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Cambridge English Advanced

Brief exam guide
for exams from 2015



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One exam – endless opportunities

Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) is a high quality, international English language qualification that you can use for your university and student visa application. Preparing for the exam helps you develop the language skills needed for success in study and work.

Prove to universities you are prepared for study

The exam is accepted by educational institutions worldwide, including top universities and colleges in Australia, North America, the UK and Europe.



UK



US



Canada



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Australia



Hong Kong

Show employers you are ready to work

High level English language skills enhance your employment opportunities.

Many of the world's top employers accept the exam, including Accenture, Bayer, Dell and Ernst & Young.

Use the exam for visa applications

As well as using your certificate for university applications worldwide, you can also use it for your visa application to Australia. The exam is also accepted for student visas in Ireland.

To view the full list of institutions which accept the exam, visit www.cambridgeenglish.org/recognition

What level is the exam?

The exam focuses on Level C1 (*IELTS* band score 6.5 to 8.0) of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) – the level required for academic and professional success.

What's in the exam?

Supported by the largest research programme of its kind, the exam is designed to be fair to users of all nationalities and linguistic backgrounds.

It covers all four language skills (Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking) and knowledge of grammar and vocabulary.

Reading and Use of English:
1 hour 30 minutes

Shows that you can understand texts from publications such as fiction and non-fiction books, journals, newspapers and magazines.

Writing:
1 hour 30 minutes

Shows that you can produce two different pieces of writing, including an essay.

Listening:
40 minutes

Shows that you can follow and understand a range of spoken materials.

Speaking:
15 minutes

Shows that you can communicate in a real-life context. You take the test face-to-face with one or two other candidates.

Your overall performance is calculated by averaging the scores you achieve in Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking and Use of English. The weighting of each of the four skills and Use of English is equal.

Download sample papers
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The exam can be taken on paper or on computer.



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“I'm a Spanish university student. My *Cambridge English: Advanced* certificate got me onto a course in Canada at the University of British Columbia. My ambition? To work for an organisation that builds and develops international relations.”

Alexandra
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