



Foundation Skills Assessment Tool

Fact sheet

The Foundation Skills Assessment Tool (FSAT) is now available for use. Funded by the Department of Education and Training, FSAT is an interactive online tool designed to identify and measure an individual's foundation skill levels (English language, literacy and numeracy skills as well as employability skills). These skills are fundamental to participation in the workforce, the community and in adult education and training.

The Department of Education and Training is currently working with the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) to finalise and validate FSAT.

Who can benefit from using FSAT?

FSAT will provide valuable information to trainers and educators such as Registered Training Organisations, enabling them to assess their clients' foundation skill levels, and identify skills and knowledge where additional development may be beneficial. This, in turn, will assist students and job seekers, by targeting the areas where individuals may require additional support.

Why participate in this phase of development?

By participating in this phase of FSAT development, you will be helping to ensure that a final **and free** version of FSAT is available as quickly as possible. We invite you to use the tool and provide feedback.

How can I find out more about FSAT?

Further information on FSAT, including how to access the tool, and answers to 'Frequently Asked Questions' (FAQs), is available at: <http://www.education.gov.au/foundation-skills-assessment-tool>. Important information is also provided on conditions and caveats regarding the use of FSAT.