



## Tutor Training Workshop Language Experience Approach

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### Language Experience Approach Overview

- Learn why the Language Experience Approach (LEA) is effective with adult learners.
- Learn how to use a language experience story to develop lessons.



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### Creating a Language Experience story

- Listen to the story.
- Write the story.
- Read and verify story with student.
- Ask for corrections.



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## Identify reading and writing skills

- Identify specific skills.
- Identify the teaching strategies or activities.



Alphabetics



Vocabulary



Comprehension



Writing



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## Benefits of LEA

- Empowers students
- Connects oral and written language
- Gives insight into the student's language and experiences
- Allows student to produce stories
- Works well with new students

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## Language Experience Approach (LEA)

1. Converse with the student to identify an experience or topic.
2. Focus the conversation and ask the student to tell you a story.
3. Print exactly what the student says.
4. Read and verify the story.
5. Read the story to the student.
6. Ask the student to read the story.
7. Identify reading, writing, and language skills.
8. Ask the student to copy the story.



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