

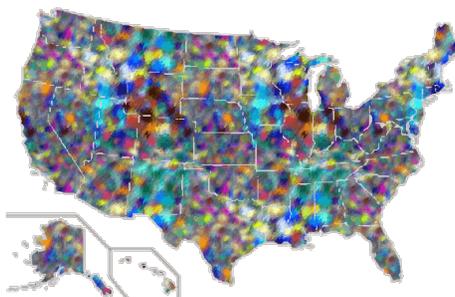


Types of Culture

- Individual Cultures
- Group Cultures
- Cultural Behaviors



This unit introduces students to basic cultural concepts. It also discusses individual and group cultural characteristics and behaviors, integrating many of Edward Hall's cultural definitions.



Dominant and Native American Cultures

- Characteristics
- Behavioral comparisons
- Suggested approaches



These units identify and compare cultural characteristics among people from our dominant and Native American cultures. They also include suggestions on how to best function in the dominant culture.

Cultural Working and Learning Issues



An Early-Reading Curriculum Package for Adults



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Curriculum Design

The units in the Cultural Issues curriculum have two purposes: to teach content and to improve reading levels.

The content is written at between 3.5 and 4.5 reading levels. However, students at lower reading levels will be able to learn with the materials. That is because each reading passage is accompanied by a narration at two levels: slow normal and very slow. Students can select the speed they desire.

Each unit also has activities that help students put to immediate practice what they are learning. Activities are matched with answer sheets to create more independence in learning.

The content addresses adults who wish to enter the workplace but who (1) lack adequate reading skills to compete in the workplace, and (2) need more knowledge about how money transactions.

Q&A

How long does it take for a student to complete a unit?

Units are different in size. Students are different in backgrounds and abilities. A student reading at the 4th-grade level with no learning limitations should complete a unit in one or two weeks, depending on the size of the unit and time spent on task.

Do students need supervision?

Yes. Students with limited reading skills will need a lot of help at the beginning. They will need to be shown how to open the content, how to select sound clips, and how to turn in their completed work, depending on the preferences of each program. Once a student completes a unit, he should be able to take additional units on his own.

How does a student improve reading skills?

Reading is a skill. You become a better reader by reading. Also, each unit reinforces money-related vocabulary, provides audio clips for passages, and offers exercises to reinforce reading skills related to the content.