



## Free Online U.S. Citizenship Course

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## USA Learns Statistics

- Web pages viewed since 2008: **1.6 Billion**
- Number of website users: **11 Million**
- Average amount of time per visit: **25 minutes**
- Number of users per day: **9,000**
- Accessed by every country in the world



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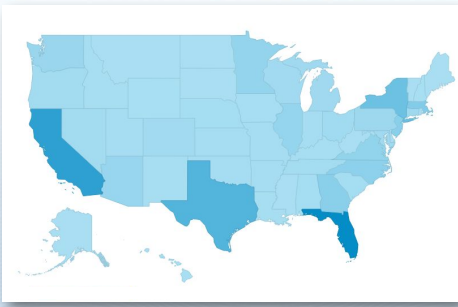
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# USA Learns Statistics



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# USA Learns Citizenship



Launched November 1, 2017

Today - 1 year anniversary!

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# USA Learns Citizenship Statistics

November 2017 – October 2018

- 110,649 learners
- 936,161 activities completed



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# USA Learns Citizenship - Quality Content

## Content developed in partnership with...

- Expert ESL and U.S. Civics Teachers
- Immigration attorneys at Immigrant Legal Resource Center
- USCIS program specialists



## Utilizes high-quality resources...

- Aligns with USCIS Adult Ed Citizenship education content standards and foundation skills
- Uses USA Learns best practices

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# What's on the test?

## Questions about your N-400 Application for Naturalization

- Are you eligible for citizenship? -- Is it possible for you to become a U.S. citizen?
- Are you telling the truth? -- Do your answers match the ones you wrote on the N-400?
- Are there errors on your N-400 application?
- Are there changes, such as a new address or a new workplace?
- Can you speak and understand English?

## U.S. History and Civics test

- 10 questions from the USCIS list of 100 questions. You must correctly answer 6.

## Reading and Writing test

- Read one sentence out loud and write one sentence in English. Get 3 chances to read and 3 chances to write one sentence correctly. Words come from the USCIS lists of words.

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# USA Learns Citizenship



Let's take a tour!

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# USA Learns Citizenship

## 10 Reasons to Become a U.S. Citizen



**You can stay in the United States.**

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# USA Learns Citizenship

## Requirements for Becoming a U.S. Citizen



"Do I meet these requirements?"

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# USA Learns Citizenship

## Red Flags



**Did you make trips outside of the U.S. for more than six months?**

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# USA Learns Citizenship

## Common Immigration Fraud



"If you've been in the U.S. for 10 years or more, you automatically qualify for a green card!"

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# USA Learns Citizenship

## Rights and Responsibilities

- ★ freedom of speech
- ★ freedom of expression
- ★ freedom of the press
- ★ freedom of assembly
- ★ right to petition the government
- ★ right to bear arms
- ★ freedom of religion



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# USA Learns - Teacher Side

<https://usalearns.org/teacher>

Welcome to USA Learns for Teachers!

A Free Site for Teaching English and U.S. Citizenship to Adults

Check out our English as a Second Language classes, monitor your students' progress and use many more features!

**Register**

Already registered? [Log In](#)

**Teachers use USA Learns to:**

- Create and share English and U.S. Citizenship classes based on USA Learns' Self-Directed Course, Self-Directed Course and Online English and Reading for U.S. Citizenship Course
- Enroll students in USA Learns classes
- Monitor progress of U.S. Citizenship
- Easily access class rosters and grade books
- Monitor USA Learns in the News

**Students use USA Learns to:**

- Learn English
- Prepare to become a U.S. citizen
- Practice their English listening and reading skills
- Practice English speaking, listening, reading, writing and grammar
- Check for understanding and receive immediate feedback
- Learn vocabulary, American English and life skills

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# USA Learns - Teacher Side

Register

Teacher Registration

Are you a **TEACHER** or **library staff** who wants to teach English to U.S. citizenship students? Please complete this form to add your class and student classes to your account. We'll contact you later for your registration.

**Are you a STUDENT?** Please register here.

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22 Programs, 19 Locations

How do teachers and library staff use USA Learns?

1. Register
2. Create your class
3. Monitor student progress
4. Monitor student progress in the new English and U.S. Citizenship course

Have any questions? Try our Search & Contact!

Register now! [Click to return to home](#)

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# USA Learns - Teacher Side

Create a New Class

New Class

Create your new class by filling out the information below.

