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Frequently Asked Question:

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Answer:

Although the CELF-4 standardization sample included students who were bilingual, English was the primary language of all participants. CELF-4 can be administered to students from non-mainstream cultural or linguistic backgrounds; however, it is important to be sensitive to any issues that may affect the student.

When evaluating students from non-mainstream backgrounds, it may be necessary to modify the administration of CELF-4. When testing a student with a modified version of CELF-4 you cannot report normative test scores. Instead you can use a more descriptive approach to reporting the student's responses and reactions during testing. It is also important to include a description of the modifications and adaptations that you made to test administration.

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