

# ***BRING YOUR TOMORROW CLOSER***



A photograph of three people sitting around a wooden table in a modern office setting. A woman with long dark hair is laughing and looking at a laptop. Another woman with long blonde hair is looking at the same laptop. A third person is partially visible on the right. The laptop screen shows the Unsplash website. There are glasses of water and a notebook on the table. A large red circular graphic is overlaid on the bottom half of the image, containing the text.

**IELTS – the  
test that  
opens doors  
throughout  
the world**





The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is the world's most popular English language proficiency test for higher education and global migration, with millions of IELTS tests taken each year.

IELTS is trusted by over **11,000** organisations, including universities, professional bodies, employers and migration authorities.



**UK** - Live, work and study in the UK with IELTS. IELTS is the most widely - accepted English language test by the UK universities and government offices.



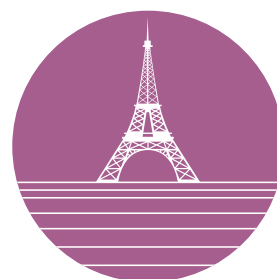
**USA** - Among the universities in the US, 95 % undergraduate programmes and 99 % postgraduate programmes accept IELTS.



**Canada** - Whether you are going to Canada for study, applying for a work visa, a professional registration or permanent residency, you can prove your English proficiency with IELTS.



**Australasia** - With IELTS you can be confident that you are taking a test that is accepted by all universities colleges and every professional association in both Australia and New Zealand.



**Other Countries** - Many programmes taught in English in European universities and colleges accept and trust IELTS.



**Philippines** - Many universities and companies in the Philippines accept IELTS as evidence of English language proficiency.



# About IELTS

IELTS is a test that measures the language proficiency of those who want to study or work in environments where English is used as a language of communication. There are two modules to choose from: **IELTS Academic** and **IELTS General Training**.

## IELTS Academic

- To study at the undergraduate or postgraduate level.
- To join a professional organisation or registration in an English - speaking country.

## IELTS General Training

- To work or undertake work - related training in an English - speaking country.
- To immigrate to an English - speaking country.
- To study or train at below degree level.

Each organisation sets its own entry requirements. In some cases, both the Academic and General Training module may be accepted. If you are in doubt as to which module to take, you should contact the organisation to which you are applying to confirm their requirements.





## IELTS for UKVI

IELTS for UKVI is a UK government - approved Secure English Language Test (SELT). This means that IELTS can be used to prove your English language abilities in support of a UK Visa and Immigration (UKVI) application.

To find out whether you need to take an approved SELT test, what level you need to achieve and which test you can use, please visit [www.ieltsasia.org/ph/study-in-uk/ukvi](http://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/study-in-uk/ukvi)





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# The IELTS Score scale

You will be given a score from 1 to 9 for each part of the test: Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking. The average of these four represents your overall band score. You can score whole (e.g: 5.0, 6.0, 7.0) or half (e.g: 5.5, 6.5, 7.5) bands in each part of the test.

Skill Level	Description	Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)	
9 8.5	Expert user You have fully operational command of the language. Your use of English is appropriate, accurate and fluent, and you show complete understanding.	C2	Proficient User
8 7.5	Very good user You have a fully operational command of the language with only occasional unsystematic inaccuracies and inappropriate usage. You may misunderstand some things in unfamiliar situations. You handle complex detailed argumentation well.	C1	
7	Good user You have an operational command of the language, though with occasional inaccuracies, inappropriate usage and misunderstandings in some situations. Generally, you handle complex language well and understand detailed reasoning.		
6.5 6 5.5	Competent user Generally, you have an effective command of the language despite some inaccuracies, inappropriate usage and misunderstandings. You can use and understand fairly complex language, particularly in familiar situations.	B2	Independent User
5 4.5 4	Modest user You have a partial command of the language, and cope with overall meaning in most situations, although you are likely to make many mistakes. You should be able to handle basic communication in your own field.	B1	
3	Limited user Your basic competence is limited to familiar situations. You frequently show problems in understanding and expression. You are not able to use complex language.	N/A	N/A
2	Extremely limited user You convey and understand only general meaning in very familiar situations. There are frequent breakdowns in communication.		
	Intermittent user You have great difficulty understanding spoken and written English.		
1	Non-user You have no ability to use the language except for a few isolated words.		