**Title:**  
The title of this class is displayed to users of U.S.A. Learns.

**Based on Course:**

**Description:**  
A description of the purpose, goals, and objectives of this class.

**Start Date:**  
10/20/2018

**End Date:**

**Create My Class**

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# USA Learns - Teacher Side

The screenshot displays the USA Learns Teacher Side interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with options like Home, Instructions, Resources, Apps, About Us, and Student Site. Below this is a header with roles: Administrator, Course Author, Work To Do, and Teacher. The main content area is titled 'My Home' and includes instructions on how to start a new class or manage existing ones. A 'Class Overview' section contains a table with columns for Title, End Date, Enrollment, and Class Key. A red arrow points to the 'Class Key' column for the '2nd English Course' row, with a callout box that says 'Share your class key with learners'. Another red arrow points to the '2nd English Course' row, with a callout box that says 'Select a course name for more details'. To the right, there are sections for '2 writing activities to grade', 'Messages', 'Change my password', 'Change my email address', 'Change my name', and 'News for teachers'.

Title	End Date	Enrollment	Class Key
1st English Course	n/a	0	2a627949
2nd English Course	n/a	1	648195f
Andrew's Demo Class	n/a	2	b310181a

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# USA Learns - Teacher Side

The screenshot displays the USA Learns Teacher Side interface, specifically the 'Student Gradebook' for a '2nd English Course' student named 'Wills, Andrew'. The interface shows a table with columns for Title, Attempts, Completed, Time, and Score. The table is organized into units: Unit 1: Workers and the Workplace, Unit 2: Workers and the Workplace, and Unit 3: Workers and the Workplace. The table shows progress for various activities like 'Let's Watch', 'Learning Goals', 'Learn New Words', 'Definition Match', and 'Listening Match'. A red arrow points to the 'Score' column for the 'Let's Watch' activity, with a callout box that says 'Share your class key with learners'. The footer includes the Sacramento County and Butte County logos.

Title	Attempts	Completed	Time	Score
Let's Watch	6	10/22/2016	00:04:32	---
Learning Goals	7	10/23/2016	00:01:03	---
Learn New Words	1	2/23/2017	00:01:54	---
Definition Match	1	2/21/2017	00:01:34	100%
Listening Match				+
Say It				+
Spelt It				+
Unit 1: Workers and the Workplace -- Job and Career Advancement -- Introduction & Vocabulary				+
Unit 2: Workers and the Workplace -- Job and Career Advancement -- Story Start-Up				+
Let's Watch	6	11/2/2017	00:09:06	---
Comprehension Check	1	1/29/2018	00:00:52	70%
What did they say?				+
Unit 3: Workers and the Workplace -- Job and Career Advancement -- Vocabulary Part 2				+

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# Libraries Helping Immigrants

- **Objective 1:** Train library staff to utilize USA Learns as an educational tool
- **Objective 2:** Utilize New Americans Campaign, ILRC, USCIS resources, including webinars & training for library staff to make referrals assisting immigrants with the naturalization process & legal issues
- **Objective 3:** Distribute multilingual flyers, posters, bookmarks and animations that support target groups
- **Objective 4:** Deliver an awareness campaign to libraries across California sharing this project & related resources

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# Creative Implementation



## Butte County Library

A mobile library takes USA Learns to 40 adults at the Gridley Farm Labor Housing camp in California.



"I liked seeing the interview videos best. Every part of the application is here, but I didn't know what the interview would be like. Practicing makes me feel better."

- Josefina (Migrant Worker)

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# USA Learns in Libraries

## Learning Models

- Conversation groups
- Drop-in sessions
- Online learning
- Blended learning
- Learning circles



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# USA Learns in Libraries

## Learning Circles

### What are they?

Lightly facilitated peer-learning model for adults working through course materials face-to-face, with a facilitator



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# USA Learns in Libraries

## Learning Circles



How might you roll out USA Learns in your library?

- Set up a projector and computer and go through USA Learns' online lessons together.
- Discuss the content.
- Ask and answer questions.
- Practice listening, speaking and comprehension.
- More!

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# Praise From Experts

"I'm not aware of another free resource that is this in-depth and prepares applicants for ALL aspects of the naturalization interview. The combination of reading, writing, listening and speaking practice makes this course ideal for many levels of citizenship students."

- Jennifer Gagliardi,  
U.S. Citizenship Teacher

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# Thank You!



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