



Marshall Adult Literacy

Marshall Adult Literacy is a collaboration between Southwest Adult Basic Education in Marshall, Minnesota and Flink Learning. The program provides a complete support system for English language literacy skill development, including for Spanish heritage speakers.

Six Components of Literacy

Current research has concluded that all successful readers have developed mastery in six skill areas:

1. **Phonemic Awareness** – an understanding of sounds in language and how they form words;
2. **Decoding** –ability to figure out unfamiliar words and learn to read them automatically,
3. **Vocabulary** – know an adequate number of words to understand text passages.
4. **Fluency** –ability to read quickly and without conscious attention,
5. **Comprehension** –ability to understand the meaning, implications and intention of text,
6. **Writing** – ability to express thoughts in written sentences and paragraphs, and

Why Marshall Adult Literacy works

- Marshall Adult Literacy is student-centered, empowering adult learners to choose learning activities that interest and help them.
- Motivates learners with graphical reports for the skills and words they master.
- includes hundreds of readings, covering a variety of culturally familiar and useful subjects, each with a variety of comprehension questions.
- Over 1,500 graphically-appealing, engaging learning activities in English and Spanish support phonemic awareness, decoding & vocabulary development.
- Supports use by teams to motivate learners.
- Available online for ABE centers and companies, and as low cost mobile apps for individual students.



Understanding

1. Why did Raul lose his job? _____
2. Who does Raul call? Why? _____
3. When are classes held? _____