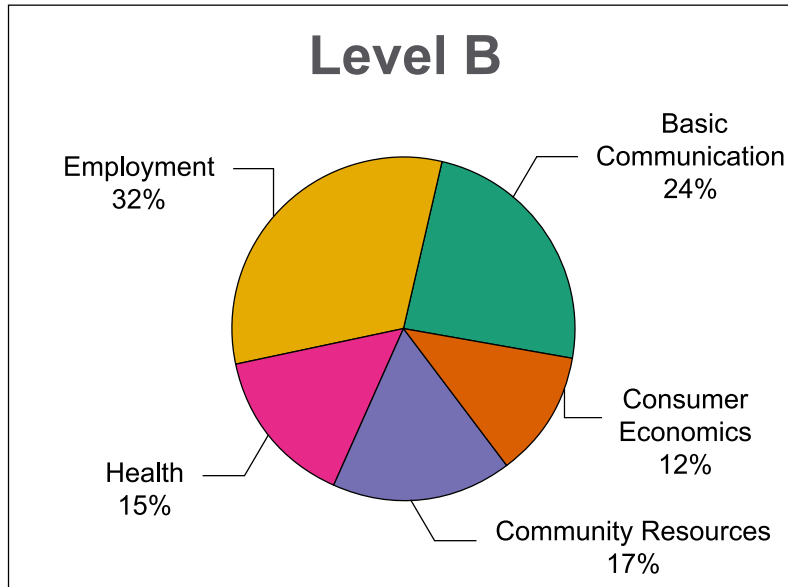
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- Basic Communication
- Consumer Economics
- Community Resources
- Health
- Employment
- Government and Law

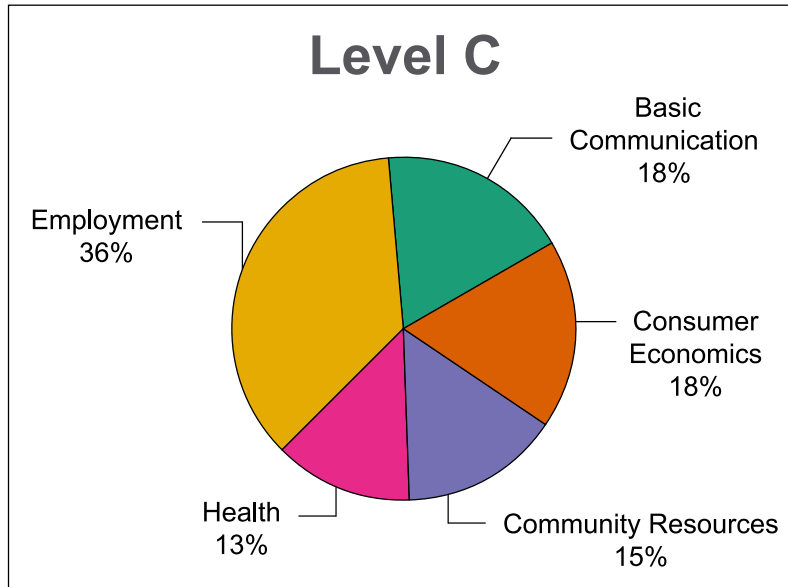
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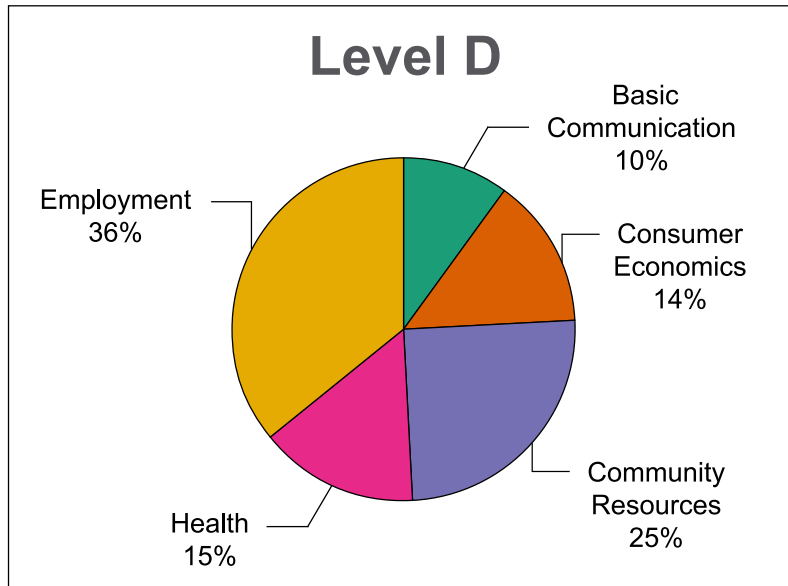
| Competency Areas  | % of test items |
|---|-----------------|
| <b>0. Basic Communication</b><br>0.1 Communicate in interpersonal interactions<br>0.2 Communicate personal information  | 27%             |
| <b>1. Consumer Economics</b><br>1.2 Use information to identify and purchase goods and services<br>1.4 Understand methods and procedures to obtain housing and related services   | 23%             |
| <b>2. Community Resources</b><br>2.2 Understand how to locate and use different types of transportation and interpret travel-related information<br>2.3 Understand concepts of time and weather<br>2.5 Use community agencies and services<br>2.6 Use leisure time resources and facilities | 14%             |
| <b>3. Health</b><br>3.1 Understand how to access and use the health care system<br>3.5 Understand basic principles of health maintenance<br>3.6 Understand basic health and medical information   | 18%             |
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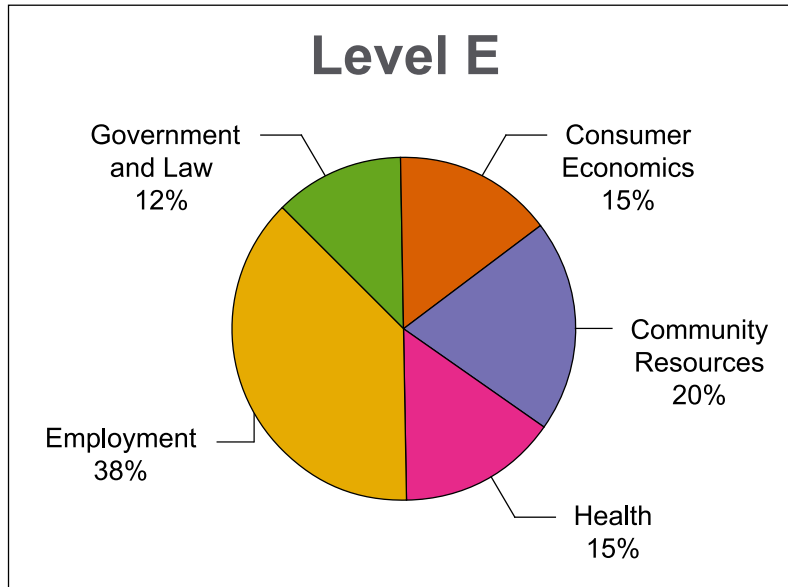
| Competency Areas   | % of test items |
|--|-----------------|
| <b>0. Basic Communication</b><br>0.1 Communicate in interpersonal interactions<br>0.2 Communicate regarding personal information   | 24%             |
| <b>1. Consumer Economics</b><br>1.2 Use information to identify and purchase goods and services<br>1.3 Understand methods and procedures used to purchase goods and services<br>1.4 Understand methods and procedures to obtain housing and related services | 12%             |
| <b>2. Community Resources</b><br>2.2 Understand how to locate and use different types of transportation and interpret travel-related information<br>2.8 Understand how to access and use educational systems and services                                    | 17%             |
| <b>3. Health</b><br>3.1 Understand how to access and use the health care system<br>3.5 Understand basic principles of health maintenance<br>3.6 Understand basic health and medical information  | 15%             |
