

LASLLIAM - LITERACY AND SECOND LANGUAGE LEARNING FOR THE LINGUISTIC INTEGRATION OF ADULT MIGRANTS FERNANDA MINUZ

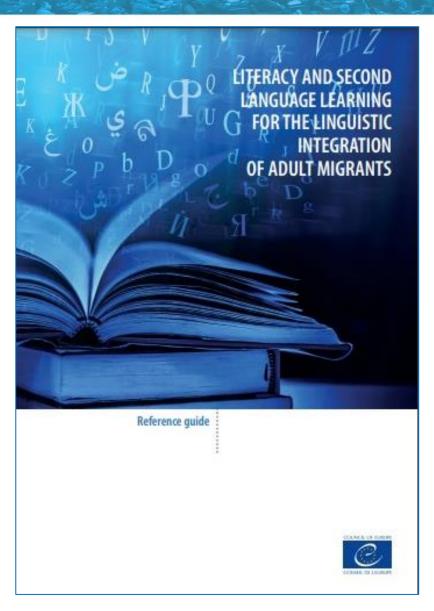
A Reference Guide

that builds on the Common European Framework for Languages (CEFR) and the CEFR Companion Volume

below and up to the CEFR A1 level

for non-literate and low-literate adult migrants who are learning the language of the country of resettlement.

It provides Can-do-descriptors and extensive recommendations on how to use these for the sake of learner emancipation and learner development



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https://rm.coe.int/prems-008922-eng-2518-literacy-and-second-language-learning-couv-texte/1680a70e18

LASLLAM builds on CEFR Companion volume

adopts the action-oriented approach of the CEFR and CEFR Companion Volume

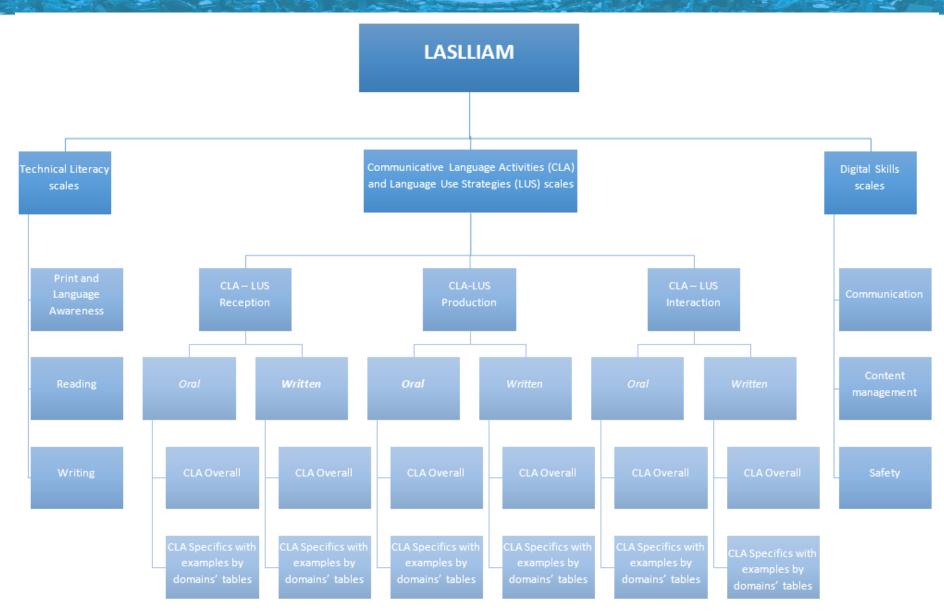
adopts the key notions of **communicative language competence** as a multidimensional competence, **tasks** and **learners' profiles**

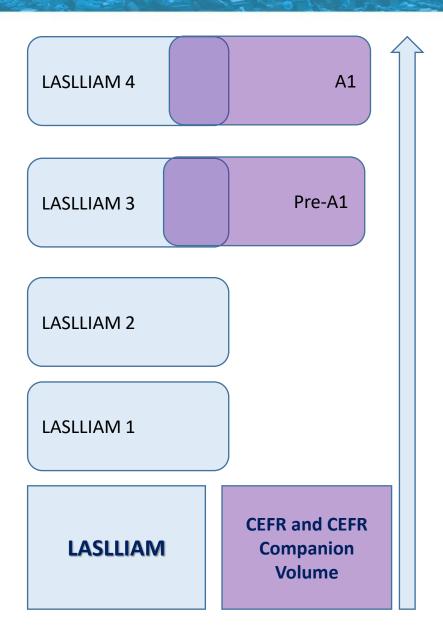
provides **illustrative descriptors** for **reception**, **production and interaction** for oral and written second language learning, in relation to both **communicative language activities** and **language use strategies**

provides also **illustrative descriptors** for the acquisition of the written code (**technical literacy**) and the **digital skills**

organises the descriptors in **four-level scales** ranging from the first contact with the written language and the(oral and written) target language up to level A1 of the CEFR Companion Volume

