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Dear Colleagues,

Hope you've all had a most relaxing and enjoyable Summer break, which, I know, every year it seems to go by faster and faster...we're all in the same boat here.

Anyway, this is a very special year – a leap year, which occurs once every four years and as such, it should be celebrated. There are also legends and superstitions around the Leap year but we are determined to make it special in a positive way so get ready to leave a new print.

For this purpose, I have included lots of useful information from Cambridge English, the range is vast – from information on the Cambridge Scale to classroom resources and exam dates and fees. Also, ISE can now be taken in modules – Speaking & Listening, Reading & Writing or the usual Full ISE. The fees for these components are included in the newsletter to help you organize and motivate your students. This is ideal for those students who need an extra push before achieving a higher level.

So, to round up, I leave you with some food for thought ...

Where does the phrase *leap year* come from?

In 365-day years, known as *common years*, fixed dates advance one day in the week per year. For example, Christmas fell on a Thursday in 2014 and on a Friday in 2015. With the insertion of a leap day, dates (following February) advance two days instead of one. In 2016, Christmas will leap over Saturday to fall on a Sunday.

Will you be celebrating *leap day* in anyway? This could be a good topic to fire up a discussion with your students.

Have a good start!

All the best

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Cambridge English certificates on LinkedIn have launched

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Cambridge English has been working with LinkedIn to develop a new way to promote Cambridge English certificates and qualifications to future employers, colleagues and LinkedIn connections.

Learners and teachers can now add their certificate or qualification to their LinkedIn profile, and we would like your help to promote this new feature. You can add it to your profile by simply choosing the Add to profile button **on our website**. Recognising organisations can verify qualifications using our **Online Verification Service**.

Cambridge English exams are accepted for UK University Degree courses

Cambridge English: Advanced and *Proficiency* can be used to apply to universities for degree courses (or higher), where these exams are accepted. It is important that you and your preparation centres continue to recommend these exams for study at UK universities.

Candidates from outside the EU who need to apply for a Tier 4 visa to study at degree level and above at a Tier 4 Sponsor university, are only required to present the proof of English language level that the university requires; UKVI does not require them to have taken a test from the UKVI list of Secure English Language Tests (SELT tests).

For courses below degree level, universities need to accept an approved SELT from international applicants. IELTS is included on UKVI's SELT list. For UK visa and immigration purposes, IELTS will need to be taken under SELT conditions at approved centres.

Further details about using Cambridge English exams for UK university admissions can be found in [this FAQ](#) . Your students can find further information about studying in the UK [here](#). If you have any questions regarding UK university recognition, do [get in touch](#).

Cambridge News: More exams added to the Cambridge English Scale

In January 2015, we launched a new way of reporting results for our exams – the [Cambridge English Scale](#).

We are now pleased to inform you that from February 2016 the Cambridge English Scale will also apply to Cambridge English: Key, Key for Schools, Preliminary, Preliminary for Schools, Business Preliminary, Vantage and Higher.

To help you explain the changes to your candidates, we have created:

- a free downloadable factsheet
- an online tool that makes it easy to convert and compare Cambridge English Scale scores to standardised scores and IELTS scores
- a short explanatory video.

Find out more at www.cambridgeenglish.org/cambridgeenglishscale.



Important News: Cambridge English

Ban on mobile phones and electronic devices from 2016

This is a reminder that from January 2016, candidates will not be permitted to take their mobile phones or any other electronic devices into the exam room or the Speaking test. Electronic devices include iPods, iPads, e-readers, laptops and any other device on which notes could be accessed, data received or transmitted during an exam session.



This decision was made taking into account the growing threat of mobile technology and prevailing policy of other exam boards around the world. Some centres already comply with these regulations and from 2016 we will be enforcing them worldwide.

From January 2016, any candidates found with mobile phones or other electronic devices in their possession in an exam room will be disqualified.



Anti-cheating poster

Cambridge English have now added this new poster: the Anti-cheating poster.

Students will see it displayed on walls around the exam area. Please do show it to your students, Cambridge would like all teachers to emphasise the consequences of cheating making sure your candidates are aware of the consequences of cheating during a Cambridge English exam.



Bring football into your classrooms!

Do your students know their defenders from their strikers? Make learning English fun through the world's favourite game – football. **Play our fun English language game, Cambridge English FC for free.**



[Download Cambridge English FC for free](#)

As the captain of Cambridge English FC football team, your students must answer English grammar and vocabulary questions. This will help their team pass the ball, get to the goal, shoot and score. They must know their grammar or they'll face being sent to the bench! There are three cups to play for and students progress through each round, unlocking harder questions as they go.

Games are a great way to help your students practise and improve their English in a fun, motivating way. Cambridge English FC is for students at CEFR levels B2–C1 so is suitable for those studying for *Cambridge English: First*, *First for Schools* and *Advanced*. The multiple-choice questions test English language skills such as grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. The game is available for free for iOS and Android devices.

