Ability Based Learning Education, Western Australia ABLEWA

The ABLEWA program has been developed to support the teaching and learning of students with disabilities and additional learning needs through the provision of resources and assessments which can assist teachers in curriculum planning, designing and implementing documented plans, and teaching and learning.

The ABLEWA program is free to all schools and utilises materials from the Western Australian P-10 Curriculum across all subject areas, with the exception of Languages, (using the content descriptors and achievement standards for Stages A to D). The program uses an assessment tool to identify students' readiness to learn across three learning domains:

- English- Reading and Writing,
- English Speaking and Listening and,
- Personal and Social capabilities

Online resources include professional learning courses and an assessment tool.

The online professional learning courses consists of five modules, each requiring approximately 30 minutes of participation, providing information on:

- Legislative provisions, reasonable adjustments and equitable participation
- Instructions on completion of tasks
- Interpretation of reports
- Linking report information to curriculum planning, teaching and learning.

It is recommend that teachers undertake the professional learning courses before administering the assessment tool.

The assessment tool supports teachers to:

- Assess students readiness to learn across the three domains
- Develop an appropriate documented plan
- Develop appropriate learning goals
- Monitor student's progress
- Identify learning resources

The assessment tool provides four reports

- Learning readiness
- Profile report
- Class report
- School report

For more detailed information on the ABLEWA resources http://k10outline.scsa.wa.edu.au/home/resources/ablewa