



Latino Adult Education Services

LAES has developed a series of immigrant issue instructional modules entitled "Tierra de Oportunidad" for orientation to our complex society.

Date: _____

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Module 6 "Access to Adult Learning Opportunities"

Please answer the four questions (Q1 through Q4) which appear on this and the following page. For questions Q1 and Q2, the question appears in the shaded boxes; the rest of the material is background information to use in answering the questions.

Background for Q1: Anna feels she is going through a crisis. She has been a housewife and a mother for all of her adult life. Her husband died a few years ago leaving her to raise her three young children. She speaks some English; and she has been taking care of other children in her home as a day care provider while her children were at home and also in need of day care. But, now all her children are in school. She is still doing child care at home to support herself and her family. Anna believes she can do many things and really wants to go out to work. Before she got married she wanted to work in the hotel industry. She got through the 9th grade (secundaria), but then she got married and never did go to work in a hotel. Now, however, she doesn't know what type of job she can get or what types of jobs are available to her. She is not sure about her skills and needs help. And, she is worried about how she can fit anything else in her life, like looking for a job. If she quits this work to look for another job, she may lose money; and this worries her too.

Q1. What resources can you recommend Anna use to help in her make some choices? Please list four resources you recommend and what you think Anna can learn from these resources. See highlighted example

Resource	What can Anna learn using this resource?
Example: Local community college	Anna can talk to the teacher of the vocational class to see if she can get into the class to get some new skills
1.	
2.	

3.	
4.	

Background for Q2: Anna says she feels too old to "go to college" and does not feel comfortable going to the resources you recommended.

Q2. What advice can you give her?

Anna, you should:

Q3. Did your work on access to adult learning opportunities help you?

For example, in your ability to	Yes/No	Please comment on either: < How you benefited; or < Why you feel this module was not useful for you in this area
a. Understand what's needed to get different kinds of jobs that interest you		
b. Where you can get advice about getting a different kind of job		
c. If it's important to take the time and trouble to do something to learn more about something if you already have a job		
d. The advantages and disadvantages of different kinds of programs for helping you gain new skills		
e. Ways of learning on your own-for example from books, television, or radio programs		
f. What makes a good learner and what kinds of help makes it easiest for you to learn well		
g. Who qualifies and how to apply for free employment training		

h. How to decide what you will get out of a course or training program; and if it's worth it		
i. How to overcome the difficulties in going to a program when you have other responsibilities		
j. The kinds of financial help you can get to go to a community college or trade school		
k. How to estimate how much money it's worth over the course of your lifetime to learn new skills required for a different occupation		

Q4. What have You Learned about communicating in English which will help you get a better job or pursue your career interests?

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