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ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP) DESCRIPTORS AND PROGRESS TRACKING Humber's English for Academic Purposes (EAP) program provides you with the practical English language skills to ensure you succeed in your future academic and professional goals.

Our descriptor and progress checklist is designed as a guide and reference to help you reflect on your language learning as you study in Humber's EAP program.

How can I use this checklist?

- Use it when you are doing your homework to help you meet the assignment objectives.
- · Use it to think about what areas you need to learn in your current and future levels.
- Use it to look back on previous learning so you can think about what you still need to practice.
- Look at it at the start of a course and again in the middle and the end. Check off what you feel you know during the course.
- · Compare this with your friends, ask them to mark off what they think you know.

(PLEASE CHECK ONE) ->			NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can understand basic greetings and farewells (e.g. "hello", "goodbye" and "good morning").
\frown	0	0	0	I can understand simple personal questions when people speak slowly and clearly (e.g. "What's your name?", "How old are you?", "What's your address?").
(\mathbf{G})	0	0	0	When listening to a conversation, I can understand words and short sentences, provided that people speak very slowly and very clearly.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can understand simple questions about daily life about my family or myself.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can understand simple, everyday expressions (e.g. thank you, sorry or excuse me).
LISTENING	0	0	0	I can recognize and understand numbers, prices, and times in short, clear and simple messages.
	0	0	0	I can understand the days of the week and the months of the year.
	0	0	0	I can recognize names, words and phrases and use them to understand very simple sentences, if there are pictures.
	0	0	0	I can understand simple questionnaires well enough to give basic personal details about me or my needs (e.g. name, address, date of birth, etc.).
READING	0	0	0	I can understand very simple instructions for language activities and tasks if they have pictures and I am familiar with the task.
	0	0	0	I can understand basic words and phrases on signs (e.g. "open", "exit", "no smoking" or "bathroom").
	0	0	0	I can understand simple greeting and messages from my teachers, classmates or school administrators on paper (e.g. invitations) or electronically (e.g. email).
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can use the alphabet to find words in a paper ESL dictionary.
	0	0	0	I can use simple numbers (e.g. prices or telephone numbers).
	0	0	0	I can use basic expressions for greetings and goodbyes. I can ask people about how they are feeling.
Eng	0	0	0	I can interact in a simple way, asking and answering basic questions if I have a chance to repeat, correct and get help.
SPOKEN	0	0	0	I can ask and answer simple questions like "What's your name?" or "How old are you?" if the other person speaks slowly and is very helpful.
INTERACTION	0	0	0	I can ask people questions about where they live, people they know or things they have, etc. and answer such questions provided they are articulated slowly and clearly.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can buy things in shops where pointing or other gestures can support what I say.
	0	0	0	I can answer the phone, give my name and answer very simple questions (e.g. "When is Mrs. Jones back?").
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can say "hello", "goodbye", "please", "thank you" and "sorry".
	0	0	0	I can give personal information (e.g. address, telephone number, nationality, age, family, and hobbies).
SPOKEN	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can very simply describe myself, my family and where I live.
PRODUCTION	0	0	0	I can ask for help.

(PLEASE CHECK ONE) ->			NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can write about myself and where I live, using short, simple phrases.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can write simple sentences about myself (e.g. where I live and what I do).
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can complete a questionnaire and basic information forms with my personal details.
	0	0	0	I can write a personal greeting to my teachers, classmates and friends.
	0	0	0	I can write a simple e-mail message to a classmate, friend or family member.
WRITING	0	0	0	I can write a simple appointment request to a teacher.
	0	0	0	I can complete a registration or application form well enough to give the most important information about myself (e.g. name, surname, date of birth, nationality).
	0	0	0	I can use basic, polite greetings, farewells and introductions (e.g. "please", "thank you", sorry", etc.).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can speak in very short phrases and isolated words.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can memorize short phrases for specific purposes with reasonable accuracy.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can join simple phrases using words like "and" or "then".
OUALITY	0	0	\bigcirc	I can communicate very basic information about myself and my family in a simple way.
	0	0	0	I have a very basic set of words and simple phrases about family, personal details and simple, everyday situations.
ш	0	0	0	I can establish contact with people using simple words, phrases and gestures.
	0	0	0	I can show that when I do not understand.
STRATEGY	0	0	0	I can ask somebody to repeat what they said.



