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Benchmarks

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CCLB Acronyms

Acronym	Title	Description
CLB (<i>English</i>)	Canadian Language Benchmarks ESL for Adults	A descriptive scale of language ability in English as a Second Language (ESL) or French as a Second Language (FSL) written as 12 benchmarks along a continuum from basic to advanced.
NCLC (<i>French</i>)	Niveaux de compétence linguistique canadiens	
CLB: ESL for ALL (<i>English</i>)	CLB: ESL for Adult Literacy Learners	Resources that address the needs and abilities of adult ESL Literacy learners and support instructors in meeting their learner needs.
NCLC: FLS pour AMA (<i>French</i>)	NCLC: FLS pour adultes moins alphabétisés	
CLB-LDT (<i>English</i>)	Canadian Language Benchmarks Literacy Diagnostic Tasks	Literacy Diagnostic Tasks for Instructors. Not yet available.
NCLC-OCA (<i>French</i>)	Niveaux de compétence linguistique canadiens l'Outil de classement en alphabétisation	
CLBPT (<i>English</i>)	Canadian Language Benchmarks Placement Test	Low stakes assessment used by CCLB licensed assessment centres for placement of newcomers into federally or provincially funded language training programs. <i>The Centre for Education and Training in Toronto (TCET) offers a similar assessment in English titled the CLBA.</i>
BTC (<i>French</i>)	Batterie de tests de classement aux Niveaux de compétence linguistique canadiens	
CLB-LPT (<i>English</i>)	Canadian Language Benchmarks Literacy Placement Test	Low stakes assessment used by CCLB licensed assessment centres for placement of literacy learners into federally or provincially funded language training programs. Not yet released. <i>The Centre for Education and Training in Toronto (TCET) offers a similar assessment in English titled the CLBA-LL.</i>
BTC-AMA (<i>French</i>)	Batterie de tests de classement pour adultes moins alphabétisés	
WLA (<i>English only</i>)	Workplace Language Assessment	Low stakes assessment used by CCLB licensed assessment centres for placement of candidates into bridge to employment programs at CLB levels 7-10. <i>The Centre for Education and Training in Toronto (TCET) offers a similar assessment in English titled the Enhanced Language Training Placement Assessment (ELTPA).</i>
CLB-OSA (<i>English</i>) https://clb-osa.ca	Canadian Language Benchmarks Online Self-Assessment	Online self-assessment tool for people who are interested in assessing their ESL or FSL language proficiency in reading and listening.
NCLC-AEL (<i>French</i>) www.nclc-ael.ca	Niveaux de compétence linguistique canadiens Autoévaluation en ligne	
Milestones (<i>English</i>)	Milestones	High stakes assessment referenced to the CLBs. Milestones is currently being used as part of IRCC's 2018-19 language program evaluation
BTR (<i>French</i>)	Batterie de tests de rendement	
PBLA (<i>English</i>)	Portfolio Based Language Assessment	A teaching and assessment model designed to enhance nationwide consistency and standards of quality in ESL and FSL training for adult newcomers to Canada.
ELBP (<i>French</i>)	L'évaluation linguistique basée sur le portfolio	
CLBPA	Canadian Language Benchmarks Placement Assessment	A new low stakes placement assessment in development in collaboration with The Centre for Education and Training (TCET).