Scales

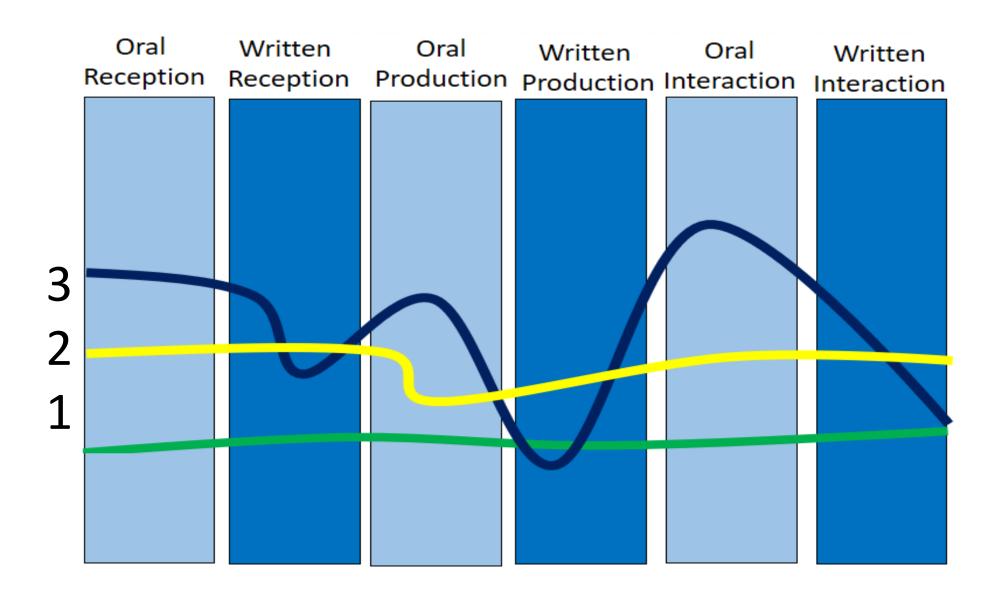




As CEFR and CEFR Companion Volume,
 LASLLIAM assumes the concept of
 individual profiles, which implies
 learning goals independently of each
 other

 Therefore, the descriptors are not codependent, in the sense that a learner might be at level 1 in a certain 'can-do' and level 2 or 3 in another

Uneven Profiles of three LASLLIAM learners



In LASLLIAM *literacy* refers to the ability of individuals, as social agents, to identify, understand, interpret and produce written texts (which can be handwritten, printed, digital and multi-modal) in accordance with social context.

LASLLIAM addresses

- the individual cognitive processes and linguistic dimensions of learning and using the written language and
- the individual communicative needs and activities, alongside roles, functions and values attributed to the written language by the communities in which individuals learn to read and write.

LASLLIAM Reference Guide describes the simultaneous, interrelated, and not linear processes of acquiring literacy and a second language



LASLLIAM learners

- Non- and low-literate adult migrants form a highly diverse group with a vast array of educational needs (needs analysis).
- Literacy background and oral and plurilingual resources (including competence in the target language) are of foremost relevance.
- A combination of features characterize **learner types**:
 - ✓ from non-literates in any language to the so-called functionally non-literates
 - ✓ from non- and low-literates with minimal ability to act in a second language to non-literates with some ability to speak and listen in their second language.

Literacy and illiteracy represent poles of a wide continuum of individual skills and knowledge.



Technical Literacy Scales

Technical literacy is the ability to get access to the written code of a language. For alphabetical scripts, this means learning to use the systematic relationship between letters/graphemes in writing and sounds/phonemes in spoken language in a gradually more fluent way until word recognition is automatised.

Technical Literacy scales

focus on cognitive and linguistic dimensions,

describe the progression from emergent literacy towards fluency and automatized decoding and encoding.

