

Beyond Implementation Basics Training

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Welcome!



- Have you completed Implementation Training?
- This training is for participants who:
 - Have completed CASAS Implementation Training
 - Want to expand their CASAS knowledge
 - Need to be recertified in CASAS Implementation

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Training Content

- This training covers:
 - Pre-assessment
 - Implementation at your agency
 - Evaluating implementation effectiveness
 - · Review of CASAS
 - Resources to support instruction
 - Resource for your program

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Participant Materials

- Training presentation
- Activity packet
- CASAS Competencies
- CASAS Skill Level Descriptors
- Training completion direction



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Training Objectives

- At the end of this training, you will be able to:
 - Recall links between curriculum, instruction, and assessment
 - Identify and use CASAS Competencies, Task Areas, and Content Standards
 - Interpret and use test results to inform instruction
 - Identify instructional resources
 - Identify professional development resources

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CASAS

Activity 1: Think about your agency

- What is your role at your agency?
- Does your agency have an intake process?
- How does your agency place students?
- What CASAS tests does your agency use?
- How does your agency score CASAS tests?
- Who receives test results at your agency and when?
- Do your teachers use test results to inform instruction?

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Think About It



We encourage you to share these topics with others at your agency. Use them to think about and evaluate the effectiveness of your program.

- Intake and assessment process
- Placement into program, level, and classroom
- Pretest results
- Using test results to inform instruction
- Post-test results
- Reporting results
- Professional development
- Rewards and challenges

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Think About It



Intake and Assessment Process

- What does the process
- look like at your agency?
- Is it effective?
- Do you use CASAS
- Appraisals for placement
- and intake?



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Placement in Program, Level, and Classroom

- How are placement decisions made at your agency?
- Is the process effective?
- Is there a policy for moving students to higher or lower classes if needed?



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Pretest Results

- Who administers the pretests at your agency?
- Do teachers receive test results?
- If so, how soon after testing do instructors receive results?
- How do teachers use test results?



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Think About It



Using Results to Inform Instruction

- Does your agency use a set curriculum?
- If not, do instructors develop their own curriculum?
- Do instructors use test results to inform instruction?



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Post-Test Results

- What is the interval between pre- and post-testing at your agency?
- Who administers the post-tests?
- How soon do instructors receive results?
- How are results used?

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Reporting Results

- What does the data collection and reporting system look like at your agency?
- How do administrators use test results?
- Who reports results to the state (or your agency's funding source)?



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Think About It

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Professional Development

- What professional development opportunities are available at your agency?
 - · Staff meeting
 - Workshops
 - Seminars
 - Conferences
 - Continuing Education Units (CEUs)
 - Other





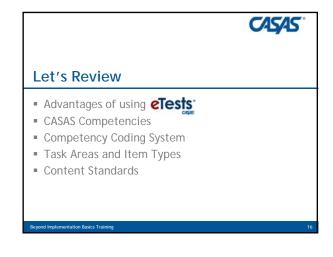
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Rewards and Challenges

- Consider your role in your agency
 - Write down one of the biggest rewards you have felt in your job.
 - 2. Write down one of the biggest challenges you've encountered in your job.

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Let's Review CASAS Competencies Key component and building block of CASAS system What information do you get from a competency? What is the link between competencies and test items? Do you use the competencies to help plan instruction? Why are competencies important in the larger picture of assessment and instruction?

Let's Review Competency Coding System 7.7.4 Demonstrate ability to use e-mail and other messaging systems Content Area: Learning and Thinking Skills Competency Area: 7.7 - Demonstrate the ability to use information and communication technology Competency Statement: Demonstrate ability to use e-mail and other messaging systems Complete Activity 2 in your packet.

Let's Review



Task Areas and Item Types

- What is a task area?
- Where do you find task areas on CASAS reports?
- What is the link between task areas and test items?
- Do you use task areas to help plan instruction?
 - If so, how?

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Let's Review



Task Areas and Item Types

- Reading and Math Task Areas
 - 1. Forms
 - 2. Charts, maps, consumer billings, matrices, graphs, or tables
 - 3. Stories, articles, paragraphs, sentences, directions, or pictures
 - 4. Signs, price tags, ads, or product labels
 - 5. Measurement scales and diagrams

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Let's Review



Task Areas and Item Types

- Listening Item Types
 - 1. Picture prompts
 - 2. Comprehension questions
 - 3. Predict next line of dialogue
 - 4. Identify true statement based on prompt

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Let's Review



Content Standards

- What are Content Standards?
- Why are they important?
- Does your program promote using Content Standards to help plan instruction? If so, how?



