

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.
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CEFR

GENERAL ENGLISH

PROFESSIONAL

ACADEMIC

mastery

C2

certificate of proficiency in English

CPE

effective operational proficiency

C1

certificate in advanced English

CAE

higher

BEC

ILEC

ICFE

BULATS

IELTS

vantage

B2

first certificate in English

FCE

vantage

BEC

threshold

B1

preliminary English test

PET

preliminary

BEC

waystage

A2

flyers

YLE

key English test

KET

breakthrough

A1

movers

YLE

starters

YLE

Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

General English

Business Language Testing Service

Business English Certificates

International Legal English Certificate

International Certificate in Financial English

International English Language Testing System

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)
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Paper 1. Reading/Writing

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| 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

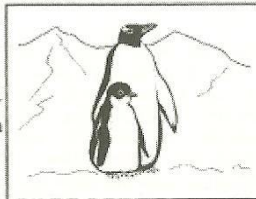
Questions 28-35

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

There (0) seventeen different types of penguins. They can be (28) forty centimetres to more than one metre tall. They all (29) in the south part of the world. In winter, they swim (30) long way to find warmer weather.



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.

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Example:

0 A is B are C be Answer: 0 A B C

- 28 A from B by C between
29 A lives B live C lived
30 A one B the C a
31 A lots B much C many
32 A her B hers C she
33 A it B them C their
34 A When B How C Who
35 A does B do C doing

Paper 2. Listening.

Paper 3. Speaking

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| Paper 2. Listening | 30 min | 25 questions | 25 points |
| Paper 3. Speaking | 8-10 per pair of candidates | 1. Interview | 20 points |
| | | 2. Asking questions from the card | |
| | | 3. Answering questions from the card | |

Listening Part 1

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Part 1

Questions 1-5

You will hear five short conversations.
You will hear each conversation twice.
There is one question for each conversation.
For questions 1-5, put a tick (✓) under the right answer.

Example:

0 How many people were at the meeting?

3

A

13

B

30

C

1 Where is the woman going to go on holiday this year?

Canada

A

Italy

B

Turkey

C

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).
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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?

Spencer

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.
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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.
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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.
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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 .
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KET Practice : set 1

3A

ALISON'S
ANIMAL
HOSPITAL



44 North Road

Help for *all* animals

7 days a week — 8 am to 5 pm


◆ For appointments: 234567 ◆

Car park behind hospital

1B

ANIMAL HOSPITAL

- ◆ name / animal hospital?
- ◆ open / Sunday?
- ◆ for birds?
- ◆ address?
- ◆ car park?



4B


NEW TEACHER

- ◆ name?
- ◆ what / teach?
- ◆ where / from?
- ◆ when / start?
- ◆ play sport?



1A

I.C.C. College



From next Monday, our new
English and French teacher is
MR TOM COOPER
from Canada

He wants to have a football club after school.

Scoring KET

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| <i>89-105</i> | <i>Pass with merit</i> |
| <i>74-88</i> | <i>Pass</i> |
| <i>68-73</i> | <i>Narrow fail</i> |
| <i>47-72</i> | <i>A2</i> |
| <i>51 and less</i> | <i>Fail</i> |

Preparation for KET

- All students who complete Touchstone 2 Module are to take mock KET Exam.
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 - 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*.
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We also strongly recommend the sites:

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

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