- 1. Language and Print Awareness
- 2. Reading
- 3. Writing

Examples

Language and Print Awareness-level 2

• Can analyse words with a simple syllabic structure into phonemes (e.g. 'map' into 'm-a-p')

Reading – level 2

 Can read practised words and new short words with a simple or highly frequent syllabic structure by applying the grapheme-phoneme correspondence (e.g. "son", "sera").

Writing - Level 2

• Can write words with a simple syllabic structure using the phoneme grapheme correspondence (e.g. "book").



Communicative Language Activities Scales

Overall scales

- Oral Reception
- Written Reception
- Oral Production
- Written Production
- Oral Interaction
- Written Interaction

Specific Scales

- Oral Reception
- Written Reception
- Oral Production
- Written Production
- Oral Interaction
- Written Interaction

LASLLIAM formula for CLA

Can do X (referring to the CLA teaching goal), by

(reading/writing/listening/speaking) Y (referring to practice,

length and linguistic complexity)

Example

Overall oral reception - Level 2

Can pick out isolated pieces of information and frequent social formulas (e.g. greetings) by recognising familiar words and expressions in a short simple speech.

Every descriptor is contextualized and completed by **examples of language use in the 4 domains** mentioned in the CEFR

<u>Specific scale – Functional writing – Level 1</u>

Descriptor	Personal domain	Public domain	Occupational domain	Educational domain
Can write a personally	e.g., date and time	e.g., appointment	e.g., working days and	e.g., room number,
relevant word by	of sports club;	at the doctor's or a	times	lesson time and name
relevante word by	birthdays of	public office		of teacher
copying it into an	relatives; public			
agenda.	holidays ('June 17:			
	aunt Nora')			

LASLLIAM general indicators

- Reception before production
- Interaction before reception and production
- Practiced before new
- Meaning before form
- Pragmatics before accuracy (only for functional literacy, not for technical)

Curricula and syllabi

Teaching materials

Assessment tools

Professional development



Curriculum design levels

INTERNATIONAL COMPARATIV (SUPRA)

e.g. international reference instruments (LASLLIAM)

NATIONAL/EDUCATION SYSTEM, state, region (MACRO)

e.g. study plan, syllabus, strategic specific aims, common core, training standards

SCHOOL, institution (MESO)

e.g. adjustment of the school curriculum or study plan to match the specific profile of a school, developments in partnership with businesses

CLASS, group, teaching sequence, teacher (MICRO)

e.g. course, textbook used, resources

INDIVIDUAL (NANO):

e.g. individual experience of learning, lifelong (autonomous) personal development

Beacco et al. 2016: 18.



Learners' needs

Heterogenous classes/groups due to many factors

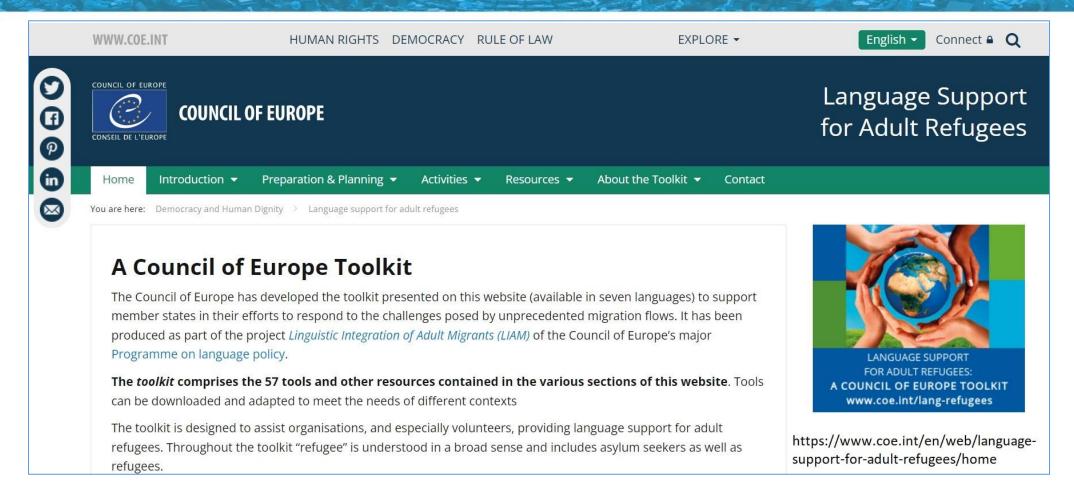
literacy, L2 competence, education, digital skills, distance between L1 and L2, scripts, contacts with the L2 and domains of L2, uneven profiles, plurilingual repertoires, internal factors (age, motivation, cognitive style, attitudes, etc.), trauma experience, physical impairments, external factors (social context, cultural distance, migration project, etc.), conditions for regular course attendance (distance, costs of public transport, working and/or family commitments, etc.)

