



Arizona English Language Learner Assessment (AZELLA)

The AZELLA assessment tool is not meant for preschool children. AZELLA assessments begin when children are enrolled in either a full-day or half-day kindergarten program. ADE does not pay for administration of AZELLA to ANY preschool aged students.

Kindergarten aged children will be participating in the AZELLA at the preliteracy level.

PRELITERACY LEVEL

- Prereading and prewriting subtests can be administered individually or in small groups (maximum of 5 students).
- Prereading directions tell the student to mark an X on the correct picture (answer). After the test, the examiner fills in the corresponding bubble in the student assessment booklet.
- Prewriting consists of 17 different writing tasks, including copying and producing letters, words, and sentences.

Preliteracy assessment booklets are machine scorable. AZELLA Form AZ-2 will become the official assessment used beginning August 1, 2008.

Further information is available through the Office of English Language Acquisition Services at http://www.ade.az.gov/asd/lep/