(PLEASE CHECK ONE) -	ALWAYS		NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can understand simple phone messages like, "We're arriving tomorrow at four thirty".
	0	0	0	I can understand people describing objects and possessions (e.g. colour and size).
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can understand simple questions and instructions addressed clearly and slowly to me.
U	0	\bigcirc	0	I can understand numbers and times in clear announcements from a teacher during class.
LISTENING	0	0	0	I can understand simple directions such as about how to get from X to Y on foot or by public transport, provided that people speak very slowly and very clearly.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can slowly read very short, simple texts by understanding familiar names, words and basic phrases.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can find basic information in print and electronic advertising from the school or businesses.
	0	0	0	I can understand information about people (e.g. place of residence, age, etc.) in a text if there is visual support.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can follow short, simple written directions (e.g. how to go from X to Y).
READING	0	0	0	I can understand short messages from teachers, classmates, and school administrators in print or electronically.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can understand instructions for completing familiar classroom tasks.
	0	0	0	I can understand basic information in a print or electronic ESL dictionary.
	0	0	0	If asked, I can provide basic, prepared information like introducing myself–saying my name, where I come from, where I live, and what I do.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask how people are and respond to the news.
	0	0	0	I can ask and answer simple questions in a direct conversation using simple statements on very familiar topics (e.g. family, school, job) with some help.
SPOKEN	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask and answer questions about describing clothing and other familiar objects.
INTERACTION	0	\bigcirc	0	I can ask and answer questions about where to find a book or other object.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask for directions (e.g. "Where is the International Centre?").
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask people for things and give people things when asked.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can greet people and say goodbye in different ways, formally and informally.
\square	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can introduce myself, say my name, where I come from and what I do.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe what I can or can't do and what other people can or can't do.
À O	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe my family members, their ages and what they do.
SPOKEN	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe where I live.
PRODUCTION	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe what I like and don't like (e.g. with regards to sports, music, school, colours).
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can use simple words to describe something (e.g. for example its size, shape or colour).

(PLEASE CHECK ONE) -	ALWAYS	Sometimes	NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can complete a questionnaire with my personal details.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write a simple message (e.g. where I am, the weather and my feelings about my holiday).
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can write about myself using simple language (e.g. information about my family, school, job, hobbies, etc.).
	0	0	0	I can write about things and people I know using simple language (e.g. descriptions of friends, what happened during the day).
WRITING	0	0	0	I can complete a questionnaire with information about my educational background, job, interests and skills.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write a simple message (e.g. to make or change an invitation or an appointment).
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can write a short message to friends to give them personal news or to ask them a question (e.g. a text or postcard).
	0	0	0	I can write a period, comma and apostrophe with accuracy.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can correctly use some simple structures that I have memorized.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can speak slowly in a series of very short phrases, stopping and starting as I try to say different words.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can greet people, ask for things and say goodbye correctly.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can join phrases with words like "and", "but", "because" or "then".
QUALITY	0	\bigcirc	0	I can communicate limited information about myself, my family and my job during a simple and direct exchange.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I have a basic set of phrases to talk about myself and communicate in common, everyday situations.
ш	0	0	0	I can ask somebody to speak more slowly.
	0	0	0	I can very simply ask somebody to repeat what they said more slowly.
STRATEGY	0	0	0	When I don't know a word I can ask for help with a gesture.



(PLEASE CHECK ONE)			NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can understand simple information and questions about family, people, homes, school and hobbies.
	0	0	0	I can understand what people say to me in simple, everyday conversation, if they speak clearly and slowly and give me help.
6	0	0	0	I can understand short conversations about family, hobbies, and daily life, provided that people speak slowly and clearly.
.31	0	0	0	I can generally identify topic changes in discussions taking place around me, provided people are speaking slowly and clearly.
U	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can understand short, simple stories when they are told clearly and slowly.
LISTENING	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can recognize key information to take notes using a guided format.
LIJILING	0	0	0	I can follow changes of topic in discussions and understand the main information if people speak slowly.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main information in public announcements if people talk very clearly (e.g. weather reports, etc.).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can understand short, simple texts containing familiar vocabulary.
	0	0	0	I can find the most important information in print and electronic advertising, schedules, calendars, and itineraries, etc.
	0	0	0	I can use print or electronic ESL dictionaries to find what I want and understand the most important pieces of information.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in short, simple news items and descriptions if I already know something about the subject (e.g. news about sports or famous people).
READING	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in short newspaper/magazine stories, especially when they are illustrated.
	0	0	0	I can understand and follow instructions written in simple language on tests, assignments, school safety signs, and directions.
	Ο	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask people how they feel in different situations, and say how I feel.
	0	0	0	I can ask and answer simple questions about my home and country, school and free time, likes and dislikes.
	0	0	0	I can ask and answer simple questions about a past event, such as the time and place of an orientation or social event, who was there and what happened.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can make and accept invitations, or refuse invitations politely.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can offer and accept simple apologies (e.g. I'm sorry).
SPOKEN	0	0	0	I can have short conversations with friends and ask and answer simple questions about familiar topics (e.g. hobbies, pets, music, sports).
INTERACTION	0	0	0	I can discuss plans and make simple arrangements with other people (e.g. what to do, where to go, when to meet).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask for and give opinions, and agree or disagree in a simple way.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask for and give directions using a map or plan.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can give and follow simple directions and instructions (e.g. explain how to get somewhere).
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can communicate in routine, everyday situations, in and out of class.