Needs analysis

- at the beginning, to tailor the course to the needs of the participants,
- during the course, as a continuous monitoring tool to keep the teaching in tune with the learners' evolving needs.



Needs analysis



Tool 25

https://rm.coe.int/tool-25-finding-out-what-refugees-can-already-do-in-the-target-languag/16807171aa



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Needs analysis



Language Support for Adult Refugees A Council of Europe Toolkit www.coe.int/lang-refugees

Linguistic Integration of Adult Migrants (LIAM) www.coe.int/lang-migrants

What I can do now

I can do this in the language of the host country (tick the relevant column)	(3)	⊖	<u></u>
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Linguistic Integration of Adult Migrants (LIAM) www.coe.int/lang-migrants

What I need now

You could ask a number of simple questions, if necessary by using pictures, and get the refugees in the group to indicate a positive or negative reaction.

It is important to ensure that everybody in the group understands that:

⊘ ⊘ ⊘ means urgent ;

When you are sure that each person knows how to use this system, then introduce the grids.

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	Doctor, hospital, medical, dental etc.			
	Shopping			
21 d 20 mg 20 + 20 m	School, education			
	Bank, money ATM etc.			

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TOOLS

Teaching units

Tasks and mini-projects

Communicative scenarios

Tools for strategy instruction

Training in the use of digital devices

Portfolio and linguistic biography

Tools for the needs' analysis test

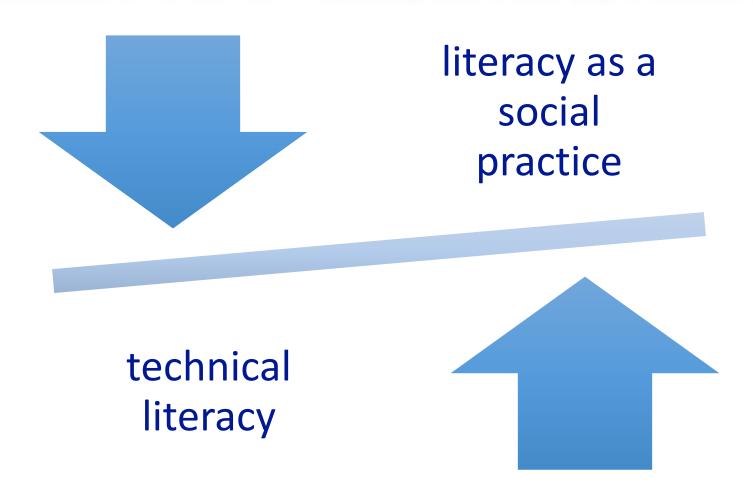
Placement test

End of course exam





A balanced teaching





Working with scenarios

Scenarios focus on communicative situations that learners are facing in real life. Each scenario provides **a set of real-world situations**, with **activities presented in a strategic order** to satisfy a **specific and concrete need** (e.g. collecting a parcel at the post office).

Scenarios

involve both **general knowledge** (e.g. where to buy a bus ticket) and **competences** (such as filling out the form)

provide a **meaningful and realistic frame** for language use in an instructional and therefore guided setting

bring together "a set of real-world variables, including a **domain, context, tasks, language activities and texts**" (Council of Europe – LIAM 2020)

allow differentiating teaching and learning pathways according to the individual learner's competence within a common and co-operative setting



Aloisi E., Borri A., D' Amico F., Scaramilli E., LASLLIAM Tool «The speaking machine», In print

A task is defined as any purposeful action considered by an individual as necessary in order to achieve a given result in the context of a problem to be solved, an obligation to fulfil or an objective to be achieved (CEFR, p. 10)

Tasks interface teaching activities and «real-world» situations



A scenario

1- The new job: in the kitchen

Aim: To understand and perform work procedures in the catering sector Introduction

This specifiy the language objective

Communicative situations

- Follow orally explained work procedures
- Interact with the employer
- Read for orientation a work shift table
- Take note of work shifts



<u>Level</u>

A group with reading and writing competence at level 1, and oral competence at level 3. Learners with digital skills at level 1.

