

**Q: What is an RBT®?**

**A:** RBT® is the acronym commonly used for a Registered Behavior Technician. The BACB defines the RBT® as a paraprofessional certification in behavior analysis. A RBT® assists in delivering behavior analysis services. They practice under the direction and close supervision of a RBT® Supervisor. In ABA services, the RBT® is frequently the one who is responsible for the majority of the direct care for the client and for data collection throughout these services.

**Q: What is Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)?**

**A:** ABA is a scientific approach to understanding behavior. ABA refers to a set of principles that focus on how behaviors change, or are affected by the environment, as well as how learning takes place. ABA implements established principles of learning, behavioral strategies, and environmental modifications to improve and teach new behaviors. The ultimate goal of ABA is to establish and enhance socially significant behaviors. Such behaviors can include academic, social, communication, and daily living skills; essentially, any skill that will enhance the independence and quality of life for the learner.

**Q: Who is this course for?**

**A:** While this course is specifically designed to meet the requirement of the 40-Hour training that is part of the process in becoming a RBT®, this course is for everyone who wants to get foundational behavior science knowledge. This course is especially recommended for anyone who works in education.

**Q: What is covered in this course?**

**A:** This course covers the foundational concepts of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) as outlined by the [RBT Task List \(2nd Edition\)](#).

**Q: Will I be an RBT® after I finish this course?**

**A:** Not quite yet. The course is a step in the process of becoming a RBT®. After the course is completed, you still need to take the practical assessment and the written exam in order to complete the process. You can read more about this process in the [RBT® Handbook](#).

**Q: Can Coronado Adult Education take me through the entire process of becoming an RBT?**

**A:** Maybe. In order to move through the entire process of becoming a RBT®, it is necessary to identify a BCBA® supervisor to provide ongoing support for your work as a RBT®. If you are an employee of Coronado Unified School District, the course instructor, Nora Menzies, can provide you with this supervision. If you are not an employee of the district, you will need to identify an outside supervisor to take you through this process.

**Q: I have to leave early, come late, or can not attend a meeting. Can I still participate in the course?**

**A:** You can still participate. However, you will not be eligible for receiving the certificate for the completion of the 40 hour training. In order to meet the requirements for the certificate, all sessions must be attended in their entirety.

**Q: I still have questions. Who can I talk to?**

**A:** You can reach out to the course instructor, Nora Menzies at [Nora.Menzies@coronadousd.net](mailto:Nora.Menzies@coronadousd.net).