

Download and Installation Instructions

Print this page of download instructions, installation procedures, and computer requirements. You may need to refer to it or show it to your system administrator or webmaster.

Security

You may need your system administrator's approval before downloading and installing a new software program. Your IT security officer may also need to approve. Please advise your IT security officer (and any other members of your IT or CIO staff who might need to know) that this application was designed for use by the U.S. Government and U.S. Government contractors. It complies with the Defense Information Systems Agency's "Application Security Checklist," Version 2, dated 19 August 2005. It has no "mobile code" (such as JAVA applets), no Active X controls, and does not make any changes in the registry when installed on your system. The software has been reviewed and found to be virus-free and contains no "Trojan horse" code, no "spyware," or any other similar harmful programming code.

Scripting Language

A scripting language is used in a web environment for two-way communication between your web server and the respondents who answer your quiz questions. It is needed to tell both you and the respondent whether the respondent's answers are right or wrong.

ABS uses the Microsoft Active Server Page (ASP) scripting language. If your web server does not support the ASP scripting language, you will not be able to use ABS in a web environment. You will be able to use it on your local network.

Download Instructions

Create an empty folder in which you will save the ABS download package. Click on the [abs_install.zip](#) link below. This will open a WinZip dialog box. Click on Extract or follow directions for unzipping and extracting the files. Save these files in the folder that you created for this purpose.

[abs_install.zip](#)

MD5 checksum is available from the PERSEREC website.

Installation Instructions

If your organization's security procedures require that new programs can only be installed by the system administrator, ask this person to handle the installation process. The folder that you created and where you saved the download package will have eight files and one folder. Clicking on the setup.exe file initiates an automatic installation program. Clicking your way through this installation program unzips the ABS files, installs them on your computer, adds new menu items to your program menu, and adds ABS Developer and ABS Presentation Program icons on your computer desktop. It also

creates an ABSWeb folder on your hard drive containing the web pages. Clicking on the Developer Program icon (an American flag) on your desktop opens the ABS program.

Note: If you have a previous version of ABS, version 1.3 or more recent, you do not need to uninstall it. The new version will install over the old version and replace only the changed files. Any briefings you have developed and records of the respondents who completed these briefings will not be affected.

Minimum System Requirements

To install and run the ABS Developer Program, you should have the following:

Windows 95 or higher

For best web viewing results, Windows Internet Explorer 4.x or Firefox 4.x or higher

5 megabytes of free disk space

32-bit ODBC driver (typically pre-installed on newer computers)

Super VGA monitor

- minimum of thousands of colors
- minimum screen area of 800 x 600 pixels