

# Self-assessment Checklist

Language: \_\_\_\_\_

Use this checklist to record what you think you can do (Column 1). Ask someone else, for example your teacher, to also assess what they think you can do (Column 2). Use Column 3 to mark those things that you cannot yet do which you feel are important for you (Column 3 = Objectives). Add to the list – perhaps with your teacher – other things that you can do, or that are important for your language learning at this level.

**Use the following symbols:**

In columns **1** and **2**

✓ I can do this under normal circumstances

✓✓ I can do this easily

In column **3**

! This is an objective for me

!! This is a priority for me

If you have over 80% of the points ticked, you have probably reached Level C1.



**Listening**

|  | Me | My teacher/another | My objectives |
|--|----|--------------------|---------------|
|  | 1  | 2                  | 3             |
| I can follow extended speech even when it is not clearly structured and when relationships are only implied and not signalled explicitly.                    |    |                    |               |
| I can understand a wide range of idiomatic expressions and colloquialisms, appreciating shifts in style and register.  |    |                    |               |
| I can extract specific information from even poor quality, audibly distorted public announcements, e.g. in a station, sports stadium etc.                    |    |                    |               |
| I can understand complex technical information, such as operating instructions, specifications for familiar products and services.                           |    |                    |               |
| I can understand lectures, talks and reports in my field of professional or academic interest even when they are propositionally and linguistically complex. |    |                    |               |
| I can without too much effort understand films which contain a considerable degree of slang and idiomatic usage.   |    |                    |               |
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**Reading**

|  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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| I can understand fairly long demanding texts and summarise them orally.  |   |   |   |
| I can read complex reports, analyses and commentaries where opinions, viewpoints and connections are discussed.  |   |   |   |
| I can extract information, ideas and opinions from highly specialised texts in my own field, for example research reports.   |   |   |   |
| I can understand long complex instructions, for example for the use of a new piece of equipment, even if these are not related to my job or field of interest, provided I have enough time to reread them. |   |   |   |
| I can read any correspondence with occasional use of a dictionary.   |   |   |   |
| I can read contemporary literary texts with ease.  |   |   |   |
| I can go beyond the concrete plot of a narrative and grasp implicit meanings, ideas and connections.   |   |   |   |
| I can recognise the social, political or historical background of a literary work.   |   |   |   |
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**Spoken Interaction**

|  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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| I can keep up with an animated conversation between native speakers.   |   |   |   |
| I can use the language fluently, accurately and effectively on a wide range of general, professional or academic topics.           |   |   |   |
| I can use language flexibly and effectively for social purposes, including emotional, allusive and joking usage.                   |   |   |   |
| I can express my ideas and opinions clearly and precisely, and can present and respond to complex lines of reasoning convincingly. |   |   |   |
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*In column 3*

- ! This is an objective for me
- !! This is a priority for me

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|  | Me       | My teacher/another | My objectives |
|--|----------|--------------------|---------------|
| <b>Spoken Production</b>   | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b>           | <b>3</b>      |
| I can give clear, detailed descriptions of complex subjects.   |          |                    |               |
| I can orally summarise long, demanding texts.  |          |                    |               |
| I can give an extended description or account of something, integrating themes, developing particular points and concluding appropriately.   |          |                    |               |
| I can give a clearly developed presentation on a subject in my fields of personal or professional interest, departing when necessary from the prepared text and following up spontaneously points raised by members of the audience. |          |                    |               |
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| <b>Strategies</b>  | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b>           | <b>3</b>      |
| I can use fluently a variety of appropriate expressions to preface my remarks in order to get the floor, or to gain time and keep the floor while thinking.  |          |                    |               |
| I can relate own contribution skilfully to those of other speakers.  |          |                    |               |
| I can substitute an equivalent term for a word I can't recall without distracting the listener.  |          |                    |               |
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| <b>Language Quality</b>  | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b>           | <b>3</b>      |
| I can express myself fluently and spontaneously, almost effortlessly. Only a conceptually difficult subject can hinder a natural, smooth flow of language.   |          |                    |               |
| I can produce clear, smoothly-flowing, well-structured speech, showing control over ways of developing what I want to say in order to link both my ideas and my expression of them into coherent text.                               |          |                    |               |
| I have a good command of a broad vocabulary allowing gaps to be readily overcome with circumlocutions ; I rarely have to search obviously for expressions or compromise on saying exactly what I want to.                            |          |                    |               |
| I can consistently maintain a high degree of grammatical accuracy ; errors are rare and difficult to spot.   |          |                    |               |
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| <b>Writing</b>   | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b>           | <b>3</b>      |
| I can express myself in writing on a wide range of general or professional topics in a clear and user-friendly manner.   |          |                    |               |
| I can present a complex topic in a clear and well-structured way, highlighting the most important points, for example in a composition or a report.  |          |                    |               |
| I can present points of view in a comment on a topic or an event, underlining the main ideas and supporting my reasoning with detailed examples.   |          |                    |               |
| I can put together information from different sources and relate it in a coherent summary.   |          |                    |               |
| I can give a detailed description of experiences, feelings and events in a personal letter.  |          |                    |               |
| I can write formally correct letters, for example to complain or to take a stand in favour of or against something.  |          |                    |               |
| I can write texts which show a high degree of grammatical correctness and vary my vocabulary and style according to the addressee, the kind of text and the topic.   |          |                    |               |
| I can select a style appropriate to the reader in mind.  |          |                    |               |
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