

INTRODUCTION

Over the years, we have evaluated and treated numerous adults with neurological impairments. Many were unable to function independently in activities of daily living because they could not complete tasks that involved numbers. Unfortunately, a therapy manual with functional numerical activities covering a wide variety of topics, skill levels, and abilities was not available. This led us to develop *WALC 7*.

Our ideas have been used with adults of all ages, educational experiences, and cultural backgrounds. Activities include word problems, calendar/planner exercises, time, money exchanges, and checkbook register tasks. Each activity was designed to reflect situations that one might encounter during everyday life. Therapists are encouraged to select tasks based upon interest, previous experience, and individualized needs of their patients. In addition, if a patient is accustomed to using a calculator, please have one available.

We hope that you find our therapy manual useful as you help adults who want to regain independence in a world filled with numbers.

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