(PLEASE CHECK ONE) ->	ALWAYS		NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can describe myself, my family and other people.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe my education and my present or last job.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can describe my hobbies and interests.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can describe my home and where I live.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can talk about my plans for the weekend or on my next holiday.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe places I like (for example towns, holiday resorts).
À Đ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can say what I usually do at home, at work and in my free time.
SPOKEN	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe plans, arrangements and alternatives.
PRODUCTION	0	0	0	I can describe past activities, events and personal experiences (e.g. what I did on the weekend, while on holiday).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can describe a job or study experience.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can explain why I like or dislike something.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	If I have time to prepare, I can briefly explain and give reasons for my actions and plans.
	0	0	0	If I have time to prepare, I can give basic information about something I know well (e.g. a country, a sports team, a band, etc.).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write about myself using simple language (e.g. information about my family, school, hobbies, etc.).
	0	0	0	I can write about things and people I know well using simple language (e.g. description of friends, what happened during the day, etc.).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write very short, basic descriptions of past activities, personal experiences and events.
LIÈI	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can complete a questionnaire with information about my educational background, my interests and my skills.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write a simple message (e.g. to make or change an invitation or appointment).
WRITING	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write a short message to give personal news (e.g. journal assignment) or to ask a question (e.g. e-mail).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write messages, short letters and e-mails making arrangements or giving reasons for changing them.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write short letters or e-mails, describing everyday things to people I know well.
	Ο	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I have enough vocabulary to communicate in simple, everyday situations.
	0	0	0	I know enough vocabulary for everyday situations and topics, but I need to search for the words and sometimes must simplify what I say.
	Ο	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can link ideas with simple connectors (e.g. "and", "but", "because", etc.).
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can use common connecting words (e.g. "first", "then", "after", "later", "finally").
QUALITY	0	0	0	I can use simple phrases for specific situations, but I often make basic mistakes (e.g. mixing up tenses, forgetting to use the right endings, etc.).
QUALITY	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can talk to people politely in short exchanges, using everyday forms of greetings and addresses.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can socialize with classmates simply but effectively, using basic common expressions and routines.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can communicate what I don't understand and ask for clarification.
LU I	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can start, maintain or end a short conversation in a simple way.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask somebody to repeat what they said in a simpler way.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	When I can't think about a word, I can use compensation strategies (e.g. body language or gestures).
STRATEGY	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	When I can't think of a word, I can use a "wrong" or simpler word and ask for help.
STRATEGT	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can check written sentences for mistakes (e.g. subject-verb agreement, pronoun and article agreement, etc.).
	0	0	0	I can often correct basic mistakes in simple structures if I have time and receive a little help.





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LEVEL 4

(PLEASE CHECK ONE)			NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can understand enough information from what classmates, teachers, and campus service provides say or ask to be able to meet my immediate needs if people talk slowly and clearly.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can generally identify changes in the topic of discussion.
.21	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can follow the main points of a short TV news report on a familiar topic, if visuals are available.
U	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can understand short stories when they are told clearly and slowly.
LISTENING	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can understand when people talk to me about everyday things, as long as I can ask for help.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in short, clear, and simple messages, announcements, and instructions (e.g. how to complete an assignment).
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in short newspaper article, academic passages on familiar subjects that contain high-frequency academic, job-related, or school-related language, with or without pictures.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can understand and follow instructions written in simple language, in and out of class.
	0	0	0	I can use everyday reference materials in print or online (e.g. ESL dictionary, thesaurus, yellow pages, etc.) to find what I want and understand it.
READING	0	0	0	I can understand short, everyday stories (e.g. graded readers) about familiar subjects if the text is written in simple language.
	0	0	0	I can understand simple texts, emails and letters from classmates, instructors, friends or colleagues (e.g. when organizing a meeting or requesting instructions for missed classes).
	0	0	0	I can request and give advice or information about course content, study habits, and college life to classmates and instructors.
	0	0	0	I can have short conversations with friends and ask and answer simple questions about familiar topics (e.g. weather, hobbies, pets, music, sports).
	0	0	0	I can give and follow simple directions and instructions (e.g. explain how to get somewhere on campus such as the Test Centre or Writing Centre).
	0	0	0	I can exchange information, discuss plans, or arrange to meet classmates, teachers, or school administrators using the telephone or computer programs such as Skype or Google Hang Out.
SPOKEN INTERACTION	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can request and give opinions and agree or disagree in a simple way during a group discussion.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can have a conversation about a past experience.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask and answer simple questions about things in the past (e.g. yesterday, last week, last year).
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can discuss different things to do and places to go.
	0	0	0	I can have a conversation about most everyday situations on campus (e.g. having lunch, using the library, accessing services).
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can describe experiences now and in the past (e.g. work, studies, holidays}.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can explain plans for the future (e.g. weekend, holidays, after graduation}.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can contribute ideas to a discussion about course content or an academic subject that I know well.
\mathbf{O}	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I describe with many details locations on campus, in the city, and other places.
SPOKEN PRODUCTION	\bigcirc	0	0	If given time to prepare, I can briefly explain and give reasons for actions and plans in an academic presentation.
Reported	0	0	0	If given time to prepare, I can give an academic presentation using basic information and research about something I know well (e.g. a country, sports team, band, etc.).
	0	0	0	I can summarize simple stories from graded readers that I have read, relying on the language used in the story.

