# Mentor's notes: Reading glasses



#### 1. Checklist of documents

- · List of key words
- Key messages
- TAP Reading glasses E-Chart.

### 2. Checklist of equipment

- Tablets / computers
- Head phones
- Notebook and pen
- Reading glasses in a range between +1 +3
- Tools and spare parts for basic reading glass maintenance and repairs. For example, mini screwdrivers, magnifier, spare parts for reading glasses (depending on the type of reading glasses being provided).

#### 3. Group discussion opportunities and activities to prepare for

Topics with interactive sections		Suggested instruction and mentor's planning notes	
Lesson one: Introduction			
Topic two: Description of standard reading glasses	<b>Discussion</b> Are reading glasses commonly available in your area? Where are they available, and in what strengths?	This is a good opportunity to make sure everyone is clear about the difference between reading glasses and prescription glasses.	
	Activity  Have a close look at the reading glasses available to you.  • Are there different frame sizes? If so, what are the differences?  • What strengths do they come in?	Make sure learners have access to the reading glasses that will be available to them to provide.	
	(At the end of topic 2, which is the last topic in the lesson)  Discussion forum  If you have any questions or comments, post them on the discussion forum	Mentors to clarify for learners if they should use the discussion forum on the TAP platform, or a different chat – e.g. local WhatsApp group.	
Lesson two: Providing reading glasses			
Topic one: Select	Activity Look at the reading glasses E-Chart. Note that the chart has five rows of Es of different sizes. The smallest is N8 and the largest is N63. The numbers describe a standardized font size. Which is the smallest row that you can clearly see?	Make sure learners have the reading glasses E-Chart.	

Topics with interactive sections		Suggested instruction and mentor's planning notes
Topic three: Use	Activity Identify any screws on the reading glasses you have available to provide. Check whether you have a screwdriver / screwdrivers available that fit the screws you have identified. Practise gently tightening the screws.	Make sure learners have mini screw drivers and spare screws to practice this skill.
Topic four: Follow up	Discussion  Do you, or do you know someone who has presbyopia?  If yes, think about the experience you, or the person you know, has had with presbyopia.  Has it changed over time? What happened?	
	Activity Using a spare pair of reading glasses, practice:  Replacing a missing screw in the hinge Removing and replacing a nose pad.	Make sure learners have tools and spare parts (if available) to practice this skill.

## After completing this module learners need to practice providing reading glasses through:

- 1. Supervised role play with colleagues
- 2. Supervised practice with clients.

Mentors may use the skills checklist to monitor and discuss the learner's progress in gaining competency (safe and efficient practice).