Levels are established through a language assessment based on LASLLIAM

Aloisi E., Borri A., D'Amico F., and Scaramelli E. (2022)

Functional literacy

The scenario aims to enable learners to follow and understand the work procedures in a kitchen and orient themself in reading a frequent type of text (work shift table).

In implementing the activities, the development of phonological competence and of language and print awareness are in focus. Target words present the CV (consonant-vowel) syllable structure; CVV (consonant-vowel-vowel) syllable is introduced.

Technical literacy



Materials

(examples)

- A1) Pictures: bar, restaurant, kitchen, cook, assistant cook, dishwasher, waiter
- A2) Pictures: bin, waste, soap, detergent, sponge, sink, bar, dishes, glasses, pots, cutlery, gloves and cap
- B) Pictures: **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES** (e.g. cleaner, carer...)
- D) Card: SEEKER FINDS: LOOK FOR THE YELLOW SPONGE, LOOK FOR THE GREEN SPONGE, LOOK FOR THE DETERGENT, LOOK FOR THE SOAP, LOOK FOR THE RED GLOVES, LOOK FOR THE BLUE GLASSES
- Q) LEARNING APPS
 - https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pv8ety8ia22 (match target words to pictures)
 - https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pp3ug071t22 (match oral word to picture)
 - https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pzm23raun22 (match oral word to icon)
 - https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pk5wigjz322 (lexical fields)
 - ...

Language activities

The sequence of acivities. They can be used separately in any order or as a series

Examples of materials needed for the language activities. Teachers can find similar materials, preferably related to their contexts

Tasks

The proposed scenario addresses situations that a person faces on the first day of work as a dishwasher in a restaurant kitchen: job tasks and shifts

Task A: follow the instructions given by the employer about the job tasks to perform and their sequence.

Text types: Instruction (videorecording)

Language activity: Oral Reception

Task B: Find out about work shifts by asking the employer and reading the timetable

Text types: Asking for information (videorecording)

Work shift table

Language activity: Oral Interaction

Written Reception

Task C: Take note of the work shifts

Language activity: Oral production/Written Production

Digital skills: Digital skills - Content creation and management

Digital skills - Collaboration and cooperation



LASLLIAM descriptors

LASLLIAM provides descriptors in terms of «can do» to define learning goals

Task A

Oral Reception – Specific scales- Listening to Announcements and Instructions

	Personal	Public	Occupational	Educational
Can understand short, simple instructions for actions such as "Stop", "Close the door", etc., provided they are delivered slowly faceto-face, accompanied by pictures or manual gestures and repeated if necessary.	e.g. the request to make a phone call ("Call me at 5 please")	e.g. about where to go or what documents to exhibit in a public service	e.g. a simple manual procedure	e.g. instructions for simple tasks delivered by the teacher as for a matching between words and pictures



Task A

Datore: Allora Ewa, ascolta è importante ... la prima cosa da fare è buttare i rifiuti che sono nei piatti, ci sono tre bidoni, devi buttare il cibo nel bidone marrone dell'umido.

Ewa: Marrone, ho capito

Datore: Qui in questo lavandino devi lavare velocemente i

piatti, le posate, le pentole. Qui c'è il detersivo, c'è

tutto: la spugna e i guanti. Poi metti tutto

nella lavastoviglie.

Ewa: Va bene. e poi?

Datore: Fai scolare bene, asciughi e metti tutto a posto. Tieni sempre tutto pulito, anche il pavimento, attenta a

non scivolare... Dai, lavati le mani, metti la

cuffia e guanti e comincia!

Ewa: Sì, scusa una domanda: dove sta il sapone?

Datore: È lì a destra vicino alle spugne... c'è tutto quello

che ti serve...buon lavoro!

wa. Si, scusa una domanda. dove sta il sapone:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vDly_MLM2aOeM6-O3PEXB5TvYA5XoWaB/view **Employer**: So Ewa, listen, it's important ... the first thing to do is to throw away the rubbish that's on the plates, there are three bins, you have to throw the food into the brown wet bin.

Ewa: Brown, I understand

Employer: Here in this sink. You have to wash the dishes, cutlery, pots and pans quickly. Here's the detergent, everything's there: the sponge and the gloves. Then you put everything in the dishwasher.

Ewa: OK. Then what?

