Novice High: The Fighter

I can...

- Provide info using words,
 phrases and short sentences
- Speak on practiced subjects
 like giving basic info about
 myself, my school, and things,
 places or people in my life.



- Give opinions on things I like/dislike
- Use words like "is," "like" and "have" and connect ideas with "and"
- Ask simple questions
- Read/listen and understand main ideas

- Speaking in complete sentences
- Asking follow-up questions
- Handling questions or situations I haven't seen before

Novice Low: The Parrot

I can...

- Repeat single words or short phrases I've heard and memorized
- Greet others
- Recognize some words that I have heard before
- Give my name
- Name a few things around me
- Answer questions with "yes" or "no"
- Count to 10

- Learning more words and phrases
- Understanding more things that I read or hear
- Asking some simple questions



Novice Mid: The Toddler

I can...

- Combine different words and phrases I've heard and memorized
- Greet others in different ways
- Introduce myself
- Talk about things that interest
 me, like food, clothes, animals, or activities.
- Say some things about my family or friends
- Ask a few simple questions
- Give time, date, and weather info
- Awkward wording like "Me like" is OK!

- Speaking in simple but full sentences
- Explaining words I don't know
- Asking more kinds of questions
- Hesitating less when I speak



Intermediate Low: The Creator

I can...

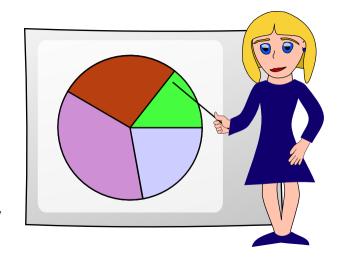
- Generally speak confidently in complete sentences.
- Create with language by answering open-ended questions
- Speak so that my classmates and teacher can mostly understand me.
- Describe things and people in detail and give and support opinions on various topics/situations
 - Clarify your opinions with "because" or "but"
- Correct myself when I misspeak
- Ask some appropriate follow-up questions

- Quantity and quality: using lots of different language and using it correctly
- Using more linking words like "so," "but," "then,"
 "before/after"
- Not hesitating too much when I speak

Intermediate-Mid: The Explainer

I can...

- Communicate with confidence
- Use extended, connected sentences
- Quickly access lots of vocabulary to describe many different subjects



- Be generally understood in the present tense and begin to use future and past tenses
- Describe, compare/contrast and explain
- Ask pointed, relevant questions
- Use topic sentences and linking words like "even though" or "however" to bring structure to my language
- Talk around words I don't know and be understood
- Self-correct when I misspeak
- Recognize when a speaker uses different tenses

- Fewer pauses when speaking
- Using multiple time frames (past, present and future)
- Speaking in detail about specific interests or aspects of my life

Intermediate-High. The Storyteller

I can...

- Communicate with ease and confidence on any subject that relates to me
- Talk in depth about particular interests, aspects of life
- Narrate and describe in all major time frames (past, present, future) often, but not necessarily all the time
- **Tell stories** by sequencing events
- Can handle everyday situations like getting/giving directions, making purchases, and even handle unexpected complications
- Can understand the main idea and some supporting details or follow the storyline of a fluent speaker

- Speaking with clarity in various time frames
- Participating in conversations that go beyond my everyday life