

Appendix A

Common Acronyms in the Field of English Language Teaching

English Language Teaching Term	Acronym
Emergent bilingual	EB
English as a new language	ENL
English as a second language	ESL
English as an additional language	EAL
English language development	ELD
English language proficiency	ELP
English language teaching	ELT
English learner/English language learner	EL/ELL
English speakers of other languages (refers to students)/ English to speakers of other languages (refers to programs)	ESOL
Former English learner	FEL
Fully English proficient	FEP
Limited English proficient (used in some federal and state regulations but not a preferred term)	LEP
Long-term English (language) learner	LTEL/LTELL
Multilingual learner/multilingual learner of English	ML or MLL/MLE
Students with (limited or) interrupted formal education	SIFE/SLIFE