| <b>4. Employment</b><br>4.1 Understand basic principles of getting a job<br>4.7 Effectively manage workplace resources<br>4.8 Demonstrate effectiveness in working with other people   | 32%             |



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|---|-----------------|
| <b>0. Basic Communication</b><br>0.1 Communicate in interpersonal interactions<br>0.2 Communicate regarding personal information  | 18%             |
| <b>1. Consumer Economics</b><br>1.2 Use information to identify and purchase goods and services<br>1.3 Understand methods and procedures used to purchase goods and services<br>1.4 Understand methods and procedures to obtain housing and related services<br>1.5 Understand how to manage household finances             | 18%             |
| <b>2. Community Resources</b><br>2.2 Understand how to locate and use different types of transportation and interpret travel-related information<br>2.6 Use leisure time resources and facilities<br>2.7 Understand aspects of society and culture<br>2.8 Understand how to access and use educational systems and services | 15%             |
| <b>3. Health</b><br>3.1 Understand how to access and use the health care system<br>3.5 Understand basic principles of health maintenance<br>3.6 Understand basic health and medical information   | 13%             |
| <b>4. Employment</b><br>4.1 Understand basic principles of getting a job<br>4.3 Understand work-related safety standards and procedures<br>4.6 Communicate effectively in the workplace<br>4.7 Effectively manage workplace resources<br>4.8 Demonstrate effectiveness in working with other people                         | 36%             |



| Competency Areas   | % of test items |
|--|-----------------|
| <b>0. Basic Communication</b><br>0.1 Communicate in interpersonal interactions   | 10%             |
| <b>1. Consumer Economics</b><br>1.2 Use information to identify and purchase goods and services<br>1.3 Understand methods and procedures used to purchase goods and services<br>1.4 Understand methods and procedures to obtain housing and related services<br>1.6 Understand consumer protection measures  | 14%             |