Employer: Drain well, dry and put everything away. Always keep everything clean, even the floor, be careful not to slip... Come on, wash your hands, put on your cap and gloves and start!

Ewa: Yes, sorry, one question: where's the soap? **Employer**: It's over there on the right next to the sponges...everything you need is there...good work!]

Descriptors for Task B

Task B

Overall Reading Comprehension

1

Can pick out a single piece of information in a text by reading sight words and using pictures.

Can distinguish numerical from alphabetical information by recognising some numbers and letters.

Reading for Information

1

Can distinguish numerical from alphabetical information.

e.g. days and months on calendar e.g. opening hours of supermarket; prices on a price list e.g. working hours on work schedule

e.g. days, hours and room of language course

Technical Literacy – Language and script awareness

Can identify some initial phonemes of a spoken word (e.g. the initial phoneme of their own name).

Technical Literacy - Reading

Can recognise practised sight words (e.g. days of the week).

Can recognise some graphemes in practised words (e.g. initial letters in own name).



Turni di lavoro CUCINA

SETTIMAMA DAL 7 AL 13 MARZO

MATTINA ORE 11.00

SERA ORE 18.00

NOME	LUNEDì	MARTEDì	MERCOLEDì	GIOVEDì	VENERDì	SABATO	DOMENICA
SALIH	18.00	11.00	RIPOSO	18.00	11.00	11.00	18.00
EWA	18.00	11.00	RIPOSO	11.00	18.00	11.00	18.00
MIREL	11.00	18.00	RIPOSO	18.00	11.00	18.00	11.00
NICOLA	11.00	18.00	RIPOSO	11.00	18.00	18.00	11.00

Task C

Written Production - Specific scales -Functional writing

Can write a personally relevant word by copying it into an agenda.

e.g. date and time of sports club; birthdays of relatives; public holidays ("June 17: Aunt Nora")

e.g. appointment at the doctor's or a public office e.g. working days and times

e.g. room number, lesson time and name of teacher

Digital skills - Collaboration and cooperation

Can take photos.

Digital skills – Content creation and management

Can type words by copying from print (e.g. name, address from paper to an online form).

Can record multimedia messages (audio or video) on a mobile device with guidance.



Backward planning





Exercise 2

(facilitating understanding)

Faciliating undertanding by
(a) checking the global
comprehension orally, (b)
checking the global
comprehension with a
questionnaire, (c) checking
the local comprehension by
reordering pictures

PHASE 3

Real world task A

follow the instructions about the job tasks to perform and their sequence

Task 1 Oral interaction

Asking partners (a) about their jobs, (b) their experience and knowledge of restaurants and kitchens

(materials A)

PHASE 1

Excercise 1 (vocabulary)

Constructing a list of keywords by (a) matching oral words and pictures, (b) identifying pictures on the

identifying pictures on the basis of the oral (two games), (c) recognising sight words in a word grid, (d) copying and writing with the keyboard

PHASE 2

Task 2
Oral interaction
Training acquired language
through a role-play

PHASE 3



Materials for Task 1

MATERIALE A1: IMMAGINI

BAR - RISTORANTE - CUCINA - CUOCO - AIUTO-CUOCO - LAVAPIATTI - CAMERIERE













MATERIALE A2: IMMAGINI

BIDONE – RIFIUTI – BICCHIERI - SAPONE – DETERSIVO – SPUGNA – GUANTI – SECCHIO E SPAZZOLONE – LAVELLO – POSATE – PIATTI – PENTOLE





Materials for Excersise 1

MATERIALE D: CHI CERCA TROVA: CERCA LA SPUGNA GIALLA, CERCA LA SPUGNA VERDE, CERCA IL DETERSIVO, CERCA IL SAPONE, CERCA I GUANTI ROSSI, CERCA I BICCHIERI BLU



