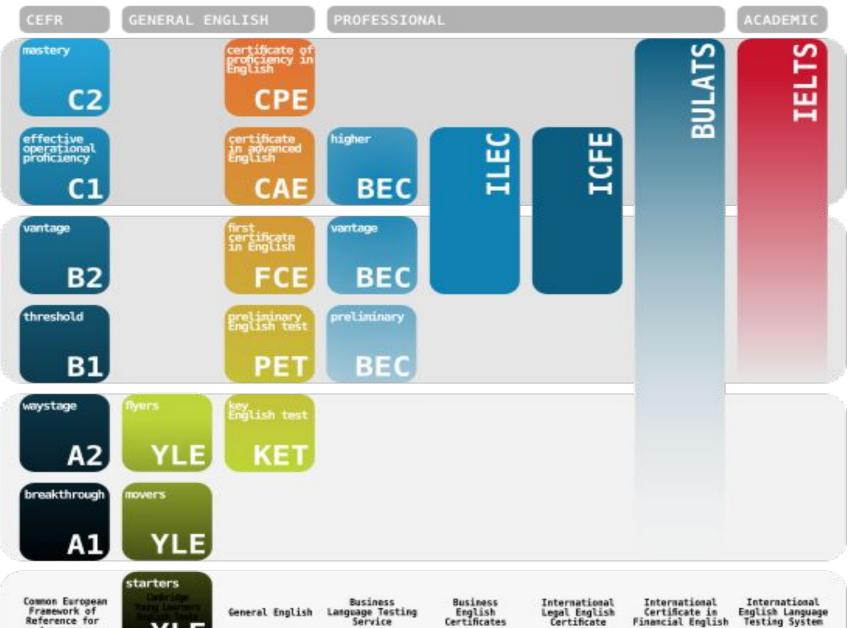
## **KET**

# **Key English Test**

# KET is at level A2 (elementary)

- Cambridge English: Key English Test is the first level of their exams (KET-PET-FCE-CAE-CPE);
- Candidates who are successful in KET are able to satisfy their basic communication needs.
- A2 is a point of transition from elementary user to independent user.



Framework of Reference for Languages



General English

Language Testing Service

English Certificates Legal English Certificate

#### The level of KET:

#### KET candidate

Can understand simple questions, directions and instructions.

Can express simple opinions or requirements in a familiar context.

**Can** understand basic information within a known area.

Can complete forms and write short simple letters or postcards related to personal information.

## The format of the exam (3 parts)

Reading/writing (1 hour 10 minutes)

Listening (30 minutes)

Speaking (8-10 min per a pair)

# Paper 1. Reading/Writing

Paper 1. Reading	35 min	35 questions	35 points
Paper 1. Writing	35 min	20 questions objective	20 points
		A note 25-30 words	5 points

## **Reading Part 5**

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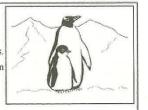
#### Part 5

#### Questions 28-35

Read the article about penguins. Choose the best word (A, B or C) for each space.

For questions 28-35, mark A, B or C on your answer sheet.

#### PENGUINS



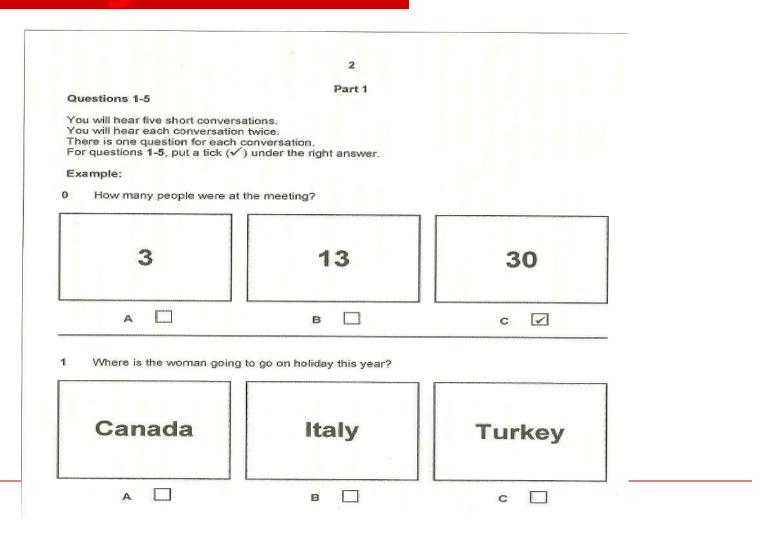
In spring, (31) ........... penguins come together on the beaches of Antarctica. The female penguin has one or two eggs. She puts (32) .......... eggs on the ground and sits there to keep (33) ............. warm. But she doesn't sit all the time because penguins can move with one egg between their legs.