# The IELTS test format

The actual test taken is the same for both IELTS and IELTS for UKVI, with the same content, examiners, format, level of difficulty, scoring and so on. The only difference between the two is that IELTS for UKVI is administered in a test venue with video recording and CCTV facilities.

## Speaking

*(Time: 11 - 14 minutes)*



A face-to-face interview comprised of three sections: short questions, speaking at length about a familiar topic and a structured discussion.

The Speaking test in IELTS on Computer is scheduled in the same day as your written test. It may be taken in the morning or in the afternoon and may either be delivered in-person or through video call.

## Listening

*(Time: 30 minutes, plus 10 minute extra to transfer your answer to the sheet in IELTS on paper)*



There are four sections, which include both monologues and conversations. A variety of voices and accents are used and each section is played only once.

## Reading

*(Time: 60 minutes)*



### Academic

There are three long reading passages with tasks. Texts range from descriptive and factual to the discursive and analytical and may include non-verbal material such as diagrams, graphs or illustrations.

### General Training

There are three reading passages with tasks. Section 1 contains two or three short factual texts. Section 2 contains two short, work-related, factual texts. Section 3 contains one longer text on a topic of general interest.

## Writing

*(Time: 60 minutes)*



### Academic

There are two tasks in total. In Task 1, you are presented with a table, graph, chart or diagram and are asked to describe, summarise or explain the information in no less than 150 words. In Task 2, you are asked to write an essay of no less than 250 words in response to a point of view, argument or problem.

### General Training

There are two tasks. In Task 1, you are presented with a situation and are asked to write a letter of at least 150 words to request information or explain the situation. In Task 2, you are asked to write an essay of no less than 250 words in response to a point of view, argument or problem.





A person is sitting at a desk, writing in a notebook with a pencil. To the left of the person is a potted plant with green grass-like leaves. The background is a light-colored wall with vertical wooden slats. A dark blue banner with white text is overlaid on the top left of the image.

**IELTS on computer is  
now available in more  
locations nationwide!**





## What is IELTS on Computer?

We are continually enhancing IELTS – the world's most popular test of English for higher education and global migration – to improve the experience of IELTS for our test takers and stakeholders.

IELTS Academic and General Training testing provide more options to our test takers and stakeholders, while retaining all of the test's current security, trust and integrity.

With IELTS on computer, there are more test dates available, test takers can choose IELTS at a time convenient for them, and they will receive their results in three to five days.

The Test Report Form, content, timing and structure of the test is the same whether you take the test on paper or on computer and the Speaking test is always face-to-face with a certified IELTS Examiner.

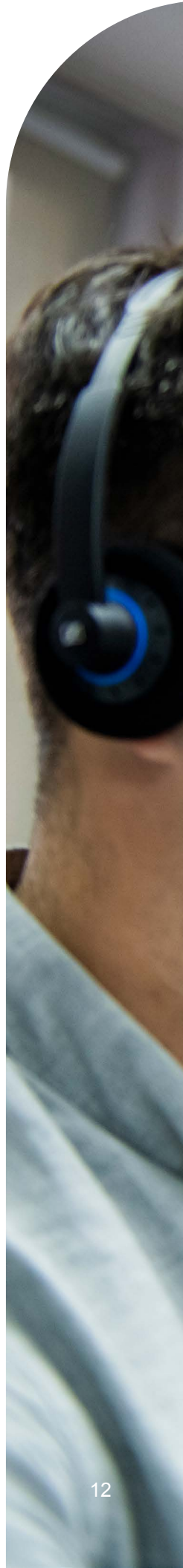
If you choose to take IELTS on computer, you will take the Listening, Reading and Writing test using a computer. All aspects of the test are identical to IELTS on paper, including:

