





Levels of English Language Proficiency

ESLAO – Beginner

- Understand, read and retell simple stories
- Give and respond to straightforward directions and instructions
- Write assertive, negative and interrogative sentences
- Write a short structured composition following a model

ESLBO – High Beginner

- Maintain face-to-face conversations on familiar topics
- Use short sentences to give opinions
- Skim a paragraph to find main idea and scan text to find specific information
- Write simple and compound sentences in answering written questions
- Write a short composition following a teacher's outline

ESLCO – Intermediate

- Take part in conversations on a range of topics
- Take notes from a passage using a graphic organizer in preparation for writing
- Identify a writer's or character's point of view
- Use a variety of simple, compound and complex sentences with some accuracy
- Write short expository paragraphs in response to a reading

ESLDO – High Intermediate

- Discuss or explain ideas or issues
- Identify and explain literary elements (theme character, plot and setting)
- Identify facts and opinions
- Write a passage of 3 or more paragraphs to develop a central idea

ESLEO – Advanced

- Express, support and elaborate a point of view
- Analyze literary elements (themes, character, plot, setting)
- Infer meaning of unfamiliar words from context
- Write a coherent response to literature which analyses, interprets, and evaluates information and ideas

