



GeoVisions – Description of English Level Ratings

Level 6 - Basic English Skills:

- ❖ **Basic** means the interviewer would be uncertain of specific words, and would need to ask the student to repeat significant portions of the answers.
- ❖ **Characteristics:** This student has a positive attitude, is optimistic and upbeat with a motivation to improve and to getting the job done. A student who will do their best to improve.

Level 7 -7.9 - Appropriate

- ❖ **Appropriate** means the interviewer may have had to listen carefully because of poor pronunciation, inflection or a strong accent, and required the student to repeat portions of the answer, but has determined that the applicant has an English level appropriate to the job, and is able to understand English well enough to participate in everyday life in the US.
- ❖ **Characteristics:** This student is new to a field or activity: a beginner. Despite being new to an activity, they are still considered a part of the group that does such an activity regularly. Their skill level may be low at the beginning, but good enough that they can complete the job, and will improve with experience.

Level 8 - Above Average

- ❖ **Above Average** means that the interviewer felt at ease communicating with the student. The student was comfortable and confident.
- ❖ **Characteristics:** This student has a Can-Do and Will-Do attitude, and is ready to take on new experiences and challenges.

Level 9 -10 - Excellent

- ❖ **Excellent** means the interviewer could understand all the words in each answer without paying more than normal attention.
- ❖ **Characteristics:** This student has excellent communication skills, and works well with a team. The student has the ability to build relationships with other employees and to work together to solve problems. This student may have been to the US on a J- 1 program previously.