- Price
- Content
- Timings
- Question types
- Scoring
- Speaking test delivery
- Test Report Form
- Results verification

## Why IELTS on computer is in-demand?

- Faster results – Your IELTS results are available 3-5 days after the test.
- More test sessions – Test sessions are available throughout the week.
- More Speaking test timeslots – Speaking timeslots are available on the same day.
- Marking – Reading and Listening sections are auto-marked by computers.
- Listening test – Headphones are provided.

Learn more <https://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/choose-test-format#test-formats>.





IELTS on Computer is widely offered in the following locations:

- Manila - The Curve, BGC (daily)
- Manila - Systems Plus Computer College (Thursday to Sunday)
- Manila - MFI Ortigas, Pasig (Friday to Sunday)
- Manila - STI Pasay-EDSA (Monday and Friday)
- Baguio - Pines International Academy (Friday to Sunday)
- Pampanga - Systems Plus Angeles City (Saturday to Sunday)
- Cebu - CPILS (Friday to Sunday)
- Naga - Ateneo De Naga University (every first and third Saturday)
- Dipolog - Care Immigration Services (every last Saturday)

# IELTS Life Skills

IELTS Life Skills is for people bound for the UK who need to show that they have speaking and listening skills at Level A1, A2 or B1 of the Common European Framework (CEFR) of Reference for Languages.

**A1**

This test is for those who need to prove their English speaking and listening skills as part of their application to UK Visas and Immigration for the Family of a Settled Person visa.

**A2**

This test is for those who need to prove their speaking and listening skills as part of their application to UK Visas and Immigration for an extension to a Family, Spouse or Partner visa.

**B1**

This test is for those who need to prove their speaking and listening skills as part of their application to UK Visas and Immigration for an extension to a Family, Spouse or Partner visa.









# IELTS Life Skills test format

IELTS Life Skills is a speaking and listening test. You will take the test face - to - face with an examiner, along with one other candidate. You will participate in a structured conversation listening and responding to a selection of tasks.

The tasks in IELTS Life Skills are designed to reflect the everyday experience of communicating in an English - speaking country. You will be expected to take part in short discussions on everyday subjects.



# A1

## Speaking and Listening

(Time: 16-18 minutes)

**You will be expected to:**  
Listen and respond to spoken language, including simple narratives, statements, questions and single - step instructions.

Communicate basic information, feelings and opinions on familiar topics.

Talk with another person in a familiar situation about familiar topics.

# A2

## Speaking and Listening

(Time: 20 minutes)

**You will be expected to:**  
Listen and respond to spoken language, including straightforward information, short narratives, explanations and instructions.

Communicate information, feelings and opinions on familiar topics.

Talk with one or more people in a familiar situation to establish a shared understanding about familiar topics.

# B1

## Speaking and Listening

(Time: 22 minutes)

**You will be expected to:**  
Listen and respond to spoken language, including straightforward information and narratives, and follow straightforward explanations and instructions.

Communicate information, feelings and opinions on familiar topics using appropriate formality.

Talk with one or more people in a familiar situation, making relevant points and responding to what others say to reach a shared understanding about familiar topics.







# Why take IELTS?

## Recognition & Acceptance

- Widely recognised by over 11,000 organisations worldwide.
- One test to gain access to English speaking countries including the UK, the US, Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

## Relevance & Authenticity

- Face-to-face (in-person or video call) speaking test is still the most effective way of measuring speaking skills and prompts a more true-to-life assessment of a test taker's ability to communicate in English.
- Emphasis on real world application of English for overseas study, work abroad, and migration.

## Efficiency & Convenience

- Fast results available online: IELTS on computer: within three to five days after the test. IELTS on paper: 13 days after the test.
- Test results can be sent directly to organisations or institutions.
- Quiet test environments enable test takers to sit the test without distraction.
- Over 1,100 test venues in more than 140 countries.

