

Implementing Alternative Performance-Based Assessment at a Classroom Level

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Workshop Outline

1. Introduction
2. Alternative Assessments
3. Beyond Portfolios and Journals
4. Moving from Needs to Objectives to Curriculum to Assessment
5. Sample Project
6. Resources

Resources for Assessment and Civics

All these resources will be on my website, www.lifeenglish.net

State Resources

- California EL Civics Website www.cde.ca.gov/adulteducation/supplement_progs/elciv_index.html
Get the program deliverables, forms and instructions, especially 1-3.
- Michigan EL Civics Website www.state.mi.us/career/adulteducation/funding/englishLitFGO.htm
- Texas EL Civics Website http://www-tcall.tamu.edu/elcweb/Overview/o_A.htm Also see Texas - article-“Teaching Beyond Citizenship” <http://www-tcall.tamu.edu/newsletr/win02/win02a.htm> and a book the author recommends, Nash, Andy (Ed.) (1999). *Civic Participation and Community Action Sourcebook: A Resource for Adult Educators*, Boston: New England Literacy Resource Center. (order info. on web.)

National Resources

- ERIC: *Practical Ideas on Alternative Assessment for ESL Students* www.ed.gov/databases/ERIC_Digests/ed395500.html
- ERIC: *Q and A: Civic Education for Adult English Language Learners* www.cal.org/nclc/digests/civics.htm
- ERIC: *Creating Meaningful Performance Assessments* <http://ericae.net/db/edo/ED381985.htm>
- CASAS: Website www.casas.org, especially good is the Biblio. of Citizenship Materials, to access it, go through website, to "Downloads", to "CASAS General." Also see the Correlation Chart for CASAS and California ESL Model Standards, www.casas.org/ModelStds/corrintro.cfm?wtarget=body&selected_id=246
- NCLC: National Center for ESL Literacy Education's Resource Collections: *Civics Education for Adult English Language Learners* www.cal.org/nclc/REScivics.htm
- NCLC: EL/Civics Activities for Adults article: *ESL Activities for African-American History Month* www.cal.org/nclc/civics/AAmon.htm
- TESOL website, especially the program standards for Adult Education ESL <http://www.tesol.org> and see <http://www.tesol.org/pubs/catalog/standards.html#52000>
- U.S. Dept. of Education's EL Civics page www.ed.gov/offices/OVAE/AdultEd/ELCIVICS/index.html, www.ed.gov/offices/OVAE/AdultEd/englit.html

Other Resources

- Civic Participation and Citizenship Collection* - This is a great resource for websites! from New England Literacy Resource Center <http://www.nelrc.org/cpcc/elcivics.htm>
- Children's Literature with Social Studies Themes*, Civics Education - Books can be used with adult ESL, www.udel.edu/dssep/literature.html
- Holt, Daniel D. and Carol H. Van Duzer, Eds., *Assessing Success in Family Literacy and Adult ESL*, Revised Edition, Joint ERIC and CAL Publication (Available on the web at Amazon.)
- Secondary Assessment Tools* (Good source of rubrics and scoring descriptors - See BCPS Research Modules) www.bcpl.net/~sullivan/modules/tips/assess_sec.html