

# World Language Curriculum “I Can” Statements – Advanced Level

INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION		
Advanced Low	Advanced Mid	Advanced High
<p><i>I can communicate with a fair amount of fluency and spontaneity on familiar topics, even in complicated situations. I can link ideas in extended discussions. I can participate actively in most informal and a few formal conversations.</i></p>	<p><i>I can express myself with fluency and flexibility on a range of familiar and some new topics, including concrete social, academic, and professional topics. I can take an active role in most formal and informal discussions. I can express and defend my viewpoint or recommendations on a variety of topics.</i></p>	<p><i>I can express myself with fluency, flexibility, and precision on concrete and some abstract topics. I can adapt my language in most situations.</i></p>
<p><b>I can express my ideas and opinions when engaged in lengthy conversation.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can express my ideas and opinions about family and home, such as sibling rivalries and ideal location for a house.</li> <li>• I can express my ideas and opinions about school or work, such as interesting educators I’ve known or colleagues who are helpful.</li> <li>• I can express my ideas and opinions about current events or public interest topics, such as healthcare or recycling efforts.</li> <li>• I can talk about my hobbies and interests, such as my favorite exercises, nutritious alternatives to fast food, or surfing the Web.</li> <li>• I can talk about an issue of public concern at a formal gathering, such as general trends in the housing market or the economy.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can speak fluently, accurately, and effectively about a wide variety of events that occur in the present, past, and future.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can give a clear and detailed story about childhood memories, such as what happened during vacations or memorable events.</li> <li>• I can give clear descriptions about cultural events.</li> <li>• I can talk about present challenges in my school or work life, such as paying for classes or dealing with difficult colleagues.</li> <li>• I can discuss future plans, such as where I want to settle down or what I will be doing in the next few years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can convey finer shades of meaning with relative ease by using a wide range of expressions to qualify statements.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can convey degrees of support of or disagreement with another’s point of view, such as I can agree with you on most of your points, and I can explain the areas where I disagree.</li> <li>• I can convey degrees of sympathy or empathy.</li> <li>• I can convey degrees of anger or frustration.</li> <li>• I can convey degrees of approval or enthusiasm.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>I can engage comfortably in extended conversations and discussions on a wide variety of topics related to my daily life.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can discuss work-related topics, such as personnel and sick leave policies.</li> <li>• I can discuss academic topics about which I am learning.</li> <li>• I can converse about my leisure activities and hobbies.</li> <li>• I can converse about a current issue at a formal gathering, such as leash laws, school dress codes, drinking age, or speed limits.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can support my opinions clearly and precisely.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can explain advantages and disadvantages of various courses of action, such as whether to rent or buy a place to live.</li> <li>• I can participate in technical discussions in my field.</li> <li>• I can participate in a book discussion.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can discuss complex information in debates or meetings.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can put forth and react to others' complex ideas during a business discussion.</li> <li>• I can put forth and react to others' complex ideas during a discussion to solve a community issue.</li> <li>• I can participate actively and react to others appropriately in academic debates, providing some facts and rationale to back up my statements.</li> <li>• I can participate actively in a friendly political debate.</li> </ul>
<p><b>I can communicate even when unpredictable situations arise in a familiar context.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can explain myself further when someone unfamiliar with the topic doesn't understand what I mean.</li> <li>• I can handle a situation related to travel, such as missing a plane or train.</li> <li>• I can explain myself to friends who disagree with me.</li> <li>• I can explain why I unexpectedly was late to class or absent from work.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can use a variety of idiomatic and culturally authentic expressions appropriately.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can use expressions and colloquialisms related to insults and praise.</li> <li>• I can use expressions and colloquialisms related to emotions and feelings.</li> <li>• I can use expressions and colloquialisms to describe attributes.</li> <li>• I can use expressions and colloquialisms to exaggerate.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can exchange complex information about academic and professional tasks.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can exchange complex information about my academic major, such as why I chose the field, course requirements, projects, internship opportunities, and new advances in my field.</li> <li>• I can exchange complex information about my work responsibilities, such as the hiring process, my work schedule, the nature of my tasks, how I interface with other employees, opportunities for advancement, and new directions in my field.</li> <li>• I can exchange complex professional or academic information to engage in collaborative work with my counterparts in different regions or countries.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>I can conduct or participate in interviews.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can interview for a job or service opportunity related to my field of expertise.</li> <li>• I can participate in an interview about my hobbies and interests.</li> <li>• I can ask questions and probe for details when interviewing others for a job or service opportunity related to my field of expertise.</li> <li>• I can ask questions or probe for details when interviewing others about their hobbies or interests even when they are unrelated to my own.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can exchange general information on many matters outside my fields of interest.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can exchange general information about my community, such as demographic information and points of interests.</li> <li>• I can exchange general information about leisure and travel, such as the world’s most visited sites or most beautiful places to visit.</li> <li>• I can exchange general information about social and environmental issues, such as the influence of mass media on society or government policies.</li> <li>• I can exchange general information about political and business issues, such as types of government or economies.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can provide structured arguments and develop and support hypotheses, working around occasional difficulties.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can give a supported argument about work-related processes that would benefit me and my employer.</li> <li>• I can give a supported argument about the need for alternative energy sources.</li> <li>• I can give a supported argument about my political views.</li> <li>• I can give a supported argument about cultural influences on society.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>I can handle a complication or unexpected turn of events.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can return or exchange a purchase when a vendor makes a mistake or when parts are missing.</li> <li>• I can clear up a major work place misunderstanding in a culturally appropriate manner.</li> <li>• I can rearrange my itinerary, such as flights, pick-up times, and appointments when I experience travel delays.</li> </ul>	<p><b>I can exchange detailed information on matters within and beyond my fields of interest.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I can exchange detailed information about my home, work, and leisure life.</li> <li>• I can exchange detailed information on how one’s worldview influences one’s adaptation to a new culture.</li> <li>• I can exchange detailed information about humanity’s influence on the environment.</li> <li>• I can exchange detailed information on technological advances.</li> </ul>