New webinar from Cambridge English

Understanding assessment – what every teacher should know

Teachers need to understand what makes a good test but many teachers are unsure of the key concepts and specialised technical vocabulary associated with Assessment Literacy. This webinar explains in everyday language what teachers need to know about key areas of test design. The presenters also focus on how testing relates to the classroom, and how testing leads to effective teaching and learning.

This and all of Cambridge webinars are now available on our YouTube channel [CambridgeEnglish TV](#).



Sing and Learn – New resource for young learners



Sing and Learn is our new series of videos for young learners, designed to help them learn, remember and use new language. The videos include simple action songs with the words displayed on screen for children to follow and sing along to. Each video also comes with downloadable activity sheets. The activity sheets provide notes for parents and teachers and themed reading and writing activities, all based on the vocabulary, grammar and structures used in the song lyrics.

Songs are a great way to add fun to children's learning and they can also help them practise their pronunciation. *Sing and Learn* uses the tunes of popular children's songs but includes words taken from the word lists used to create our *Cambridge English: Starters* and *Movers* tests.

Do go ahead and use these videos in the classroom and keep parents informed of the resources available in the [Parents and children](#) section on our website.



**Testbank –
new
authentic
practice
tests now
available!**



Online practice tests are now available for *Cambridge English: Key* and *Cambridge English: Preliminary*

Testbank is also available for the following exams:

- *Cambridge English: Key for Schools*
- *Cambridge English: Preliminary for Schools*
- *Cambridge English: First for Schools*
- *Cambridge English: First*
- *Cambridge English: Advanced*

Visit the **website** to find out more.

[*Practice makes perfect!*](#)

Cambridge English News: Prepare for Presentation Plus!



Presentation Plus is an all-in-one classroom presentation tool that makes all of the course materials available at the touch of a button. It's now available for our brand new schools course, *Prepare!*

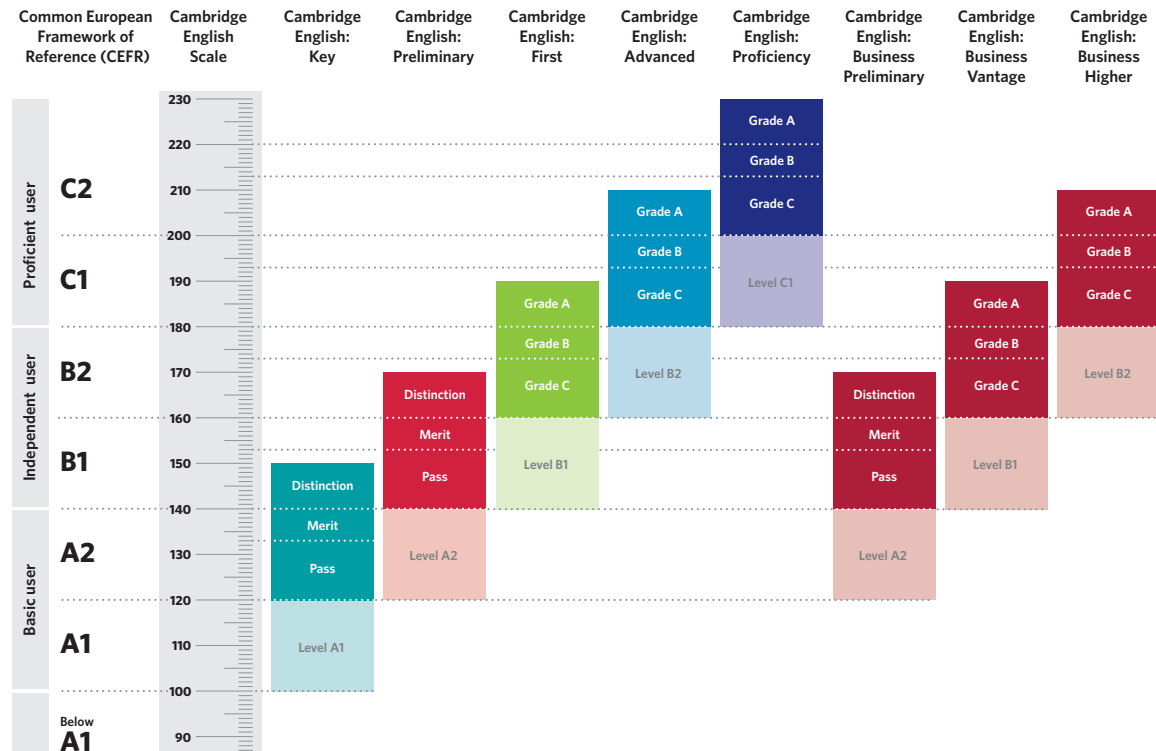
Now being used in over 28 countries worldwide, *Prepare!* provides both General English and Cambridge English for Schools exam preparation. **Watch our video** and find out more about the course and its innovative digital tools.



