At this Benchmark, I can:

understand a range of moderately complex reading materials

When:

- the text is moderate in length
- the text is factual, descriptive or argumentative with opinions and implied meanings
- the vocabulary includes a range of concrete, abstract or specialized terms, and idiomatic language

Interacting with Others

 Understand personal and public social messages for a variety of purposes.

For example:

- a personal email expressing appreciation, complaint, hopes, satisfaction, or dissatisfaction
- a letter from a friend relating some bad news

Getting Things Done

Scan formatted texts (such as course calendars, directories, and website navigation menus) to find and use 3-4 pieces of information.

For example:

- course eligibility criteria, start date, and pre-requisites
- Get information from moderately complex business texts.

For example:

- a performance review
- a public health advisory

Comprehending Instructions

Follow instructions with up to about 13 steps or 5-10 paragraphs for tasks that may be specialized or technical.

For example:

- how to remove a computer virus
- how to assemble a piece of furniture

Comprehending Information

 Understand extended descriptions, reports, and stories about familiar topics.

For example:

- a short research report
- Interpret and use information in charts, diagrams, tables, graphs, and flow charts.

For example:

- a flow chart illustrating a company reporting system
- Use information from different online reference sources.

For example:

reports of an event in 2 online newspapers