CLB 1 at a Glance

Listening CLB 1

I can...

- Understand simple greetings.
  "Hello. How are you?"

- Understand some simple words.
  "Please sit down."

- Understand common expressions.
  "Excuse me."
  "Watch out!"

- Understand very simple information.
  My phone number is ..."

I understand a few individual words and some familiar short phrases. But, I only understand when the speaker speaks slowly and repeats. I also need pictures or gestures to help me understand. Understanding on the phone is too difficult for me.

Speaking CLB 1

I can...

- Use basic greetings.
  "Hello. How are you?"

- Use a few common words or phrases.
  "Sorry, no English."
  "Please repeat."

- Ask for assistance.
  "Help me, please."

- Give simple information.
  My name is..."

I use single words and a few memorized short phrases. But I have no control of grammar, and communication is very difficult for me. I rely heavily on gestures, and I need a lot of support from the listener. My mistakes in grammar and pronunciation make it very hard for people to understand me.

Reading CLB 1

I can...

- Read a short, simple greeting.
  Hello. Welcome.

- Read words telling me what to do.
  Enter. Please wait.

- Read a very short, simple sign.
  Stop. No parking.

- Read a short simple grocery list.
  - *eggs*
  - *milk*
  - *bread*

I understand simple words and some very short familiar phrases. But, the words have to be highly familiar, and I sometimes need pictures to help me understand. Reading is very difficult for me.

Writing CLB 1

I can...

- Fill in a short, simple greeting.
  To_____,
  From_____,
  Thank you.

- Copy words and numbers.
  Doctor: 905-555-8888

- Write simple personal information.
  Name:_____
  Phone Number: _____

- Write simple words to fill in blanks.
  I am from _____.

I write single words and a few memorized phrases. But, I have no control of grammar, and I have a lot of difficulty with spelling and punctuation. I cannot communicate simple ideas in writing.