

Proficiency Levels for Conversation and Fluency (Short-Term Programs)

Proficiency Band	High-Beginning	Pre-Intermediate	Intermediate	High-Intermediate	Advanced
Level	1	2	3	4 - 5	6 - 8
Program	Conversation & Fluency		Conversation & Fluency	Conversation & Fluency	
Students will progress when they are able to...	<p><b>Make statements and ask questions</b> in the present tense to describe people, places, and things</p> <p><b>Pronounce</b> consonant and vowel sounds in English with mostly correct lip, tongue, and mouth positions</p> <p><b>Read and listen</b> to main ideas and details of basic text and simple conversations in English</p> <p><b>Write</b> simple and compound sentences about familiar topics</p>	<p><b>Make statements and ask questions</b> in the present, past, future tenses about basic needs and common activities as well as request information and clarification</p> <p><b>Pronounce</b> consonant and vowel sounds in English with correct lip, tongue, and mouth positions</p> <p><b>Read and listen</b> to basic English, take notes, and use English to communicate about some of the new information read and heard</p> <p><b>Write</b> short passages with mostly accurate word order, vocabulary choice, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation</p>	<p><b>Participate</b> in conversations on familiar topics, give advice and ask for suggestions</p> <p><b>Use</b> common syllable and word stress patterns while producing sentences</p> <p><b>Read</b> short passages for main ideas and details while using skimming and scanning skills</p> <p><b>Listen</b> and respond to dialogues, radio and TV programs</p> <p><b>Write</b> paragraphs using good mechanics while responding to informational texts read and conversations heard</p>	<p><b>Discuss</b> current topics using agreement and disagreement to give opinions</p> <p><b>Use</b> common rhythm and intonation while producing sentences in conversations</p> <p><b>Read and listen</b> to a variety of texts and discussions while guessing meaning from context and inferring author's/speaker's opinions</p> <p><b>Write</b> short formal and informal paragraphs and compositions with emphasis on organization and register</p>	<p><b>Lead and take part in discussions</b> on current topics in both formal and informal spoken English while recognizing and resolving communication problems</p> <p><b>Produce</b> a variety of speech samples with focus on the specific sounds and other aspects of pronunciation such as accurate word stress, rhythm, and intonation</p> <p><b>Read and listen</b> to a variety of texts and discussions for main ideas and details while inferring point of view and attitudes</p> <p><b>Write</b> paragraphs and compositions using North American rhetorical styles and patterns for formal and informal English</p>
Program	Live Online Conversation		Live Online Conversation	Live Online Conversation	
Students will progress when they are able to...	<p>Students will improve listening, speaking, vocabulary, and grammar by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>making statements and requesting information and clarification related to basic needs and common activities</li> <li>describing people, places, and things</li> <li>starting and maintaining simple conversations using target vocabulary for common topics</li> </ul>		<p>Students will improve listening, speaking, vocabulary, and grammar by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>participating in conversations on familiar topics</li> <li>giving advice and asking for suggestions</li> <li>recognizing, understanding, and using target vocabulary for common topics</li> </ul>	<p>Students will improve listening, speaking, vocabulary, and grammar by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>leading and taking part in discussions and giving opinions on current topics</li> <li>agreeing/disagreeing and recognizing and resolving communication problems recognizing, understanding, and using target vocabulary for common topics</li> </ul>	
Program	Live Online Conversation & Fluency				
Students will progress when they are able to...	<p><b>All Conversation outcomes listed above, plus students will learn to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>correctly position their lips, tongue, and mouth in order to properly pronounce both consonants and vowels in English</li> <li>identify syllable and word stress, rhythm, and intonation and produce sentences with these features</li> <li>produce a variety of speech samples with focus on the specific sounds and aspects of pronunciation studied during the session</li> </ul>				