

Language Functions at Each Level

beginner

Engage in greetings

-Engage in greetings: participating in meeting and leave-taking routines using appropriate verbal and non-verbal culturally appropriate behaviors

Give self introduction

-Give self introduction: providing information about oneself in a group or one-to-one situation in a culturally appropriate way

Use formulaic expressions

-Use formulaic expressions: employing set phrases or words in a socially and traditionally appropriate manner

Ask questions about others

-Ask questions about others: eliciting information about other people

Express numbers 1-100

Express days of the week

-Express days of the week: identifying a day according to its position in the week

Tell/ask clock time

-Tell and ask time: expressing or inquiring about the time of day in either exact or appropriate terms

Identify things

-body parts, classroom objects, animals, pets, foods, beverages

Identifying things

-attaching a name or label to something, including processes or states of being

experienced

beginner

-Report routine events

-Report routine events: stating that events occur regularly or habitually

-Express location

-Express location: indicating the physical location of a person or object

-Express likes and dislikes

- Report future events: stating that events are yet to come, expressing the notion of expectancy of an event or action
- Ask for specific item
- Ask for a specific item: requesting that something be handed over or provided
- Identify/describe physical features (relative size, color, qualifiers, etc.)
- Identify and describe physical features: attaching a label or classifier representing a concrete attribute of something.
- Compare things: comparing or contrasting qualities of things in relation to each other
- Describe things: expressing attributes of concrete or abstract things
- Issue/respond to invitations
- Issue and respond to invitations: making and accepting/refusing offers to engage in an activity
- Describe mode
- Describe mode: stating the means by which some action is accomplished
- Make suggestions
- Make plans: negotiating with someone regarding coordinated future action
- Make suggestions: offering a plan of action as an option
- Express quantity
- Express ability
- Express ability: indication that one is more or less capable in some area of endeavor
- Express physical conditions
- Express own physical condition: indicating one's own state of health or source of ill health

advanced

intermediate



- Express wants and needs
- Express wants and needs: declaring what one would like to have occur with varying degrees of urgency
- Request assistance

- Confirm obtained information: checking to make certain that a statement has been correctly understood
- Express opinions
- Express supposition and predictions: stating one's belief about the probability that something will take place
- State reasons: giving justification for some action, event or state
- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation about a topic beyond the most immediate needs
- Narrate simple sequence about the past, present, and future
- Describe sequences of events: expressing a series of event in the order in which they occur
- Give advice
- Give directions: explaining procedures or series of action to another person
- Give simple commands and instructions: telling another person to perform an action
- Negotiate transactions
- Identify, state, and understand feelings
- Express attitudes and personal feelings: showing one's affective attitude towards a person or thing
- Use culturally appropriate language, e.g. ceremonial language