

# Lesson Planning

## Adult New Reader collection

Immigracion a los EE.UU., paso a paso = U.S. Immigration, step-by-step.

Welcome to the United States of America: a guide for new immigrants .

U.S. Immigration & Citizenship Q&A.

Civics and Citizenship Toolkit: A collection of educational resources for immigrants.

## USCIS Online Resources

<http://www.uscis.gov/newtest>

<http://www.uscis.gov/civicsflashcards>

Be aware that some of the materials do not reflect changes to the test. New materials will be available as we get closer to October 1, 2008.

## Citizenship Activities

Eric Digest describes the educational requirements and gives ESL teachers a variety of activities to use.

<http://www.ericdigests.org/1998-1/citizenship.htm>



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# Tutor Talk

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## Tutor Professional Development

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Fast Track Reading System

Amazing phonics learning system developed for low-level readers. Manual in the library!

# Redesigned Citizenship Test

—launch date October 1, 2008

The major aim of the redesign process is to ensure that naturalization applicants have uniform, consistent testing experiences nationwide, and that the civics test can effectively assess whether applicants have a meaningful understanding of U.S. government and history.

There are 5 skill areas identified as key components for learners to review in preparation for the naturalization test:

1. **Listening**—the applicant possesses the ability to comprehend English spoken at a natural speed and with natural intonation.

Understand and act on basic commands

Understand and respond to clarification questions

Understand questions about everyday life and events

Understand questions on the Application for Naturalization, Form n-400

Understand questions from the civics test



2. **Speaking**—the applicant has the ability to speak English to be understood. The test starts immediately — from the first greeting!

Make clarifying questions

Answer questions about everyday life and events using short responses

Make statements about personal information

Give complete answers and statements about the N-400 questions

Give complete questions to the civics questions

Respond to questions for clarification

Use simple strategies to check understanding

3. **Reading**—the applicant possesses the ability to read and comprehend written English related to the naturalization process. The test consists of reading 1 sentence out of 3 correctly.

Ability to read and follow directions on all USCIS forms

Ability to read civics items and answers

Ability to read vocabulary and sentences on the reading test

4. **Writing**—the applicant should possess the ability to demonstrate writing skills regarding the naturalization process. The test consists of writing 1 dictated answer out of 3 correctly.

Write to complete all USCIS forms

Write dictated sentences

Sign name

Print name



5. **Civics**—the applicant must answer 6 of 10 questions correctly to pass this section of the test.

Topics include:

Principles of American Democracy

System of Government

Rights & Responsibilities

Colonial Period & Independence

1800s

Recent American History & other Important

Historical Information

Geography

Symbols

Holidays