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(PLEASE CHECK ONE)			NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can write simple texts (e.g. journal posts) about an experience or event in the past.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can describe my everyday environment (e.g. classroom, school, community).
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can write a letter of invitation.
	0	0	0	I can write an email to ask for help from a classmate or instructor, or a thank-you letter to accept or decline an invitation.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can write a description of an individual or a character.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can write down the keywords during an oral presentation.
WRITING	0	0	0	I can write short messages, letters and emails to make arrangements or give reasons for changing them (e.g. not coming to class, being sick, doing a make-up test).
	0	0	0	I can write brief and simple paragraphs on academic subjects of interest and my everyday life in simple sentences (e.g. people, places, job, family, school, hobbies, etc.).
	0	0	0	I can complete a simple questionnaire (e.g. online Blackboard quiz) or standardized report form (e.g. SFQ) using short sentences.
	0	0	0	I have enough vocabulary to talk about familiar everyday situations and academic topics, but I need some time to search for words and sometimes I must simplify what I say.
	0	0	0	I can generally communicate the main points of what I want to say, though sometimes the message is simplified.
	0	0	0	I can use common connecting words such as "because", "for", "because of", "the cause of" to write an academic paragraph.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can use sequential words like 'first', 'then', 'after', and 'later' to help tell a story.
QUALITY	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can use some simple structures correctly in academic contexts and in everyday situations.
QUALITI	0	0	0	I can participate in a longer conversations about familiar academic topics from course readings, but I often need to stop and think or start again in a different way.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can socialize simply but effectively using common expressions and routines.
u	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can start, maintain, or end a short conversation in a simple way.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can ask somebody to repeat what they said in a simpler way.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	When I can't think of a word, I can use a substitute or simpler word and ask for help.
STRATEGY	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can often correct basic mistakes in simple structures, if I have time and a little help.

(PLEASE CHECK ONE)	ALWAYS		NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points of clear standard speech on familiar, everyday subjects, provided there is an opportunity to get repetition or clarification when needed.
0	0	0	0	I can understand the main points of discussion on familiar topics in everyday situations when people speak clearly, but I sometimes need help in understanding details.
3	0	0	0	I can follow clearly spoken, straightforward, short talks on familiar or adapted lectures on academic topics.
LISTENING	0	0	0	I can identify the main and supporting ideas in a talk, lecture, video/DVD or podcast by using basic note-taking procedures in a guided format.
	0	0	0	I can understand simple technical information, such as operating instructions and routine processes (e.g. opening a bank account).
	0	0	0	I can explain the content of short texts I have read.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in straightforward factual texts on subjects of personal or professional interest, well enough to discuss them afterwards.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can comprehend guided outlines of readings from academic texts.
	0	0	0	I can recognize all writing modes (e.g. comparison, description, process) studied so far, as they appear in course readings.
READING	0	0	0	I can find and understand the information I need in brochures, magazines, pamphlets, web sites and library databases.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in short newspaper and magazine articles about current and familiar topics.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can follow simple instructions for the purpose of an academic process.
	0	0	0	I can understand simplified versions of novels, and follow the story line in clearly structured short stories, with some effort and regular use of a dictionary.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in short, clear informal and formal letters and e-mails relating to my personal and professional interests, provided I can use a dictionary.
	0	0	0	I can briefly explain and justify my opinions.
	0	0	0	I can start, maintain and close simple face-to-face conversations on topics that are familiar or of personal interest to me.
	0	0	0	I can express and respond to feelings and attitudes like surprise, happiness, sadness, interest and disinterest.
	0	0	0	I can give or seek opinions in an informal discussion with friends, politely agreeing or disagreeing.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can give or seek opinions in a formal discussion in an academic setting.
SPOKEN	0	0	0	I can give practical instructions on how to do something, (e.g. cooking, buying a ticket from a machine or using software).
INTERACTION	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can find out and pass on uncomplicated factual information.
	0	0	0	I can ask for and follow detailed instructions.
	0	0	0	I can manage unexpected things that happen in daily life, (e.g. losing a cell phone, needing a doctor, etc).
	0	0	0	I can make arrangements on the telephone or in person (e.g. booking flights, rental cars, restaurants, cinema tickets, etc.)
	0	0	0	I can have simple telephone conversations with people I know.

