



UTAH INTERPRETER CERTIFICATION PERFORMANCE RATING

NOVICE LEVEL > ENGLISH LANGUAGE RATER

CANDIDATE: _____

RATER NAME: _____ EXAM DATE: _____

SIGN TO SPOKEN ENGLISH

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1 The interpreter enunciates clearly and audibly.

The interpreter articulates the words clearly and projects his/her voice so that a nondeaf person can hear and understand the words.

☐ Yes

☐ No

2 The interpreter speaks at an appropriate rate.

The interpreter speaks at a rate consistent with the norms of native English users.
The message sounds natural and is easy to follow.

☐ Yes

☐ No

3 The interpreter's behaviors and appearance reflect professional standards.

The interpreter has no distracting factors (i.e. stuttering, unnecessary fillers, intonation, etc.) or behaviors which impede receiving the message. The manner, style, and voice of the interpreter are comfortable to listen to and reflect professional standards.

☐ Yes

☐ No

4 *The interpreter speaks in grammatically correct English.

The interpretation conforms to the norms of spoken English. The delivery sounds natural.

☐ Yes

☐ No

5 The interpreter delivers the message in a cohesive manner.

The interpreter appropriately uses cohesive devices such as topic shifts, transition words and phrases, and appropriate pronouns to create an auditorially cohesive message.

☐ Yes

☐ No

6 *The interpreter delivers a message which is understandable by non-Deaf people.

The message given by the interpreter would be understood by most people who are unaware of American Sign Language or American Deaf culture. The main point, subpoints, and supporting details are clear.

☐ Yes

☐ No

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ROLE PLAY

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- 1 The interpreter delivers the spoken message clearly and fluently.**

The interpreter delivers a message that reflects proficiency in spoken English. The interpreter shows adequate fluency and a sufficient degree of managing of the sign-to-voice interpretation process.

☐ Yes☐ No
- 2 *The interpreter speaks in grammatically correct English.**

The interpretation conforms to the norms of spoken English.

☐ Yes☐ No
- 3 The interpreter enunciates clearly and audibly.**

The interpreter articulates the words clearly and projects his/her voice so that a nondeaf person can hear and understand the words.

☐ Yes☐ No
- 4 The interpreter appears to be confident in delivering the spoken message.**

A non-deaf person listening to the message and watching the interpreter would feel confident he/she is receiving a message that is complete and accurate.

☐ Yes☐ No

OTHER CONVERSATIONAL ELEMENTS

- 5 The interpreter uses appropriate transitions and discourse markers to allow for a smooth flow of communication.**

The interpretation uses clear and appropriate turn-taking behaviors and discourse markers. It is evident in the interpretation when the speaker/signer is finished or has more thoughts.

☐ Yes☐ No
- 6 *The interpreter delivers a message which is understandable by non-Deaf people.**

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☐ Yes☐ No

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