MATERIALE F: TROVA QUESTE PAROLE: RIFIUTI - BIDONE - SAPONE - CUCINA

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Materials for Excercise 2

SCHEDA I: I COMPITI DI EWA

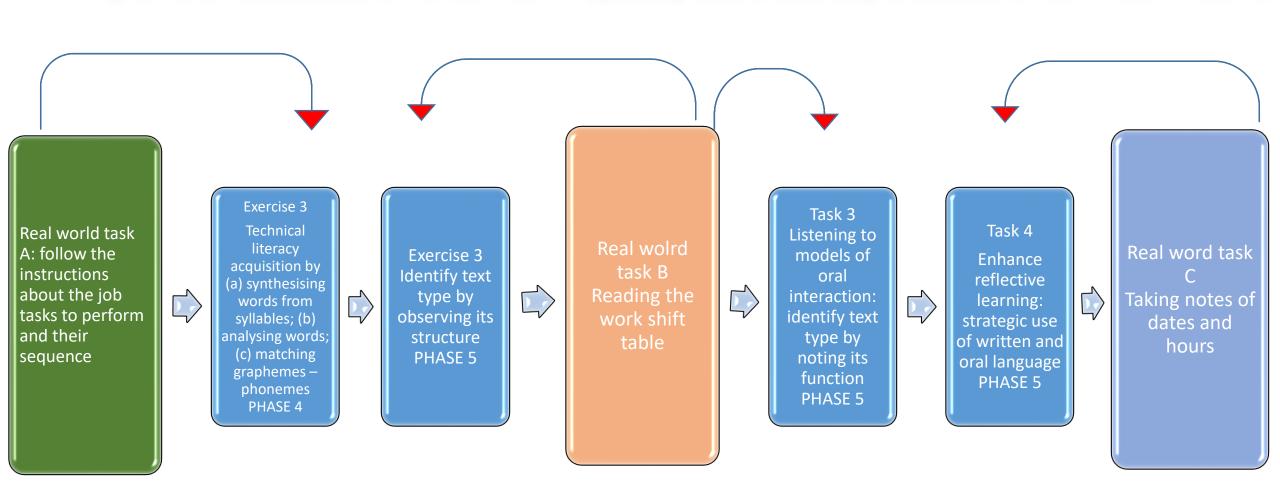


MATERIALE L: ASCOLTA E METTI LE IMMAGINI IN SEQUENZA

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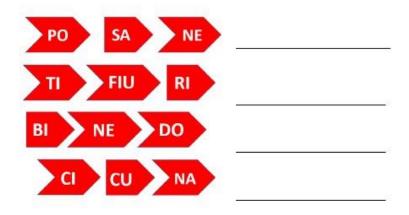
A sequence of activities



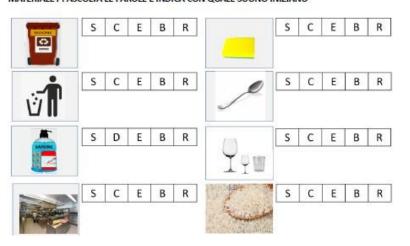


Technical Literacy

MATERIALE O: ASCOLTA E RICOMPONI LE PAROLE



MATERIALE P: ASCOLTA LE PAROLE E INDICA CON QUALE SUONO INIZIANO



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words to pictures)

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<u>https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pk5wigjz322</u> (lexical fields)
<u>https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pkkzjhpoc22</u> (kitchen devices and tools)

https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pm7ojb50n22 (target words puzzle)

https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pmrexz0bt22 (crossword with target words)

<u>https://learningapps.org/create?edit=pgazxqz5322</u> (target words and picture memory game)

https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pgnn01kot22 (write the target words)

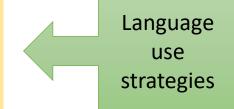
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https://learningapps.org/watch?v=pgd1knujt22 (complete the target words with syllables)



Reflective learning

- Ask the learners to help Ewa remember her shift. How can she remember her turn?
- Collect the answers and facilitate the discussion: Does she write a note in a notebook or on her mobile phone? Does she take a photo? Does she record a voice note in her own language?
- In pairs or small groups, learners choose and implement one of the ways to remember an event:
 - a. One pair/small group takes a photo with the mobile phone of the shift to be kept in the picture gallery as a reminder of their weekly work calendar;
 - b. One pair/small group writes their turn in the notebook;
 - c. One pair/small group can write a note on their mobile phone using an application (e.g. Notepad)
 - d. One pair/small group can record a voice note on their mobile phone using an application, in Italian or their own language, to record their weekly turn which can then be listened to autonomously.



Learning and teaching

Research tells us:

- Systematic instruction matters
- Phonics matters
- Tailoring teaching matters
- Relating to real life matters
- Active learning matters
- (Oral) vocabulary matters
- Reading experience matters
- Much practicing and variation matters
- Attention for fluency matters
- Using L1 in class (or another well know language) matters

In sum: Balance real life tasks and code learning

Tack!

Grazie!

Thank you!

Takk!

Kiitos!

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