

# What is IELTS ?

- International
- English
- Language
- Testing
- System

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- IELTS comprises the Academic Module and the General Training Module.
- IELTS is a test of English Language skills and ability.

# Who owns IELTS ?

1. UCESOL – the University of Cambridge ESOL
2. The British Council
3. IDP Education Australia: IELTS Australia

The British Council and IDP deliver IELTS around the world.

Cambridge ESOL and IDP develop the tests with assistance from teams of item writers in various countries.

This means that the test includes international English content and uses a variety of English accents.

# What is IELTS ?

The **Academic module** is used for university entrance and professional registration.

The **General Training module** is used for entrance to technical training courses. It is also used by several countries (Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand) for immigration purposes.

# How is IELTS made up



# Listening

# LISTENING TEST

- 4 sections, 40 questions
  - short answers
  - multiple choice
  - completing sentences
  - notes
  - writing a summary
  - referring to maps, flow charts, tables

Time: 30 minutes + 10 minutes to transfer answers to Answer Sheet.

# LISTENING

This is in 4 sections, each with 10 questions. The first two sections are concerned with social needs. There is conversation between two speakers and then a monologue. The final two sections are concerned with situations related to educational or training contexts. There is a conversation between upto four people and then a monologue.

A variety of question types are used including : multiple choice, short- answers questions, sentence completion, notes/ chart/ table completion, labelling of diagram, classification, matching

Candidates hear the recording once only and answer the questions as they listen. Ten minutes are allowed at the end to transfer answers to the answer sheet



# Tips for Solving the Listening Section

- Often speakers will give you an answer and then correct themselves, watch out for this. Its a common trick
- Read, write and listen at the same time.
- Don't be surprised if you hear a range of accents and dialects as IELTS is an international test.

# Reading

# READING TEST - Academic

3 sections, 40 questions

- short answers
  - multiple choice
  - matching paragraphs with headings
  - classification
  - true false not given
  - completing sentences
  - notes
  - tables
  - a summary
- Time: 60 minutes

No extra time to transfer answers - write answers directly onto the answer sheet.

# READING

There are three reading passages of increasing difficulty, on topics of general interest and candidates have to answer 40 questions. The passages are taken from magazines, journals, books and newspapers. At least one text contains detailed logical arguments.

A variety of question types are used including multiple choice, short answer questions, sentence completions, notes/ charts/ table completion, labelling a diagram, classification, matching list/phrases, choosing suitable paragraph headings from a list, identification of writer's views/attitudes.

# Tips for Solving the Reading Section

- Look at the ways the paragraphs are organised
- Don't concentrate on words you don't know. Its waste of valuable time.
- Check spellings

# Writing

# WRITING TEST ACADEMIC MODULE

**2 Tasks:** Task 1      150 word essay  
                  Task 2      250 word essay

## Task 1

describe information usually presented in the form of  
a graph or table

describe a process, procedure, cycle

## Task 2

discussion essay

*Time: 60 minutes*

# WRITING

There are two tasks and it is suggested that candidates spend about 20 minutes on Task 1, which requires them to write at least 150 words, and 40 minutes on Task 2- 250 words. The assessment of Task 2 carries more weight in marking than Task 1.

In Task 1 candidates are asked to look at a diagram or table and to present the information in their own words. They are assessed on their ability to organise, present and possibly compare data, describe the stages of a process, describe an object or event, explain how something works.

In Task 2 candidates are presented with a point of view, argument or problem. They are assessed on their ability to present a solution to the problem, present and justify an opinion, compare and contrast evidence and opinions, evaluate and challenge ideas, evidence or arguments

Candidates are also judged on their ability to write in an appropriate style



# ACADEMIC TOPICS FOR IELTS WRITING

## **Major Topics Sub-Topics**

**Family** Role of parents; Marriage; Children; Family planning; Age of consent; ...

**Education** Technology & Education; Role of the teacher; Cost; Continuing Education; Uniforms; Learning Styles; Place of Computers;

**Health** Western Medicine vs. Traditional Medicine; Diet; Healthy Lifestyle; Cost of Medicine; Private vs Public Health; ...

**Employment** Training; Automation; Employment conditions; Workers' rights

**Communication** Global; Internet; Access to information; Privacy;

**Media** Privacy; Role of the Media; Advertising; Control of the Media; Types of Media; Censorship; Invasion of privacy;

**Technology** Computers; Machines;

# Tips for Solving the Writing Section

- **Don't repeat ideas in a different ways.**
- **Don't write too many words. Keep to the word limit for each task.**
- **Learn to recognise how long 150/250 words are in your own handwriting. You don't really have time to count.**

# Speaking

# SPEAKING TEST

3 Parts

- 1 Introduction and interview - 4 Minutes
- 2 Speaking on a given topic - 4 Minutes
- 3 Two-way discussion - 4 Minutes

*Time: 11-14 minutes*

*The Interview is recorded.*

# SPEAKING

The speaking module takes between 11 and 14 minutes. It consists of an oral interview between the candidate and an examiner.

There are three main parts

Part I: The candidate and the examiner introduce themselves and then the candidate answers general questions about themselves, their home/ family, their jobs/ studies. Their interests and a wide range of similar familiar topic areas. This part lasts between four and five minutes

Part II: The candidate is given a task card with prompts and is asked to talk on a particular topic. The candidate has one minute to prepare and they can make some notes if they wish, before speaking between one and two minutes. The examiner then asks one or two rounding – of questions.

# SPEAKING

Part III: The examiner and the candidate engage in a discussion of more abstract issues and concepts, which are thematically linked to the topic prompt in Part II. The discussion lasts between four and five minutes.

The speaking module assesses whether candidates can communicate effectively in English. The assessment takes into account Fluency and Coherence, Lexical Resources, Grammatical Range and Accuracy and Pronunciation

# Tips for Solving the Speaking Section

- It tests your ability to communicate effectively not just your grammatical accuracy.
- Prepare your introduction very well at home .
- Practice recording ideas onto a tape recorder at home.

# Scoring in IELTS

IELTS describes English ability according to 9 levels –

called Bands



# HOW IS IELTS SCORED

IELTS scores are reported on a nine band scale.

9 - Expert User

8 - Very Good User

7 - Good User

6 - Competent User

5 - Modest User

4 - Limited User

3 - Extremely Limited User

2 - Intermittent User

1 - Non User

0 - Did not attempt the test

# Benefits of our Classes

- We have been teaching IELTS for 8 years
- Taught more than 100 students.
- We are aware what score is required for which Universities

# Benefits of our Classes

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**Time: 8:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday-Friday**

**Lesson Duration :60 min**

**Fees: 4000 tg per lesson**

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