(PLEASE CHECK ONE)	ALWAYS	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can express and explain my feelings about something that I have experienced, with only some hesitation.
\mathbf{A}	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can give descriptions on a variety of familiar subjects.
SPOKEN	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can give a short, prepared presentation on a researched area
PRODUCTION				(e.g. "Team Building in Business") and answer clear questions.
OTHER SKILLS	0	0	0	I can effectively organize and smoothly integrate key words from presentation software (e.g., PowerPoint, Prezi, etc.) into a presentation.
	0	0	0	I can produce continuous writing that is generally intelligible and the spelling and punctuation are accurate enough to be followed most of the time.
	0	0	0	I can summarize new information, with some hesitation, on familiar subjects from various sources and present it to others.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write, short comprehensible connected texts on familiar subjects.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write straightforward, detailed descriptions on a range of familiar subjects.
	0	0	0	I can collate short pieces of information from a limited number of sources and summarize them for another person.
WIDITING	0	0	0	I can paraphrase short written passages in a simple fashion, using some of the original text wording and ordering.
WRITING	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can write simple texts about experiences or events, describing my feelings and reactions.
	0	0	0	I can write a description of an event, real or imagined.
	0	0	0	I can write a text or brief report on factual information.
	0	0	0	I can write a clear, well-developed paragraph with a topic sentence, relevant supporting details and a conclusion on an assigned academic topic.
	0	0	0	I have a large enough vocabulary to talk about my news and current events.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can talk in detail about my experiences, opinions and reactions in relation to academic text.
	0	0	0	I have good control of elementary vocabulary but major errors still occur when expressing more complex thoughts or handling unfamiliar topics and situations.
	0	0	0	I can make the other person understand the points that are important to me when I explain something.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can link a series of short phrases into a connected sequence of points.
QUALITY	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can express myself reasonably accurately in familiar, predictable situations.
	0	0	0	I can keep a conversation going, but sometimes I have to pause to plan and correct what I am saying.
	0	0	0	I can repeat back part of what someone has said, to confirm that we understand each other.
UU	0	0	0	I can help to solve practical problems, saying what I think and asking others what they think.
	0	0	0	I can ask someone to clarify or elaborate what they have just said.
	0	0	0	I can ask for confirmation that a form is correct and correct some basic mistakes if I have time to do so.
STRATEGY	0	0	0	When I can't think of a word, I can use a word meaning something similar and invite "correction" from the person I am talking to.





(PLEASE CHECK ONE) -		SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points of an extended lecture or presentation if the speaker is speaking clearly.
	0	0	0	I can understand straightforward information about everyday study or work-related subjects, identifying both general messages and specific details, provided people speak clearly and in a familiar accent.
'21	0	0	0	I can follow video lectures and TV programs on topics of personal and academic interest when people speak clearly.
	0	0	0	I can follow clear speech directed at me in classroom conversation, even in different accents.
LISTENING	0	0	0	I can follow a lecture or talk within my own field, if the subject matter is familiar and the presentation is clearly structured.
	0	0	0	I can understand information in classroom announcements and other recorded, factual texts if they are delivered in a clear, standard speech.
	0	0	0	I can understand technical directions/instructions (for example, using Blackboard, reading medicine labels or installing computer software).
	0	0	0	I can identify the main conclusions of a persuasive academic text arguing a specific point of view.
	0	0	0	I can find practical information in various sections of long informational texts from a website or academic journal.
	0	0	0	I can identify information that is implied in reasonably straightforward academic texts with some guidance.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points in straightforward texts on subjects of personal or professional academic interest.
READING	0	0	0	I can quickly read simple, factual texts in magazines, brochures or websites and identify information that may be of practical use to me.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main arguments in an academic journal, factual text, or website well enough to make some connections to real-life situations.
	0	0	0	I can read with some independence, using dictionaries and other reference sources when necessary.
	0	0	0	I can ask classmates or instructors what they think about a topic of general interest and/ or class.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can discuss a graded reader, video lecture, YouTube video, movie, taped lecture song, group, or music video.
	0	0	0	I can give practical instructions on how to do something (e.g. cooking, fixing, installing, building something).
	0	0	0	I can have a sustained conversation in person, on Skype, or on the phone in which I give and ask for opinions, information, or advice related to course readings or topics.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can explain a problem to a classmate or instructor and suggest a solution.
SPOKEN INTERACTION	0	0	\bigcirc	I can express my opinions on abstract topics and ask others what they think.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can compare and contrast alternatives, discuss what to do and where to go, etc.
	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	I can engage in extended guided discussions on academic topics.
	0	0	0	I can find out and communicate somewhat detailed information reliably, asking follow up questions and requesting clarification when necessary.
	0	0	0	I can make routine telephone calls (e.g. to make or cancel an order, booking, or appointment).