(34) ...... the female penguin is sitting on the eggs, the male penguin brings her food. He also (35) ...... this when the baby penguins are born.

# Paper 2. Listening. Paper 3. Speaking

Paper 2. Listening	30 min	25 questions	25 points
Paper 3. Speaking	8-10 per pair of candidates	<ol> <li>Interview</li> <li>Asking questions from the card</li> <li>Answering questions from the card</li> </ol>	20 points

### Listening Part 1



# Writing

- Writing Test consists of 4 parts:
- Parts 6-8 are objective tasks.
- Part 9 is a written message (25-35 words), e.g. a note of a postcard to a friend (5 points on a 5-band scale).

#### Written task 1.

Write 25-35 words in reply to the note from your friend.

Let's meet for dinner near your house on Saturday. Where shall we eat? What time can you come? Where can I park my car?

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## Writing Part 9 assessment

- Candidates must respond to the prompts given ( Where shall we eat? What time can you come? Where can I park my car? ).
- Candidates should write the minimum 25 words.
- Only minor grammar and spelling errors are acceptable for bands 4 and 5.

# Speaking

- 2 candidates;
- 2 examiners:
- An interlocutor sits in front of the candidates and manages the conversation.
- An assessor sits aside, doesn't take part in the interaction. Her role is to assess and award marks.

# Speaking Part 1

It takes 5-6 min per a pair of candidates.

Each candidate interacts with the interlocutor, spells his\her name, answers the questions about his place of origin, hobbies, occupation, family.

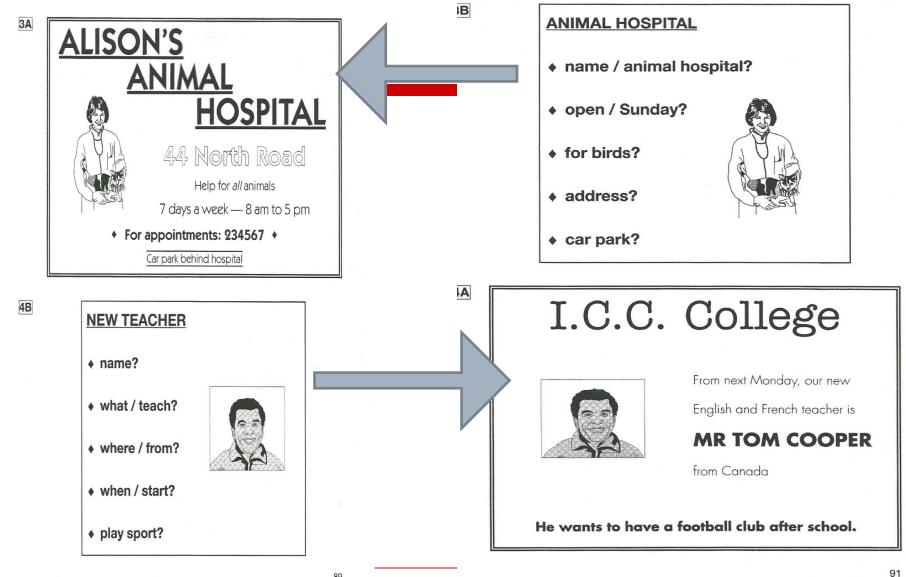
# Sample Questions for Part 1.

- What's your name / surname? How do you spell that?
- Where are you from?
- Tell me smth about your home town
- What do you think of Moscow? What places in Moscow do you like?
- Have you got any hobby? What do you like to do in your free time?
- What do you like in your University and student life?
- Do you watch TV or DVD? What programmes or films do you watch?

# Speaking Part 2

- It takes 3-4 min per a pair of candidates;
- The candidates in turn ask and answer questions based on prompt cards.

#### **KET** Practice: set 1



# **Scoring KET**

89-105	Pass with merit
74-88	Pass
68-73	Narrow fail
47-72	A2
51 and less	Fail

# Preparation for KET

- All students who complete Touchstone 2 Module are to take mock KET Exam.
- We cannot issue KET certificates, but the result counts toward the final grade (in 2013 it constitutes 30 points out of 100).
- Materials: "Touchstone 2" + "Common Mistakes at KET"+ trial exam materials
- For more information see the Folder Practical Tips from a Coordinator.

We also strongly recommend the sites:

https://www.teachers.cambridgeesol.org/ts/ /exams/generalenglish/ket

www.cambrigeesol.org ( exam
practice + grammar & vocabulary practice).