| <b>2. Community Resources</b><br>2.2 Understand how to locate and use different types of transportation and interpret travel-related information<br>2.3 Understand concepts of time and weather<br>2.6 Use leisure time resources and facilities<br>2.7 Understand aspects of society and culture<br>2.8 Understand how to access and use educational systems and services           | 25%             |
| <b>3. Health</b><br>3.1 Understand how to access and use the health care system<br>3.4 Understand basic safety measures and health risks<br>3.5 Understand basic principles of health maintenance<br>3.6 Understand basic health and medical information   | 15%             |
| <b>4. Employment</b><br>4.1 Understand basic principles of getting a job<br>4.3 Understand work-related safety standards and procedures<br>4.4 Understand concepts and materials related to job performance and training<br>4.6 Communicate effectively in the workplace<br>4.7 Effectively manage workplace resources<br>4.8 Demonstrate effectiveness in working with other people | 36%             |



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|---|-----------------|
| <b>1. Consumer Economics</b><br>1.2 Use information to identify and purchase goods and services<br>1.6 Understand consumer protection measures<br>1.7 Understand procedures for the care, maintenance, and use of personal possessions  | 15%             |
| <b>2. Community Resources</b><br>2.6 Use leisure time resources and facilities<br>2.7 Understand aspects of society and culture<br>2.8 Understand how to access and use educational systems and services  | 20%             |
| <b>3. Health</b><br>3.1 Understand how to access and use the health care system<br>3.4 Understand basic safety measures and health risks<br>3.6 Understand basic health and medical information   | 15%             |
| <b>4. Employment</b><br>4.3 Understand work-related safety standards and procedures<br>4.4 Understand concepts and materials related to job performance and training<br>4.6 Communicate effectively in the workplace<br>4.7 Effectively manage workplace resources<br>4.8 Demonstrate effectiveness in working with other people<br>4.9 Understand how organizational systems function, and operate effectively within them | 38%             |
| <b>5. Government and Law</b><br>5.6 Understand civic responsibilities and activities<br>5.8 Understand concepts of economics  | 12%             |