

Language Experience Activity (LEA)

Purpose:

To provide beginning readers with familiar text.

Procedure:

1. The teacher writes down a story as the student dictates it. The story can be something that happened to the student, information about a hobby the student has, something the student has accomplished, an event the student has attended; in other words the story can be about anything the student wants.
2. The teacher/tutor writes the story in exactly the words the student uses, no changes in grammar or sentence structure.
3. The student reads the story back to the teacher.
4. The story can be used for word recognition, fluency, and comprehension activities.

For more information see the article "Language Experience Activities for Adult Reading Instruction at <http://literacy.kent.edu/Oasis/Pubs/0300-29.pdf>