

ACCESS for ELLs Theme Generators April 2025

The Center for Applied Linguistics (CAL) is pleased to announce upcoming opportunities for educators to be a part of the development of ACCESS for ELLs. Educators are invited to serve as **Theme Generators** for new ACCESS for ELLs test items.

Who can participate?

Any educator who has experience working with students in grades 1–12 in a WIDA-member state during the previous two years is invited to participate.

What will educators do?

Theme Generators will:

- Complete a non-disclosure agreement (NDA).
- Watch a tutorial video to understand what types of themes can be used on ACCESS for ELLs.
- Brainstorm theme ideas for assigned grade-level clusters and content areas, and enter them into a survey form (asynchronous work to be completed **4/10-4/22/2025**).
- Receive \$30 compensation for each survey completed.

I'm interested! What should I do?

Complete an application at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/702ThemeGen> by **3/24/2025**.

In the application, you will be asked to provide:

- Your contact information
- Information about your teaching expertise
- Information about your availability
- A current resume or CV

Educators invited to serve as **Theme Generators** will be contacted beginning on **3/26/2025**.

If you have any questions about these activities, contact Leah Cave (lcave@cal.org).

Thank you for your interest in these important test development activities!