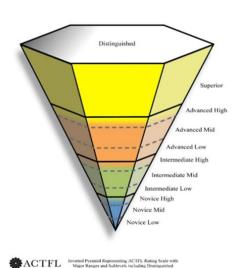


Thank you so much for the opportunity to connect, and for considering LTI as your language proficiency testing partner. Below is information I hope you will find helpful. These are general and specific resources regarding our assessments, the ACTFL rating scale and our speaking tests, the **OPIc and OPI**, specifically. *Links are highlighted in yellow.

General Resources:

- Oral Proficiency in the Workplace
 -- <u>click here.</u> This shows you the ACTFL Proficiency Scale from NOVICE
 (beginner) to SUPERIOR (highest level) on the left, and where research by IO psychologists and language specialists
 over the years have helped determine minimum proficiency levels for specific work roles.
 - The <u>ACTFL PROFICIENCY GUIDELINES</u> provide the detailed description for each level that the raters will be rating to and to help you determine where your candidates should place along the proficiency scale (see image below).

ACTFL Proficiency Scale



SPEAKING ASSESSMENTS: OPIc and OPI

ORAL PROFICIENCY INTERVIEW by COMPUTER OPIC

\$60 commercial \$70 official, ACTFL certified

- The OPIc is a computer or telephone-recording interview
- Test Length approximately 30 minutes
- Measures to ACTFL level Superior
- **Demo**: OPIc Demo (the demo lets you experience the full process of the test plus sample questions)
- The recording is rated by certified ACTFL raters, and the final rating is ready within 1 business day.
- To access the OPIc <u>Examinee handbook</u> and the <u>OPIc familiarization guide</u>, go
 to the OPIc homepage, or click the links above.

ACTFL OPIC Familiarization Manual

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ACTFL OPIC Examinee Handbook

To take a Demo version of the OPIC, click here.

ACTFL Speaking Assessment: The Oral Proficiency Interv



The Oral Proficiency Interview – computer (OPIc) was developed as a computerized tool to deliver and score valid and reliable oral proficiency testing on a large scale, anytime, without notice, on demand. The computer-delivered assessment emulates the qualities of the OPI, but handles the delivery of the questions by a carefully-designed computer program, with an avatar named Ava, who presents the prompts. The test taker can access the computerized interview either online or via telephone.

The ACTFL OPIc is appropriate for both small-group and large-scale testing. The recording of their responses is made available via the Internet to Certified OPIc Raters and is evaluated by them within a short period of time. Because OPIc is available online, it can easily be delivered, anytime, anywhere. Certified ACTFL OPIc Raters blindly rate the speech samples.

ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview: OPI

\$119 commercial \$139 official, ACTFL certified

* OPIs cancelled less than 24 hours before scheduled start time are billed \$55.

- the OPI is a live telephone interview
- Test Length 20- 30 minutes
- Measures to ACTFL level Superior
- OPI Familiarization Manual, click here.
- Examinee handbook : click here
- Available in over 120 languages

The ACTFL OPI, our flagship assessment for 25 years, is an interview primarily conducted telephonically by a live Tester. While the OPI incorporates listening; requiring the candidate to respond in context to the questions posed, it is a test of "interpersonal" speaking (i.e. back and forth communication that includes listening, rather than speaking in the "presentational" mode).

Best wishes,

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I'd love to connect. Here's my calendar link to make finding time easy.



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