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Goodbye 2016!

The end-of-year celebrations bring out the child in us... Our eyes are amazed by the gifts of love: the pleasure of loving and of being loved. In this New Year, let's become the child we once were.

Happy New Year 2017 from
Centre FORA's team!

Dates to remember in 2017

- January 27th – Family Literacy Day
- February 15th – National Flag of Canada Day
- February 20th – Family Day (Alberta, Ontario and Saskatchewan)
- March 20th – International Day of La Francophonie
- April 23rd – World Book and Copyright Day
- September 8th – International Literacy Day

Practitioner Requests

Tutoriel – La rédaction en écriture simple

Centre FORA often receives questions about tasks of different levels and written in clear writing.

This tutorial presents principles of clear writing to be used when developing resources for adult learners.

Clear writing is a way of presenting information so that it is simple to read and understand for newcomers, learners whose first language is different than the language of the text, low level readers and the general public.

The tutorial shows the following:

- What is clear writing?
- Why use clear writing?
- Myths surrounding clear writing
- Questions to ask yourself before writing
- 10 principles of clear writing
- Writing levels
- The Gunning Readability Test

The purpose of clear writing is to present a message in a way that allows the reader to understand it immediately. The text must use precise, concrete vocabulary and everyday words. The use of a common language gives low level readers the chance to understand the text. By producing clear texts, the practitioners are able to communicate more effectively with more readers and better support learners in achieving their goals.

View the tutorial *La rédaction en écriture simple* to learn about the ten principles of clear writing.

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La rédaction en écriture simple

Tutoriel



Coming in 2017

Webinars: You can follow the webinar that was held on November 24th and 29th 2016, and on January 6th 2017. A recorded copy of the webinar will be available under “NouvOh!” of Centre FORA’s Website for those wishing to view it.

Centre FORA Resources

Capsulerie FORA – Les petites bouchées interactives

To keep up with today's fast-paced life, learners and practitioners are looking to improve learning speed and efficiency. To this end, *Capsulerie FORA* invites learners to discover interactive learning “bites”.

- For learners: Learners are instantly captivated by the content and delivery of the concepts, from beginning to end. These morsels of learning facilitate the rapid transfer of knowledge so that it can be applied immediately.
- For practitioners: The concepts presented in these interactive morsels allow the learners to acquire knowledge without even realizing it. This new way of delivering training supports the learning plan, enabling learners to complete the learning bites alone or with little help.

Capsulerie FORA presents interactive and informative “bites” in various areas. In just a few minutes, learners are able to effectively use the calculator, differentiate homonyms, or participate in a competency-based activity.

So go ahead! Get to know these interactive learning “bites” and encourage learners to use them too!

S’outiller pour travailler

S’outiller pour travailler includes 15 “bites” targeting two goal paths: Independence and Employment. Each bite consists of three steps:

- The introduction
- The lesson
- An activity, “À ton tour” that allows the learner to practice and perform the task

The series of “bites” are for Level 1 and Level 2 tasks under the OALCF indicators.

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Calcul en construction

These 5 interactive “bites” are aimed at numeracy skills in the construction sector for hardware store clerk and bricklayer jobs.

- Painting and calculations
- Square feet and calculations
- Surface area of a rectangle
- Surface area of a triangle
- Square feet

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Capsulerie FORA - Les petites bouchées interactives (cont'd)

Anglicismes

These 4 interactive “bites” present common anglicisms in the labour market. The anglicisms are followed by an example of the use of these terms in English and the proper terms to use. They enable the learner to practice using the right terminology. Themes covered:

- Interviews
- Time management
- Human resources
- Customer service

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Français

These 20 interactive “bites” with audio cover the use of French homonyms and words often misused in our daily conversations. Each bite includes:

- An introduction with definitions, explanations and supporting images
- A series of short questions that test the concept presented
- Immediate feedback for each question and the option to start again

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Mathématiques

These 10 interactive “bites” with audio target numeracy concepts related to the competency "Understand and use numbers".

Themes covered:

- How to calculate medication doses
- How to calculate amounts of money given in appreciation for services (tips)

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Documents and Website Updates

Looking for a place where you can easily find task-oriented activities for LBS?

Recently, Centre FORA added resources on the Quill portal to continue supporting LBS practitioners who strive to improve the success of learners.

The Task-Based Activities Portal for LBS currently features 377 French-language tasks that prepare learners to take tests, use authentic documents in the workplace, pursue post-secondary education or live independently. These activities will help prepare learners to reach several milestones.

Tasks are first divided by goal path, by level and by competencies under the Ontario Adult Literacy Curriculum Framework (OALCF). A short description under the task title allows you to quickly decide whether this task can support your planning. Tasks are available in Word and PDF formats.

Under the «Ressources supplémentaires» section, you will find other resources: print materials, online resources, webinars / video recordings, and other resources. Be sure to check periodically for new material.

Navigating the portal and finding tasks is easy!

This gold mine is available for free at:

<http://taskbasedactivitiesforlbs.ca/francophone>.

Remember to share this information with your co-workers!

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Free subscription

Thot Cursus

Thot Cursus is a French language website dedicated to promoting the training and use of digital tools for education and culture.

Subscribe for free to Thot Cursus to receive a weekly publication that could include: articles, games, strategies, videos, etc.

You can also browse the website to find resources in all disciplines and professional fields such as:

- Administration
- Food
- Construction – Landscaping
- Digital Culture
- Education
- Computing
- Health
- Science
- Tourism
- Etc.

Subscribe



Examples of shared French resources in the free publications sent by Thot Cursus include:

Un module de jeu sur les compétences transversales

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Module : devenir e-parent

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Comment mieux écrire ses courriels?

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Enregistrer une conversation sur Skype

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Le non verbal et la formation

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Did you know that the stars * that appear above the articles in the Mon Journal indicate the reading level of the article?



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