

ProCitizen

Instructions for Library Staff

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Background

ProCitizen is an online course designed to prepare new Americans for the Civics, Reading, and Writing portions of the Naturalization Test administered by the USCIS.

The course is available in both English and Spanish, and is created using teaching materials provided by the USCIS.

Contents

ProCitizen covers each of the 100 questions from the Civics portion of the Naturalization Test, and the vocabulary for the Reading and Writing portions of the test.

Civics

Each of the 100 Civics questions is organized as a Unit in the course. Each Unit normally has the following components:

- Multiple Choice Question. Non-scored, meant to assess if student already knows the answer.
- *Instructional Video*. A brief narrated lesson with images covering the question, its answer, and relevant background information. English version closed-captioned.
- Spelling Quiz. A hangman-type quiz to practice the spelling of the answer.
- Writing Drill. A non-scored dictation exercise where the student writes the full answer.
- Writing Quiz. A scored dictation exercise where the student writes the full answer.
- Voice Comparison Drill. The student speaks the answer out loud, it is recorded, and played side-by-side with the narrator's answer. Meant to get the student to vocalize the answer.

Reading

All of the suggested vocabulary words/phrases for the Reading portion of the test are included in this Level, organized by topical Units (People, Civics, Places, Holidays, Question Words, Verbs, Function Words, Other Content). Each Unit has the following components:

- Listening Drill. The word/phrase is pronounced by the native speaker and the word/phrase is displayed onscreen.
- Spelling Quiz. A hangman-type quiz to practice the spelling of the word/phrase.
- Writing Drill. A non-scored dictation exercise where the student writes the full word/phrase.
- Writing Quiz. A scored dictation exercise where the student writes the full word/phrase.
- Voice Comparison Drill. The student speaks the word/phrase out loud, it is recorded, and played side-by-side with the narrator's answer. Meant to get the student to vocalize the word/phrase.

Writing

All of the suggested vocabulary words/phrases for the Writing portion of the test are included in this Level, organized by topical Units (People, Civics, Places, Months, Holidays, Verbs, Function Words, Other Content). Each Unit has the following components:

- Listening Drill. The word/phrase is pronounced by the native speaker and the word/phrase is displayed onscreen.
- Spelling Quiz. A hangman-type quiz to practice the spelling of the word/phrase.
- Writing Drill. A non-scored dictation exercise where the student writes the full word/phrase.
- Writing Quiz. A scored dictation exercise where the student writes the full word/phrase.

Quiz Scores

Quiz scores can be viewed by clicking the [MyStats) icon. Any quiz can be retaken. The most recent score is saved.

Accessing ProCitizen

Within Pronunciator

ProCitizen can be found in the English (American) course of Pronunciator, within any interface language. For example, a Spanish speaker would select "español" from the "I speak" menu, and then select "inglés (americano)" from the "I want to learn" menu. ProCitizen (in both English and Spanish) will be displayed as options on the resulting course menu.

Via a direct link

ProCitizen (English course only) can be accessed directly from a library web page via a simple hyperlink:

http://learning.pronunciator.com/getstarted-procitizen.php?library_id=<LIBRARY_ID>

Note that <LIBRARY_ID> must be replaced with your library's unique ID.

When accessing via the direct link, the patron can either log in with their existing Pronunciator student name/password, or create a new student name/password which will work in either Pronunciator or ProCitizen's direct link.

Promoting ProCitizen

A ProCitizen web graphic can be downloaded here:

http://www.pronunciator.com/web-graphics/

We also offer bilingual ProCitizen flyers in our shop:

http://www.pronunciator.com/shop/

Getting Support

Questions about ProCitizen can be submitted through our online ticket system at:

www.pronunciator.com/support/

or, during business hours, by phone at 800-328-1776