

**English Language Learner**  
**English Language Proficiency Levels - Codes**

LANGUAGE CLASSIFICATION IS A LOCAL ELEMENT. THE CODES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Previous Language Classification Level			New Language Classification based on ACCESS for ELLS 2.0 Composite (Overall) English Language Proficiency Levels		
LC Code (TERMS)	LC Definition	LC Full Definition	NEW LC Code (TERMS)	NEW LC Definition	LC Full Definition
A1	NON-ENGLISH SPEAKER OR MINIMAL KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH	<b>Beginning English Speaker</b> Non-English Speaker or minimal knowledge of English. Demonstrates very little understanding. Cannot communicate meaning orally. Unable to participate in regular classroom instruction.	<b>Level 1</b> (Ranges from 1.0 to less than 2.0)	ENTERING	<b>ENTERING</b> - Pictorial or graphic representation of the language of the content areas; <b>produces words, phrases, or chunks of language; processes single statements or questions.</b>
A2	LIMITED ENGLISH SPEAKERS; DEMONSTRATES LIMITED UNDERSTANDING	<b>Early Intermediate English Speaker</b> Demonstrates limited understanding. Communicates orally in English with one or two word responses.	<b>Level 2</b> (Ranges from 2.0 to less than 3.0)	EMERGING	<b>EMERGING</b> - General language related to the content areas; <b>produces phrases or short sentences; processes multiple related simple sentences.</b>
B1	INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH SPEAKER, COMMUNICATES ORALLY IN ENGLISH, MOSTLY WITH SIMPLE PHRASES AND/OR SENTENCE RESPONSES	<b>Intermediate English Speaker</b> Communicates orally in English, mostly with simple phrases and/or sentence responses. Makes significant grammatical errors which interfere with understanding.	<b>Level 3</b> (Ranges from 3.0 to less than 4.0)	DEVELOPING	<b>DEVELOPING</b> - General and some specific language of the content areas; <b>produces short and some expanded sentences in oral interaction or written paragraphs; processes discourse with a series of related extended sentences.</b>
B2	INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH SPEAKER, COMMUNICATES IN ENGLISH ABOUT EVERYDAY SITUATIONS WITH LITTLE DIFFICULTY	<b>Early Advanced English Speaker</b> Communicates in English about everyday situations with little difficulty but lacks the academic language terminology. Experiences some difficulty in following grade level subject matter assignments.	<b>Level 4</b> (Ranges from 4.0 to less than 5.0)	EXPANDING	<b>EXPANDING</b> - Specific and some technical language of the content areas; <b>produces and processes a variety of sentence lengths of varying linguistic complexity in oral discourse.</b>
C1	ADVANCED ENGLISH SPEAKER, UNDERSTANDS AND SPEAKS ENGLISH FAIRLY WELL	<b>Advanced English Speaker</b> Understands and speaks English fairly well. Makes occasional grammatical errors. May read and write English with variant degrees of proficiency.	<b>Level 5</b> (Ranges from 5.0 to less than 6.0)	BRIDGING	<b>BRIDGING</b> - Specialized or technical language of the content areas; <b>oral or written language approaching comparability to that of proficient English peers when presented with grade level material</b>
C2	FULL ENGLISH SPEAKER; UNDERSTANDS AND SPEAKS ENGLISH WITH NEAR FLUENCY	<b>Fluent English Speaker</b> Understands and speaks English with near fluency. Reads and writes English at a comparable level with native English-speaking counterparts. May read and write the native language with variant degrees of proficiency.	<b>Level 6</b> (6.0)	REACHING	<b>REACHING</b> - Specialized or technical language reflective of the content areas at grade level; <b>oral or written communication in English comparable to proficient English peers.</b>
D	FULL ENGLISH SPEAKER; SPEAKS ENGLISH FLUENTLY	<b>Dominant English Speaker</b> Speaks English fluently. Reads and writes English at a comparable level with English-speaking counterparts.	D	FULL ENGLISH SPEAKER; SPEAKS ENGLISH FLUENTLY	<b>Dominant English Speaker</b> Speaks English fluently. Reads and writes English at a comparable level with English-speaking counterparts.
E	MONOLINGUAL ENGLISH SPEAKER	<b>Monolingual English Speaker</b>	E	MONOLINGUAL ENGLISH SPEAKER	<b>Monolingual English Speaker</b>
U	UNABLE TO CLASSIFY	UNABLE TO CLASSIFY	U	UNABLE TO CLASSIFY	UNABLE TO CLASSIFY
T	TEMPORARY	TEMPORARY	T	TEMPORARY	TEMPORARY