English as an Additional Language (EAL) Listening & Speaking Continuum

New to English Early Acquisition Becoming Familiar Listens attentively to an English speaker with guidance. Begins to listen attentively to an English speaker. Begins to follow illustrated stories and classroom instruction Follows one-step directions. Follows two-step directions. Follows multi-step directions. Uses context cues to respond appropriately to classroom Begins to use English in social situations. Responds to greetings with single words and/or phrases. Begins to respond to simple questions with one-word Responds to greetings with phrases. Responds to greetings with nods and gestures. Responds to simple questions with more than one-word Responds to simple questions with guidance. Begins to express needs and give basic information (e.g., answers. "I'm fine" and "this car"). Expresses needs in English with single words and gestures. Uses different language functions in discussions (e.g., Participates orally in classroom discussions with guidance. predicting and describing) with guidance. Responds during classroom discussions with nods and Participates in classroom discussions and offers opinions gestures. Uses some basic classroom vocabulary. and feedback with guidance. Participates non-verbally in the classroom. Understands everyday classroom and subject area Begins to understand classroom and subject area language. language with guidance. Names simple objects with guidance. Begins to use expanding vocabulary that is less context-Begins to repeat new English words and phrases clearly. Repeats English words and phrases with guidance. Begins to communicate using short phrases and simple Echoes single words and/or short phrases. language patterns, producing telegraphic sentences (e.g., "I Begins to speak English clearly. Produces single words and/or stock phrases with guidance. want to go shop buy toy."). Communicates using short phrases and simple language

Becoming Competent

Demonstrates enthusiasm about learning English.

Becoming Fluent

Practices English and tries newwords and phrases.

Fluent

☑ Begins to use connected discourse (e.g., "Yesterday I go

pool and I swam.").

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and/or feedback of Paraphrases oral Uses English in subsection of Expresses needs Expresses ne	information with guidance. cocial situations. It to more complex questions. and gives information independently. stions to clarify content and meaning. The complex language functions (e.g., I reasoning) within an academic context. Extensive vocabulary, using some abstract subject area words. The complex area language with sing, or clarification. The complex utterances using phrases, The complex utterances usi	Uses more extensive vocabulary, using abstract and specialized subject area words independently.	language with native competence. Uses vocabulary approximating that of a native speaker.
Shows interest in	improving language skills and accuracy.		

Pronunciation and Fluency

✓ Grammar

Listening and Comprehension

Oral Expression

Vocabulary