## GREAT - Why IELTS with the British Council?

G - Global administrator of IELTS in 140 countries.

R - Reputable expert in teaching and testing English for over 85 years.

E - Excellent quality of test venues, provisions and materials.

A - Assortment of free preparation resources such as Road to IELTS.

T - Team of customer service experts to assist and support you.

# IELTS Registration Process

Ready to take the IELTS test?



## STEP 01

### Choose how to take your IELTS test and book online

You can take your test at one of our official test centres on paper or on computer. All you need is a valid identification document and your bank card should you want to pay online.

## STEP 02

### Book your test

Choose from either IELTS on paper, IELTS on computer, or IELTS for UKVI. You may view the test dates and locations here: [www.britishcouncil.ph/exam/ielts/dates-fees-locations](http://www.britishcouncil.ph/exam/ielts/dates-fees-locations)

## STEP 03

### Keep your valid ID onhand

Valid ID can be in a form of a passport, GSIS/SSS ID, PRC License or UMID. Make sure to have your valid ID ready as you will need to enter your ID number or upload a clear photocopy of it when you book your test.

\*Note: Candidates under 18 years of age have to supply written consent by a parent or guardian in order to apply for a test place.



## STEP 04



### Make a payment for the test

Pay for your test through any of the options below.

- Credit card
- BDO Bills Payment over the counter at any BDO branch
- BDO Bills Payment via BDO App or Personal/Business Online Banking
- Bank Transfer from non-BDO account

\*Note: You have 24 hours to complete your registration and payment otherwise your registration will be automatically cancelled.

### Wait for your confirmation

Upon registration and successful payment, you will receive an e-mail confirming that your place has been reserved. Three working days before the test day, you will receive a reminder e-mail about the test. You can also view and print the information on our online registration system.

## STEP 05



## STEP 06



### Ace your IELTS test

Prepare for your test day with free tools and resources available on our website. Check out our Facebook page for other test takers' tips and do's and don'ts to help you achieve your target bandwidth score!

\* We make every effort to make arrangements for test takers with accessibility requirements. All test takers, regardless of disability will be assessed fairly and objectively.

