

BEST Plus™ 3.0 **BEST Literacy™ 2.0**

ADULT ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ASSESSMENTS

Updates on the *BEST Plus 3.0* launch, new opportunities for *BEST Plus 2.0* training, and more!

***BEST Plus 3.0* Launch**

The new generation of *BEST Plus* is almost here! *BEST Plus 3.0* training, tests, and materials – both computer-based and print-based versions – will be available for purchase on the [CAL Store](#) on **October 1st, 2024**.

Training for *BEST Plus 3.0* Test Administrators will also be available starting **October 1st, 2024** via a **self-paced self-access online training course** which will be **free of charge for a limited time** – until the end of March 2025. Completing the training is required for purchasing and administering *BEST Plus 3.0*. Other training options will be made available at a later date.

Both generations of BEST assessments: the current *BEST Literacy* and *BEST Plus 2.0*, as well as the updated *BEST Literacy 2.0* and *BEST Plus 3.0*, will be accepted for reporting data for the National Reporting System (NRS) through **June 30, 2025**. CAL will be offering both generations of BEST assessments until June 30, 2025. After this date, only the new generation of BEST assessments - *BEST Literacy 2.0* and *BEST Plus 3.0* – will be available for purchase and accepted for NRS reporting. Read more about this in the [Federal Register Official Notice](#).

Programs must use the same generation of assessment for pre-test and post-test. Read more about the new generation of *BEST* assessments and the transition on our [FAQ](#) page.

[BEST FAQs](#)

***BEST Plus 2.0* Test Administrator Training:
Registration Open!**

We are excited to announce that the **Fall 2024** Calendar for [BEST Plus 2.0 Test Administrator Training](#) is now posted! **Register now** for any session this fall: September, October, or November. This training is essential for everyone wishing to deliver and score the *BEST Plus 2.0* test.

BEST Literacy 2.0: New Training Option

Both generations of *BEST Literacy* assessments are now available from CAL: [BEST Literacy](#) and [BEST Literacy 2.0](#). Test Administrators wishing to purchase and administer either version of *BEST Literacy* must become familiar with the testing and scoring procedures outlined in the corresponding Test Manuals.

Users of *BEST Literacy 2.0* now also have an option of completing the self-access self-paced [training course](#) on administering and scoring *BEST Literacy 2.0*. The registration fee is \$50 per participant.

Register for BL 2.0 Course

Pricing

Pricing for the new BEST assessments is now available on the AEA website.

BEST Pricing Schedule

Enhanced Customer Support – Welcoming a New Team Member!

We are excited to announce an enhancement to our Customer Support team with the addition of a new support staff member! Our expanded team will be better equipped to assist you with any questions related to the BEST assessments. We are committed to ensuring that your experience is seamless, and our support staff will be available to provide timely and personalized assistance.

You can contact us via email at aea@cal.org or telephone:

1-866-845-2378, option 1 (toll free) *Monday – Friday 10:00am – 5:00pm ET.*

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