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	0	0	0	I can clearly describe an incident or accident that happened on campus, effectively communicating all points.
	0	0	0	I can express my feelings about something experienced and explain why I felt that way.
	0	0	0	I can develop an academic argument and communicate the main points well enough to be followed in group discussion or class presentations, without difficulty, most of the time.
SPOKEN PRODUCTION	0	0	0	I can give a prepared academic presentation and answer clear questions from classmates and instructors.
	0	0	0	I can summarize non-routine academic information on familiar subjects from various electronic sources, and present it to others.
	0	0	0	I can write essays about familiar topics, using cause and effect, or comparing and contrasting different opinions.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can write blog posts, discussion threads, letters and emails describing experiences and feelings.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can write standard formal letters following a template (e.g. cover letters).
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can describe what I want to do in the future.
WRITING	0	\bigcirc	0	I can tell a story following the sequence of events.
	0	0	0	I can summarize a variety of familiar academic subjects, well enough for others to follow the story or argument.
	0	0	0	I have a sufficient range of vocabulary to describe unusual and predictable situations, and to express my thoughts on abstract, cultural, everyday, and academic topics.
	0	0	0	I can explain the main points relating to an idea, problem, or argument with reasonable precision.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can use connecting words to link sentences into a coherent sequence of thought, with some "jumps".
	0	0	0	I can communicate with reasonable accuracy in familiar contexts, though there may be noticeable influences from my mother tongue.
QUALITY	0	0	0	I can express myself relatively easily when talking freely on known topics and I keep the conversation going effectively without help, despite occasional pauses to plan and correct what is being said.
	0	0	0	I can use uncomplicated language to interact in a wide range of situations in a natural way.
	0	0	0	I can politely interrupt an instructor, group discussion, or presentation when I do not agree or have not understood.
	0	0	0	I can start a conversation on topics that are of personal interest or related to course content, and I can move the conversation forward by expressing and responding to suggestions, opinions, attitudes, feelings, advice, etc.
	0	0	0	I can join in a discussion on a familiar academic topic, using a suitable phrase to do so.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can summarize what has been said in order to move the discussion forward.
STRATEGY	0	\bigcirc	0	When I can't think of a word, I can use a different word to explain what I want to say.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can repeat what I want to say in a different way if people do not understand me.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can often correct my mistakes when people point out that I have made one.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can be polite when I choose to be often even when I interrupt or disagree.



LEVEL 7

(PLEASE CHECK ONE)	ALWAYS		NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can follow the essentials of lectures, reports and other forms of complex academic or professional presentation in my field even if I am unfamiliar with the subject, as long as the subject is not too specialized.
	0	0	0	I can generally follow the main points and many particulars of an extended discussion around me, if people talk clearly.
(\mathcal{D})	0	0	0	I can easily understand straightforward information about study or work-related topics, identifying both general messages and specific details, provided people speak clearly and in a familiar accent.
LISTENING	0	0	0	I can usually understand what is said to me in standard spoken language, with minimal clarification required.
	0	0	0	I can follow the main points of lectures, talks, podcasts and other forms of academic presentations.
	0	0	0	I can identify the main ideas and supporting details in a talk, lecture, podcast or video by using effective note-taking techniques in free format.
	0	0	0	I can understand the main points and many particulars, in simple texts about subjects of personal or professional interest, using dictionaries and other reference sources when necessary.
	0	0	0	I can rapidly grasp the content and the significance of news, articles and reports on topics connected with my interests or my job, and decide if a closer reading is worthwhile.
READING	0	0	0	I can read with a large degree of independence, using dictionaries and other reference sources when necessary.
	0	0	0	I can generally understand articles, reports and reviews in which the writers express specific points of view (e.g. social commentary, critiques, films, etc.).
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can understand clear, fairly long instructions as long as I can reread difficult sections.
	0	0	0	I can develop an argument well enough to allow another person to understand without difficulty, most of the time.
	0	0	0	I can take an active part in conversation, clearly expressing my viewpoints, ideas or feelings with effective turn-taking, when the topic is familiar or interesting.
SPOKEN	0	0	0	I can evaluate advantages and disadvantages and participate in decision-making, during formal or informal discussion.
INTERACTION	0	0	0	I can sustain my opinions by providing relevant explanations, arguments and comments if the discussion isn't too fast and I have time to think.
	0	0	0	I can use a limited number of cohesive devices to link thoughts into reasonably clear, coherent discourse, though there might be some "jumpiness" during longer conversations.
	0	0	\bigcirc	I can give a prepared presentation and answer basic questions.
	0	0	0	I can communicate with reasonable grammatical accuracy, with good control of errors and clearly indicating what I am trying to express.
	0	0	0	I can give clear, detailed descriptions on a wide range of subjects including abstract, cultural and academic topics.
	0	0	0	I can develop a clear argument, linking my ideas logically and expanding and supporting my points with appropriate examples.
SPOKEN PRODUCTION	0	\bigcirc	0	I can develop/express clear arguments in a formal debate, supporting my position using relevant research.
	0	0	0	I can present a topical issue in a critical manner and analyze the advantages and disadvantages of various options.
	0	0	0	I can summarize information and arguments from a number of sources, such as articles, reports, discussions, interviews, presentations and lectures.