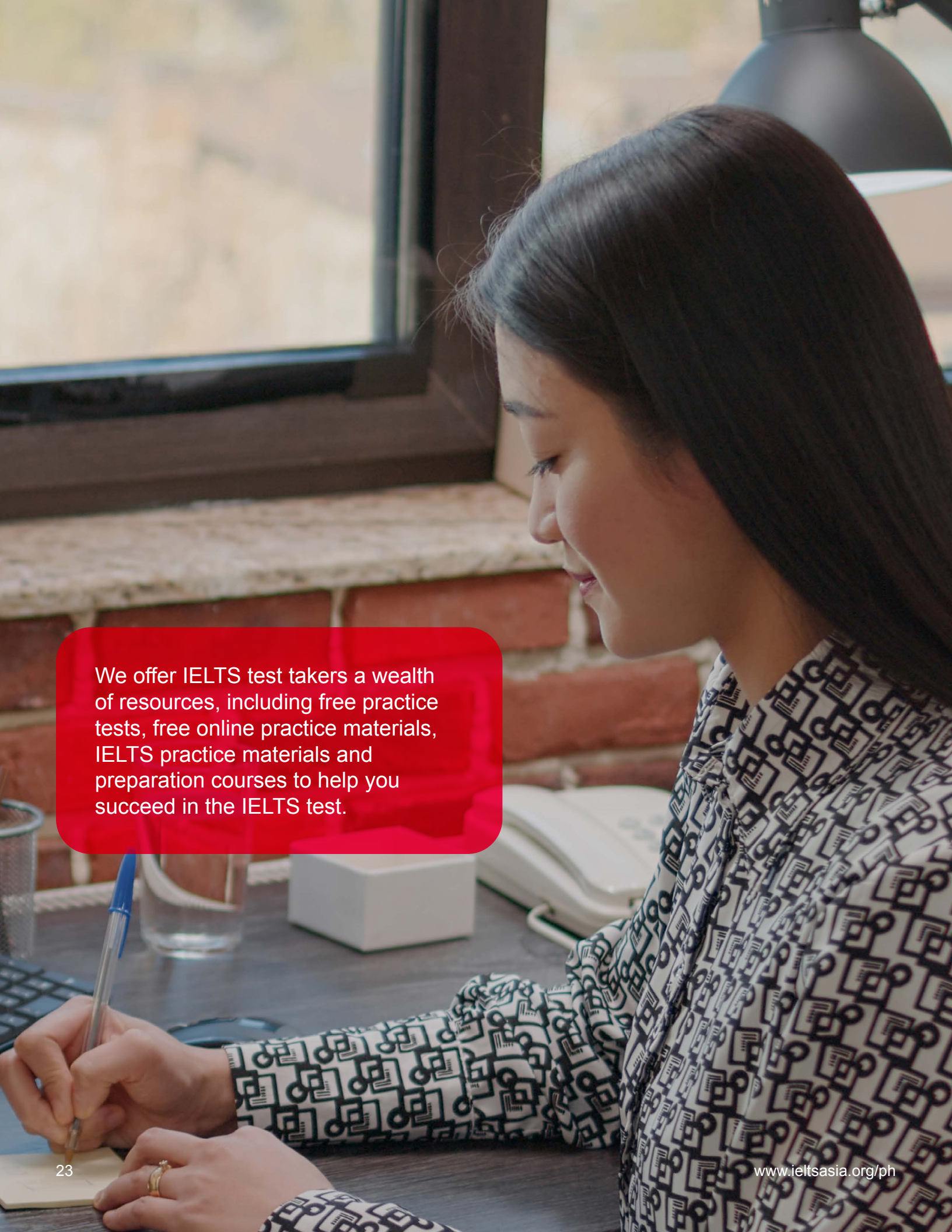
Please inform us before you pay the examination fees if you require special arrangements. Relevant supporting documents, such as medical certificates, should be submitted between six weeks to three months depending on the type of arrangement required.

For more information about the registration process, visit [www.britishcouncil.ph/exam/ielts/book-test](http://www.britishcouncil.ph/exam/ielts/book-test)

# Your Preparation Guide for IELTS







We offer IELTS test takers a wealth of resources, including free practice tests, free online practice materials, IELTS practice materials and preparation courses to help you succeed in the IELTS test.

# Free preparation materials

## Road to IELTS

Road To IELTS is a comprehensive, 100% online preparation course designed by the British Council IELTS experts. It is available in three versions:

- The **Free Version** comes with 30 interactive exercises, four videos giving tips and advice, plus one practice test for each of the four skills.
- The **Last Minute Version** includes nine videos giving advice and tutorials, 100 interactive activities and two practice tests for each of the four skills — and it's free when you register for IELTS with the British Council!
- The **Full Version** includes over 300 interactive activities, 13 videos giving advice and tutorials, 36 practice tests.

## MOOC (Free IELTS online course)

The course runs four times per year. As the course takes you through each section of IELTS, you will become familiar with what to expect in the test, have a chance to practise your English and receive expert tips on how to reach your goals. For details, please visit [www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/free-online-course](http://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/free-online-course).

## Preparation videos

Prepare for the IELTS test with our videos. Get tips, strategies and advice, and learn more about the different criteria used during assessment. Watch the videos here: [www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/videos](http://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/videos)

## Practice tests

Download free copies of practice test papers for the IELTS Academic and General Training module.

