

IELTS

Introduction

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What is IELTS?

Why IELTS?









- IELTS stands for an International English Language Testing System.
- IELTS is recognized by every English speaking country as a test of English proficiency
- IELTS has the option of taking the learner in a specific direction; It has an academic focus and it has a general focus.



All Candidates are tested in listening, reading, writing and speaking.

Listening 30 mins
Reading 60 mins
Writing 60 mins
Speaking 11 - 14 mins

Total test time 2 hours 45 minutes excluding breaks.



Listening

4 Sections, 40 Items, 30 Minutes

General Training Reading

3 Sections, 40 Items, 60 Minutes

General Training Writing

2 Tasks (150 and 250 words), 60 Minutes



Academic Reading

3 Sections , 40 Items , 60 Minutes

Academic Writing

2 Tasks (150 and 250 words), 60 Minutes

Speaking

11 to 14 minutes



Listeni

ng Time: 30 minutes

- •4 sections, 40 questions
- •Real-world listening situations
- Difficulty
- Range of topics and tasks
 - listening for specific information e.g.dates, place names
 - understanding gist
 - understanding speaker attitude/opinion



Listening Test Format

Section 1: conversation – 2 speakers

Section 2: monologue

Section 3: conversation – 4 speakers

Section 4: lecture



Readi ng

Time: 60 minutes

3 reading passages, totally 40 questions

Texts are taken from books, magazines, journals and newspapers

Question types

- find détailed information
- identify attitudes and views
- compléte a diagram



Writing

Time: 60 minutes 2 tasks

Task 1(20mins): descriptive report of a table, diagram or process, 150 words

Task 2(40 mins): 250 word essay in response to an opinion or a problem. Discuss issues, construct an argument and use the appropriate tone and register.



Speaking

Time: 10 - 14 minutes

Face to face interview between one candidate and one examiner.

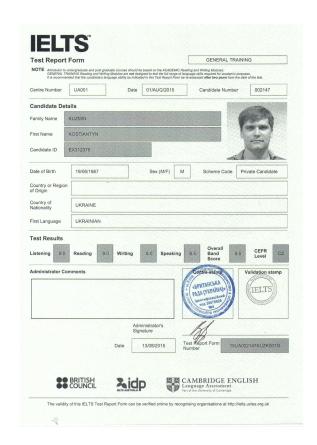
Part 1(4-5mins): Introduction and interview Part 2(1-3 mins incl. prep): Individual talk Part 3(4-5 mins): Discussion topics



Scoring

IELTS provides a profile of a candidate's ability to use English

Candidates receive a score on a Band Scale from 1-9





- **9 Expert User** Has full operational command of the language: appropriate, accurate and fluent with complete understanding.
- 8 Very Good User Has full operational command of the language with only occasional unsystematic inaccuracies and inappropriacies. Misunderstandings may occur in unfamiliar situations. Handles complex detailed argumentation well.
- 7 Good User Has operational command of the language, though with occasional inaccuracies, inappropriateness and misunderstandings in some situations. Generally handles complex language well and understands detailed reasoning.



6 Competent User Has generally effective command of the language despite some inaccuracies, inappropriacies and misunderstandings. Can use and understand fairly complex language, particularly in familiar situations.

5 Modest User Has partial command of the language, coping with overall meaning in most situations, though is likely to make many mistakes. Should be able to handle basic communication in own field.

4 Limited User Basic competence is limited to familiar situations. Has frequent problems in using complex language.



3 Extremely Limited User Conveys and understands only general meaning in very familiar situations.

2 Intermittent User No real communication is possible except for the most basic information using isolated words or short formulae in familiar situations and to meet immediate needs.

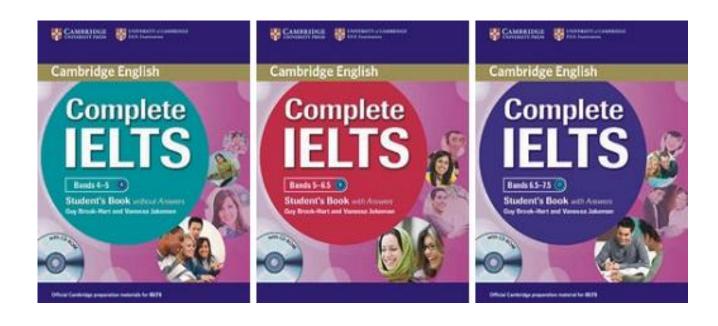


IELTS Band Scale

	CEFR	IELTS Bands
Proficient User	C2	9 8.5
	C1	8 7.5 7
Independent User	B2	6.5 6 5.5
	B1	5 4.5 4
Basic User	A2	
	A1	



Complete IELTS Module









ANY QUESTIONS