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(PLEASE CHECK ONE)			NOT YET	
	0	0	0	I can write at length about topical issues, though complex concepts may be simplified. I can correct many of my mistakes in the process, if I have sufficient time to plan, research, write, and revise.
	0	0	0	I can give clear, detailed descriptions on a wide range of subjects related to my fields of interest.
WRITING	0	0	0	I can write a paper supporting or refuting a particular point of view and explaining the advantages and disadvantages of various options.
	0	0	0	I can write a clear thesis statement, corresponding topic sentences and provide relevant details to support my argument.
	0	0	0	I can use relevant details, including citations, to support data and/or arguments for reliable and valid sources.
	0	0	0	I can summarize extracts from news items, interviews, documentaries and lectures containing opinions, arguments and discussions.
	0	0	0	I can write with reasonable accuracy and can correct mistakes if I have a lot of time to edit, or if they are pointed out to me.
	0	0	0	I can use an appropriate academic writing style with an increasing range of general, academic and technical vocabulary.
	0	0	0	I can produce stretches of language with a fairly even tempo, with few long pauses or hesitations when searching for expressions.
	0	0	0	I can speak with reasonable accuracy and can correct some mistakes if they have obviously led to misunderstandings.
QUALITY	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can explain the main points of an idea, problem or argument with reasonable precision.
	0	0	0	I have a sufficient range of vocabulary to vary formulation and avoid repetition when expressing myself on matters connected to my field and most general topics.
W	0	0	0	I can initiate discourse, take my turn when appropriate and end a conversation without seeming too abrupt.
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	I can often cover gaps in vocabulary and structure using paraphrases.
STRATEGY	0	0	0	I can often correct my mistakes when it is pointed out to me, and I can often identify correct common errors on my own.





(PLEASE CHECK ONE) -	ALWAYS	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
3	0	0	0	I can follow general themes and some specific elements of lectures, reports and other forms of complex academic or professional presentations in my field, if I have some background knowledge.
	0	0	0	I can, with some effort, understand most of what is said around me, but I may find it difficult to understand a discussion between several speakers who do not modify their language in any way.
LISTENING	0	0	0	I can understand in detail what is said to me in standard spoken language, even with an element of background noise.
	0	0	0	I can understand most standard spoken language, live or broadcast, even in a noisy environment.
	0	0	0	I can read with a large degree of independence, using dictionaries and other references when necessary.
	0	0	0	I can understand in detail texts within my field of interest or the area of my academic or professional specialty.
<i>(</i>],	0	0	0	I can understand specialized articles outside my own field if I can occasionally check with a dictionary.
READING	0	0	0	I can quickly scan long and complex texts on topics of interest to locate relevant details if the text is well structured, and I have a clear idea what I am looking for.
	0	0	0	I can rapidly and easily grasp the content and significance of news, articles and reports on topics connected with my interests or my job, and decide if further reading is worthwhile.
	0	0	0	I can understand articles, reports and reviews in which writers express specific points of view (e.g. political commentary, critiques, plays, films, etc.) using dictionaries and other references when necessary.
	0	0	0	I can actively participate in conversations, clearly and naturally expressing my viewpoints, ideas or feelings.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can evaluate advantages and disadvantages to different situations.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can participate in formal and informal decision-making.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can support my opinions by providing relevant explanations, arguments and comments.
SPOKEN INTERACTION	0	0	0	I can reliably determine and communicate detailed information, I can ask follow up questions to get clarification when necessary.
	0	0	0	I can use standard phrases like "That's a difficult question to answer" to gain more time while formulating a response.
	0	0	0	I can move a conversation forward by confirming my comprehension, inviting others to join in, etc.
SPOKEN PRODUCTION	0	0	0	I can develop a clear argument, linking my ideas logically, while expanding and supporting my points with appropriate examples.
	0	\bigcirc	0	I can give clear, detailed descriptions on a wide range of subjects related to my interests.
	0	0	0	I can present a topical issue in a critical manner and weigh the advantages and disadvantages of various options, if I have sufficient time to plan, research, practice, and if I can occasionally refer to notes.
	0	0	0	I can summarize information and arguments from a variety of sources, highlighting significant points.

