



LANGUAGE EQUIVALENCY TABLE

LEVEL	READ	WRITE	SPEAK	UNDERSTAND
FLUENT	Can read articles and reports concerned with contemporary problems in which the writers adopt particular attitudes or viewpoints. Can understand contemporary literary prose.	Can write detailed text on a wide range of subjects related to personal interests. Can write reports, giving reasons in support of or against a particular point of view. Can write letters conveying the personal significance of events and experiences.	Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible. Can take an active part in discussion in familiar contexts, accounting for and sustaining own views.	Can understand extended speech and follow even complex lines of argument provided the topic is reasonably familiar. Can understand most TV news and current affairs programmes.
CONFIDENT	Can understand texts that consist mainly of high frequency, everyday or job-related language. Can understand the description of events, feelings and wishes in personal letters.	Can write simple connected text on topics which are familiar or of personal interest. Can write personal letters describing experiences and impressions.	Can deal with most frequent situations while travelling in an area where the language is spoken. Can enter unprepared into conversation on topics that are familiar, of personal interest or pertinent to everyday life.	Can understand the main points of clear standard speech on familiar topics. Can understand the main point of many radio or TV programmes on current affairs or topics of professional interest when the delivery is slow and clear.
BASIC	Can read very short, simple texts. Can find specific predictable information in simple everyday material and can understand short simple personal letters.	Can write short, simple notes and messages relating to matters in areas of immediate needs. Can write very simple personal letters.	Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a direct exchange of information on familiar topics and activities.	Can understand phrases and the highest frequency vocabulary related to areas of most immediate personal relevance (e.g. very basic personal family introduction).