You can download the practice test here: [www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/practice-test](http://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/practice-test)

## IELTS on computer familiarisation test

Experience the IELTS on computer test system before you sit for the real test, and know what to expect on the test day. Access the familiarisation test here: [www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/familiarisation-test](http://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/familiarisation-test)

## IELTS Success Essentials

British Council offers a suite of preparation tools and resources that aim to help test takers succeed in achieving their best possible scores in IELTS. Test takers can take advantage of these online materials designed for your needs. For more information on the best offers, visit [www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/ielts-success-essentials](http://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/ielts-success-essentials)









**Be an IELTS Champ  
with Road to IELTS**



**Individual exercises for Listening,  
Reading, Writing, Speaking**

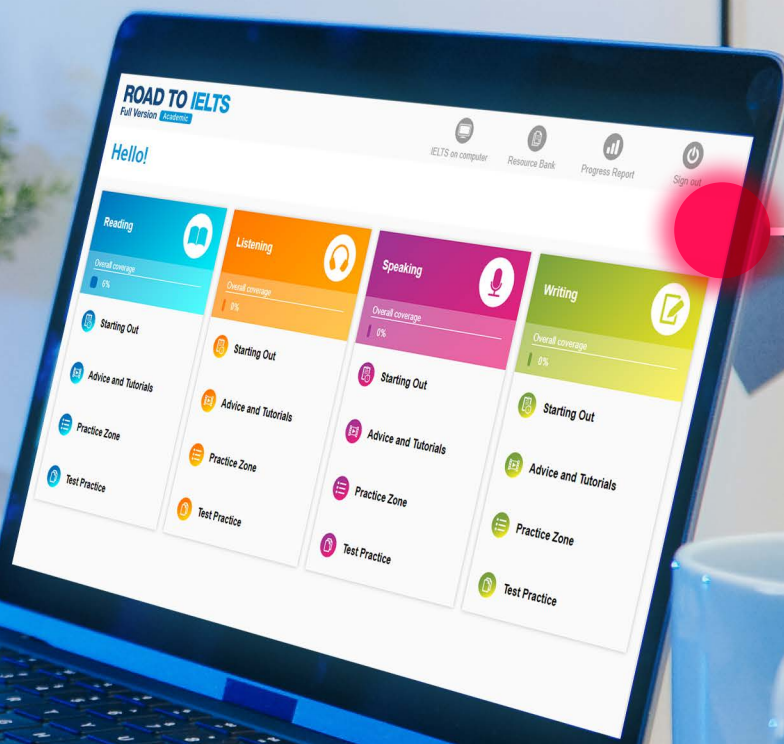
**Timed listening mock practice**

**Tutorial videos by experts**

**Mock test questions with  
sample answers**

**Demo Speaking test environment**

**Progress Management and  
score analysis**



To learn more about Road to IELTS, visit  
[www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/road-to-ielts](http://www.ieltsasia.org/ph/prepare/road-to-ielts)

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# Post-test services





## IELTS Test Results

Test results will be available 13 calendar days (IELTS on paper) or three to five days (IELTS on computer) after the written test, excluding public holidays. You can view your results online through the [Test Taker Portal](#).

Your IELTS result is valid for two years. Official results are given on a Test Report Form (TRF). Your TRF will either be mailed to you or made available for self-collection at the British Council office. For TRF sent by mail, it may take an additional three to five working days. Please ensure that you provide a valid correspondence address on the application form.



## Extra Test Report Form (TRF)

You are given only ONE copy of the Test Report Form (TRF). As part of our service, British Council can send additional copies on your behalf to institutions via courier upon submission of a request form and payment of applicable courier fee. The courier fees are PHP 1,400 for international address and PHP 250 for local embassies.

\*Only IELTS recognising organisations subscribed to the electronic download service can download test taker's results.