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	0	0	0	I can develop a clear argument, linking my ideas logically and expanding and supporting my points with appropriate examples.
	0	0	0	I can write clear, well-developed, detailed descriptions on a wide range of subjects related to my interests, while expanding and supporting my ideas.
	0	0	0	I can write an essay developing my argument while highlighting significant points and relevant supporting details.
WRITING	0	0	0	I can summarize information and arguments from a variety of sources, highlighting significant points.
	0	0	0	I can write with reasonable accuracy and correct mistakes when they are pointed out to me, and if I have a lot of time to edit.
	0	0	0	I can use a variety of linking words, repetition and pronouns to effectively distinguish the relationship between ideas.
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can use a range of language to express abstract ideas and discuss topical subjects.
QUALITY	0	0	0	I can generally sustain interactions with native speakers without unintentionally amusing or irritating them, or requiring them to behave differently than they would with a native speaker.
	0	0	0	I can speak with reasonable accuracy and correct many mistakes if they have led to misunderstandings.
	0	0	0	I can speak for an extended period with a fairly even tempo; although I can be hesitant when searching for expressions, there are few noticeably long pauses.
	0	0	0	I can link what I say or write into clear, well-organized text, though I may not always do this smoothly so there may be some "jumps."
	0	0	0	I have a sufficient range of vocabulary to vary my speech, and avoid repetition when expressing myself on matters connected to my field and on most general topics.
		0	I can use a variety of strategies to achieve comprehension, including listening for main points and checking comprehension by using contextual clues.	
	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can generally cover gaps in vocabulary and structure using paraphrases.
STRATEGY	0	0	0	I can generally correct slips and errors if I become aware of them, or if they have led to misunderstandings.
O TTO TE O T	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	I can make a note of "common mistakes" and consciously monitor my speech for them.

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THE ELC PRINCIPLES OF PRACTICE

QUESTION	STATEMENT		
How do people learn?	We believe that language learning is a context-specific, social and individual, non-linear process that requires lots of meaningful input and practice, accompanied by regular feedback to support fluency and accuracy in performance of the target language.		
What activities do we feel support learning?	For us, language learning is best supported by engaging individuals and groups in meaningful, interesting activities that exercise all the language skills intensively and extensively.		
What do we consider is the best learning environment?	We strive to build rapport with students in dynamic and purposeful learning environments where students feel safe to express themselves in a variety of interactive and engaging activities that lead to clearly defined outcomes.		
What are the roles of the teacher?	In a language class teachers and students take on different roles at different times. Teachers and students may be providers of knowledge, error-correctors, learners, motivators, facilitators, and story-tellers. Whatever the role we believe that each person needs to be responsible for their own actions while being fair in the demands they place on others.		
What does 'student centered' mean to us?	For us, being learner-centred means valuing the personal and socio- cultural experiences and background knowledge of all participants in a class all the while scaffolding input and providing tools to support individual learners that emphasize the dynamic of the group.		
What makes a curriculum successful?	For us, a successful curriculum has challenging, well-defined, attainable and measurable course objectives and outcomes balancing fluency and accuracy, with plenty of opportunity for goal-directed spoken and written practice. It provides the authentic and meaning-focused tasks and materials essential for student success in higher education and professional contexts.		
How do we assess students?	For us, assessment is regular and ongoing, formal and informal, formative and summative, and contextualized where appropriate. It strives to be fair and consistent with the course objectives.		



This chart will help you to understand what each of our levels means when compared to well-known international standards. Our descriptors are based on the Common European Framework Reference (CEFR) and you can see how these compare to IELTS and TOELF exam scores.

When you have completed Humber's online EAP Pre-placement test, you can then see what level you will place in and look on the chart what type of language objectives you need to work towards.

EAP Level	CEFR stage	IELTS	TOELF PB	TOEFL iBT
Level 1	N/A	2.0	400	32 (no score below 8)
Level 2	A1-1 to A1-2	2.5	417	36 (no score below 9)
Level 3	A1-2 to A2-1	3.0	433	40 (no score below 10)
Level 4	A2-1 to A2-2	3.5	450	44 (no score below 11)
Level 5	A2-2 to B1-1	4.0	467	52 (no score below 13)
Level 6	B1-1 to B1-2	4.5	487	56 (no score below 14)
Level 7	B1-2 to B2-1	5.0	507	64 (no score below 16)
Level 8	B2-1 to B2-2	5.5	527	72 (no score below 18)

Exam Correlation Matrix

Placement into our EAP levels

The chart shows entry score requirements for each EAP level. Students are placed in an EAP level according to the lowest individual skill score on the test.

For example, a student with an IELTS 5.5 in Speaking and Listening, a 5.0 in Reading , and a 4.5 in Writing, will be placed in EAP Level 6.

The test score is only valid if it was taken no more than 6 months before arrival to Humber.

Completion of EAP Level 8 with a 50% (a passing grade) is equivalent to:

IELTS score of at least 6.0 TOELF score of at least 80 (iBT), 555 (PBT)

Completion of EAP Level 8 with:

- · 60% meets the language proficiency requirement for Humber Diploma Programs
- 75% meets the language proficiency requirement for Humber Degree Programs
- 80% meets the language proficiency requirement for Humber Post-Graduate Programs





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