ESL Computer Adaptive Placement Test (ESL-CAP)

1. All test takers begin at Level 1.

2. If the student has **3** consecutive correct responses, then bumps up one level, e.g. Level 1 to Level 2.

3. After **6** questions with no up/down movement then analyze for the following:

   a. If only 2 out of 6 correct, bump down.

   b. If 3 out of 6 correct, remain at same level and continue testing.

   c. If 4 out of 6 correct, move up one level.

4. If initially gets **3** consecutive incorrect responses <u>after moving up</u>, then STOP at that level.

5. If the test-taker returns to a level, then STOP and record level.

   For example, Level 3 up to Level 4, but too many incorrect answers [2/6 or 4/9], so returns to Level 3 (and receives Level 3 placement).

6. After **9** questions with no up/down movement, then analyze for the following:

   a. If only 4 out of 9 (or less) correct, bump down and STOP (except for Level 1 to Level 0 (Pre-1)).

   b. If 5 out of 9 correct, remain at same level and STOP.

   c. If 6 out of 9 (or more) correct, move up one level and STOP.

Figure 1: Up movement and down movement based on answers