PA Adult Education Lesson Rubric for English Language Arts (ELA) Lessons



Rating Scale:

- 3 Meets most to all of the criteria listed for the section.
- 2 Partially meets the criteria listed for the section.
- 1 Meets few to none of the listed criteria for the section.

The lesson must score an average of 2.75 to be recommended for the lesson bank. If the lesson scores below 2.75, recommendations for strengthening the lesson will be provided.

Section 1 Alignment with the Standards	Rating
Lesson Heading	3 2 1
 Lesson title describes the lesson topic and introduces lesson goals. NRS levels and content area are aligned with the identified standards and lesson content. Timeframe for lesson is appropriate. 	
 Prior knowledge and skills needed to begin working on the new skills in the lesson are indicated as appropriate. 	
Standards and Competencies	3 2 1
 CCR anchor and level-specific standards are clearly stated. (e.g. Reading Anchor 2, Level C: Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.) 	
 Lesson activities align with the skills of the identified standards. 	
 Workforce preparation skills are identified through the Transferable Skills. 	
 Digital literacy and technology skills are identified through the Digital Literacy Skills. 	
Key Instructional Shifts	3 2 1
 Complexity: Lesson exposes students to appropriately complex texts with a focus on building students' academic vocabulary in context. 	
 Evidence: Lesson encourages rich, evidence-based discussion and/or writing about common texts through text-dependent questions. 	
 Knowledge: Lesson provides students with opportunities to build knowledge about a topic through analysis of content-specific texts, including online resources. 	
Section 1 Reviewer Comments	

Adapted from:

Kentucky Adult Education. (2016.) *KYAE Lesson Repository. https://sites.google.com/site/kyaerepository/home/templates* Montana State University. (2021). *Lesson Plan Template*.

https://www.montana.edu/fieldplacement/documents/PDFs/DanielsonFrameworkLessonPlan.pdf

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Section 2 Lesson Preparation	Rating
Materials	3 2 1
 Selected texts allow the learner to attain and practice the skills in the lesson objectives and can be adapted to accommodate learners at different levels. The materials indicated, in addition to texts, are meaningful and appropriate for learners to meet the requirements of the objectives (e.g. level, rigor, relevancy, and interest). Lesson incorporates authentic materials, including digital tools, if available, and resources to support the learning objective. 	
Key Vocabulary	3 2 1
 Five to ten Tier 2 vocabulary words (academic language) from the texts are identified and incorporated into lesson activities. Vocabulary activities focus on building the academic language needed by students to meet the lesson objectives. Lesson describes how student mastery of the vocabulary will be assessed. 	
Lesson Objective(s)	3 2 1
 Lesson objectives align with the identified standards and lesson activities. Lesson objectives use action verbs and describe observable behaviors. Lesson objectives are specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and timebound (SMART). 	
Culturally Responsive Teaching	3 2 1
 Student resources regularly include authors, images, and ideas from a range of racial, cultural, linguistic, gender, and (dis)ability representations and backgrounds. Cultural representations and varied perspectives are fair and accurate. 	
Section 2 Reviewer Comments	

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 Lesson provides appropriate scaffolding, differentiation, intervention, and technology resources in order to support a broad range of learners. 		
 Lesson includes formative assessments that will be used to guide pacing and skill attainment throughout the lesson. 		
Digital Literacy Integration: 3	2	1
 Opportunities for additional support and/or enrichment through technology are included either during the lesson or for supplemental instruction. 	_	_
 Lesson includes an explanation of how student use of technology will be incorporated to support lesson objectives. 		
 Lesson describes how technology will be used to differentiate instruction, provide alternative ways for students to demonstrate competency, and/or teach the lesson to students remotely. 		

Section 3 Lesson Delivery	Rating
Reflection, Closure, and Connection	3 2 1
 Lesson describes, in detail, opportunities provided for student reflection. 	
 Lesson closure includes how student learning will be summarized (e.g., 	
references to prior and future learning).	
 Lesson closure includes a review of the lesson objectives. 	
Section 3 Reviewer Comments	

Overall Lesson Comments	
Lesson Strengths	
Areas to Improve	
Notes from Review Meeting	
Notes from Review Meeting	

Scoring	Rating
Consensus	Yes No
Total Score	
Average Score (Total Score / 13)	

Lesson Details	Lesson Information
Lesson Title and Author	
Reviewer's Name	
Time to Complete the Review	