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Let's Review



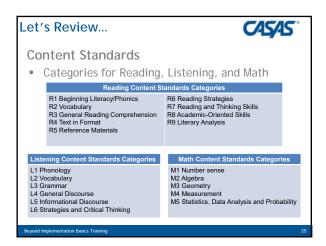
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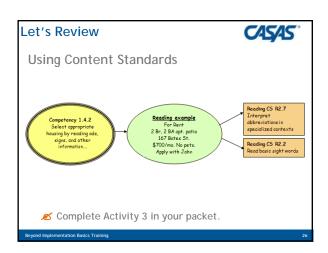
- Clear statements of skills that students need at specific levels
 - Example: Interpret simple written instructions
- Identify the underlying basic skills associated with CASAS Competencies
- Support instructional planning
- Available in reading, math, and listening
- CASAS Reading Content Standards have been aligned with the Common Core State Standards



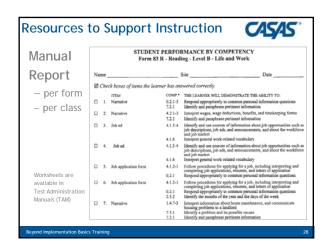
Download CASAS Content Standards at: www.casas.org > Product Overviews
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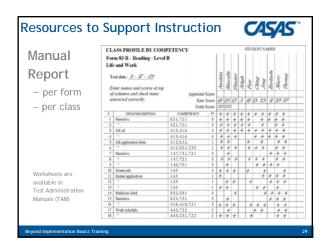
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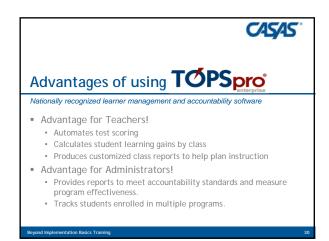




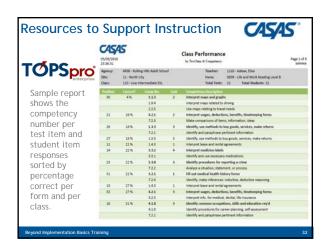


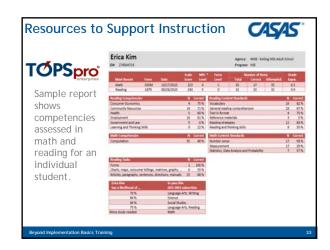




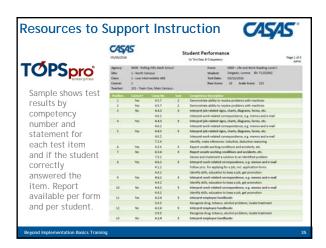


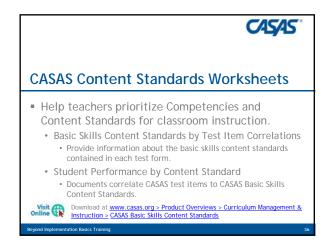






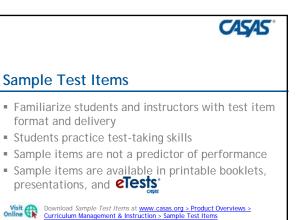






Sample Test Items

format and delivery





Curriculum Modules Adult Low—Level Literacy • CASAS Competencies and Content Standards linked with informal assessment and CASAS standardized assessment. · Universally designed strategies with alternate formats, metacognitive and self-determination skills, and community transition activities. • Use with pre-beginning and beginning readers. · Ten theme-based modules for learning progression. · No cost, unlimited access. Visit: www.casas.org > Product Overviews > Curriculum Management & Instruction > Curriculum Modules (Low Level Literacy)

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Resources for Your Program

- Activity packet
 - Discussion Questions
 - For Instructors
 - For Program Managers and Administrators
 - Checklists
 - Assessment Process
 - Planning for Instruction
- CASAS Website
 - Training and Support
 - Education Providers
 - Workforce Development
 - Business and Industry
 - <u>Social Media</u> <u>Newsroom</u>

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Case Study

- Complete the Case Study in your activity packet.
- Work in groups of 2-3 if possible, or work alone.
- When your group finishes, we will review answers together.



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