

CogAT Screener for ELLs at Grade 2

2020-21 Academic Year

The purpose of using testing accommodations with English language learners is to reduce the impact that their limited experience with English has on the measurement of their reasoning abilities. The CogAT Screening Form is designed to be accessible to English language learners. Although language is used in all of the test directions, it is not used in the actual test questions.

For students whose native language is Spanish and who are DPI Levels 1 and 2, *Spanish Directions for Administration* is available for Level 8 of the CogAT Screening Form.

Required: Student Answer Document: Supplemental Coding

If a student is an English Language learner, the student must be identified under "Programs" as an ELL student and the appropriate box checked in the student profile. It is the responsibility of the ESL teacher to ensure that this is indicated prior to the student testing. This should be done by ensuring that the student EL status is correct in IC.

Accommodations for English Language Learners (ELLs)

Accommodation

- *Small Group/Individual Administration*: Students may be tested in small groups or individually. There is no minimum group-size requirement for test administration.
- *Repeated Directions*: The test administrator may read aloud the directions for particular practice questions and item prompts as many times as necessary to ensure that all students understand what they are supposed to do. However, some students may need **all** of these directions and prompts repeated as a testing accommodation.
- *Test Administered by ELL Teacher or Individual Providing Language Services*: This accommodation allows the student to be tested in the environment that is most comfortable. Also, it makes other accommodations more readily available if their need was not anticipated at the outset of the test administration.
- *Directions administered in a Language Other Than English*: The directions for the practice questions may be administered in a language other than English. *Spanish Directions for Administration* is available for Level 8 of the CogAT Screening Form.

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