## Search for IELTS Recognising Organisations

For a full list of organisations that accept IELTS, please go to the IELTS global recognition search engine available at <https://takeielts.britishcouncil.org/ielts-recognising-organisations/recognise-ielts>





## Enquiry on Result (EOR) Service

Test takers may apply for an enquiry on results (EOR) only at the centre at which they took the test and within six weeks of the test date. For a fee of PHP 5,250 (IELTS) / PHP 7,100 (IELTS for UKVI) / PHP 5,300 (Life Skills), the test taker's material is forwarded to the UK for re-marking. If the score on any module increases after re-marking, the fee will be refunded. The result will normally be available in 21 days, depending on several factors including the number of sections requested for remark. If you have not received a response after 28 days, please contact your test centre.

For more information on how to request for Enquiry on Results, visit [www.britishcouncil.ph/exam/ielts/results](http://www.britishcouncil.ph/exam/ielts/results)



# Health and Safety Protocols for COVID-19



At the British Council, the health and safety of our staff, customers and the communities in which we operate is our top priority.



## COVID-19 Test Day Requirements

If you are taking the test in a venue other than The Curve in BGC, we require that you present one of the following on your test day:

1. Proof of full vaccination (actual vaccination card or certificate). A person is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after their last dose.
2. Paper proof (hard copy) of a negative Covid-19 antigen test a day before the first test component.
3. Paper proof (hard copy) of a negative RT-PCR test taken up to 72 hours before the first exam component.
4. If you have recently recovered from Covid-19, paper proof (hard copy) of full recovery from your healthcare professional that you have been cleared of Covid-19 within six months before your test date.

All candidates taking the test at The Curve in BGC will have to provide proof of full vaccination, in line with the building's policy.

## Other health and safety measures on test days

### Self-declaration form

All test takers must sign a declaration form at the entrance of the exams area on test day to declare that they are eligible to attend the test session.

Please do not attend your test if:

- You are under a 14-day compulsory quarantine, stay-at-home order, medical surveillance or a self-quarantine order, as specified by the Philippine Government
- You have a high temperature, persistent cough, difficulty breathing or other flu-like symptoms.
- You have had close contact with confirmed Covid-19 case, or someone displaying Covid-19 symptoms

### Under 18s

Test takers under 18 years of age are strongly recommended to be accompanied by an adult until the necessary checks at the entrance of the test venue have been completed. If you are then excluded from the test, you and your accompanying adult must leave immediately.



If you have not been given permission to leave the test venue unaccompanied, you will be escorted to a holding area until an adult comes to pick you up. Our staff will follow the British Council child protection policy and procedures when they proceed with this arrangement.

This requirement is for the health and safety of all test-takers – if you are unable to comply with this at this point, we apologise – you may request a transfer or refund.

- We are implementing temperature screening in the test venue before test takers enter the exams area. Test takers with symptoms of fever will not be able to take the test
- We advise you to report an additional 30 minutes prior to the previously specified arrival time of the test
- Please follow basic hygiene practices such as using hand-sanitiser provided on test day and regularly washing your hands
- Please maintain a one metre distance from other test takers or staff wherever possible
- Please bring your face mask that covers your mouth and nose and a full face shield. You may be requested to remove this for identification or other purposes.
- For speaking tests staff and examiners may/will also wear a face mask. Neither the test taker nor the examiner can insist that the other remove or put on a mask for the purpose of the interview
- All test venues will be thoroughly cleaned prior to the start of the test. For computer delivered tests, equipment will be cleaned between sessions
- You will be asked to take any stationery you use at the venue away with you except scratch paper, notes or workings sheets.

### **After your test:**

If you are diagnosed with Covid-19 within 14 days after you take your test, please report this to your test centre by email. This will help ensure we can communicate with other test takers and follow local health authority and government advice.



# Ready to bring your tomorrow closer?

Click here: <https://www.britishcouncil.ph/exam/ielts/dates-fees-locations>

We offer a range of convenient test dates in Manila, Baguio, Bacolod, Batangas, Cabanatuan, Cagayan de Oro, Cebu, Dagupan, Davao, Dipolog, Iloilo, Laguna, Leyte, Naga, Pampanga and Tagaytay. You can choose to take IELTS on paper or on a computer. Scan the QR code to learn more.