



Finding Texts for ABE Learners

[Barbara Bush Fund for Family Literacy:](#)

This website includes a variety of resources for adult learners and their families, including the [ReadLife Bookshelf](#) with free digital texts and themed Instructor Resource Guides on a variety of topics. Books and instructor materials are available in English and Spanish. Resources to support [digital literacy](#) and [anti-racist teaching](#) are also available.

[CommonLit:](#)

This website contains online and ready-to-print texts that can be sorted by standard, Lexile range, grade level, and more. Educators can set up a free account to access materials, which also include thematic units and accompanying text sets.

[CSAL Library:](#)

Though developed for direct use by learners, this site can be used by teachers and curriculum developers as a go-to resource for finding texts on a wealth of topics. Texts are divided into "easier, medium, and harder" levels.

[Facing History & Ourselves: Collections:](#)

Facing History & Ourselves is a comprehensive website of curricula and resources for teaching social studies and ELA. The "Collections" section supports teaching complex periods in history and current events.

[Learning for Justice: Student Texts:](#)

This is a K-12 site that focuses on social justice and presents material in a way that is usually appropriate for adult learners. It offers informational and literary nonfiction texts, literature, political cartoons, infographics, and more, searchable by text type, GLE, subject, and topic.

[Newsela](#) (all DESE-funded MA programs have a subscription):

This site provides leveled articles on the same topic, which is useful for multilevel classrooms. Includes audio supports.

[Reading Skills for Today's Adults](#) (formerly Marshall Adult Education):

This site provides leveled passages, mostly home-grown, written on a breadth of adult-oriented topics. Best for CCRSAE Levels A-D. Audio supports and a timer are provided. The SABES ELA team created an [RSTA Navigation Guide](#) of the site and companion resources.

[ReadWorks:](#)

This is a K-12 site that has a wealth of reading passages (and units) on a variety of topics. Click on "Reading Passages," and then sort by Keyword or Topic to find passages related to your unit. Explore the site for additional resources.

[The Change Agent](#) (all MA programs have a subscription):

The Change Agent is a digital magazine for adult educators and learners published by the [New England Literacy Resource Center](#) (NELRC) at [World Education](#), a division of JSI. It features writings by adult learners and focuses on topics important for civic participation and social justice.