

Some Features of Communication Across Stage II Speaking

CLB 5 Initial Intermediate Ability	CLB 6 Developing Intermediate Ability	CLB 7 Adequate Intermediate Ability	CLB 8 Fluent Intermediate Ability
Communication is face-to- face, on the phone, or via digital media with one person at a time or in small groups.	 Communication is face-to- face, on the phone, or via digital media with one person at a time or in small groups. 	 Communication is face-to- face, on the phone, or via digital media with one person at a time or in groups. 	 Communication is face-to- face, on the phone, or via digital media with one person at a time or in groups.
Familiar, mostly concrete topics.	 Familiar, mostly concrete topics. 	 Familiar, concrete and some abstract topics. 	 Familiar, concrete and some abstract topics.
Tasks require connected discourse.	 Tasks require connected discourse. 	 Tasks require connected discourse. 	Tasks require connected discourse.
Situation is somewhat predictable.	 Situation is somewhat predictable. 	 Situation may be somewhat unpredictable. 	 Situation can be unpredictable.
Interaction ranges from informal to formal.	 Interaction ranges from informal to formal. 	 Interaction ranges from informal to formal. 	 Interaction ranges from informal to formal.
 Presentations are informal or semi-formal, up to about 5 minutes long and supported by pictures and visuals. 	 Presentations are semi-formal or formal, up to about 7 minutes long, and supported by pictures and visuals. 	 Presentations are semi-formal or formal, up to about 10 minutes long and supported by pictures and other visuals. 	 Presentations are semi-formal or formal, up to about 20 minutes long and may be supported by pictures and other visuals.
 Interaction in a small group may be a discussion with a moderator or a facilitator who is encouraging and supportive. Context is moderately demanding. 	 Interaction in a group can be a small-group discussion or meeting. 	 Interaction in a group can be a small-group discussion or meeting. 	 Interaction in a group can be a debate, discussion or meeting.
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