Cambridge English

The Cambridge English Scale explained

A guide to converting practice test scores to Cambridge English Scale scores



Most Cambridge English exams are now reporting results on the Cambridge English Scale.

For *Cambridge English: First*, *First for Schools*, *Advanced* and *Proficiency*, candidates receive an individual score for each of the four skills – reading, writing, listening, speaking – and Use of English. In the live exams, each of the skills and Use of English are equally weighted, and a candidate's overall score is calculated by adding all of the individual scores together and dividing by five (and then rounding to the nearest whole number).

For *Cambridge English: Preliminary*, *Preliminary for Schools*, and *Cambridge English: Business Certificates (Preliminary, Vantage and Higher)*, candidates receive an individual score for the four skills – reading, writing, listening and speaking. In the live exams, each skill is equally weighted, and a candidate's overall score is calculated by adding all of the individual scores together and dividing by four (and then rounding to the nearest whole number).

For *Cambridge English: Key* and *Key for Schools*, candidates receive an individual score for each paper in the exam – Reading and Writing, Listening and Speaking. In the live exams, the Reading and Writing paper tests two skills so the score is doubled. A candidate's overall score is calculated by adding all of the individual scores together and dividing by four (and then rounding to the nearest whole number).

A candidate's grade and CEFR level are based on their performance

across the whole test, and there is no requirement to achieve a minimum score in each paper.

The following tables can be used as guidance to help you convert practice test scores to Cambridge English Scale scores.

Please note that these only apply when using official Cambridge English practice tests.

The conversion tables are intended to help you provide an indication of your students' readiness to take the relevant exam. The scores you provide may not always reflect the results the students may achieve in a Cambridge English live exam. They should not be used to try to predict precise scores in the live exam, but can be a useful diagnostic tool, indicating areas of relative strength and weakness.

The scores needed on any given test to achieve the scores on the Cambridge English Scale shown in the tables below will vary due to a number of factors, so scores close to CEFR boundaries need to be reviewed carefully. We recommend that this is approximately three Cambridge English Scale score points above and below the score needed to achieve the level, e.g. 157-163 for Level B2. Students who achieve only slightly higher than the Cambridge English Scale score for a given level on a practice test may not achieve that level in the live exam, and we recommend that they continue working to improve so that they reach the desired level.

Cambridge English Key

Cambridge English Key *for Schools*

Reading and Writing

The Reading and Writing paper consists of 9 parts. Correct answers in Parts 1–8 are worth 1 mark each and Part 9 is worth 5 marks. There are 60 possible marks in the Reading and Writing paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
55	140	Level B1
40	120	Level A2
25	100	Level A1
13	82*	-

*minimum score reported for Key

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 25 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
23	140	Level B1
17	120	Level A2
11	100	Level A1
6	82*	-

*minimum score reported for Key

Speaking

Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives 0–5 marks for each of the following criteria: Grammar and Vocabulary; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication. Marks for each of these criteria are doubled. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0–5 for Global Achievement. This mark is then multiplied by three. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 45 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
41	140	Level B1
27	120	Level A2
18	100	Level A1
10	82*	-

*minimum score reported for Key



Cambridge English Preliminary

Cambridge English Preliminary *for Schools*

Reading

The Reading section consists of Parts 1-5 of the Reading and Writing paper. Correct answers in Parts 1-5 are worth 1 mark each. There are 35 possible marks in the Reading section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
32	160	Level B2
25	140	Level B1
15	120	Level A2
7	102*	-

*minimum score reported for *Preliminary*

Writing

The Writing section consists of Parts 6-8 of the Reading and Writing paper. Candidates' answers in the Writing paper are marked by trained examiners who are certificated to mark at the level. Correct answers in Part 6 are worth 1 mark each. Part 7 is marked using a short answer mark scheme and the total number of possible marks is 5. Part 8 is marked using assessment scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. 0-5 marks are given for each of the following criteria: Content; Communicative Achievement; Organisation; and Language. Whole marks only are awarded; there are no half marks given. Marks for each of the criteria are combined to give 20 possible marks for this part, weighted to 15. There are 25 possible marks for writing.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
23	160	Level B2
17	140	Level B1
11	120	Level A2
6	102*	-

*minimum score reported for *Preliminary*

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 25 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
23	160	Level B2
18	140	Level B1
11	120	Level A2
5	102*	-

*minimum score reported for *Preliminary*

Speaking

Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives 0-5 marks for each of the following criteria: Grammar and Vocabulary; Discourse Management; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0-5 for Global Achievement and this mark is doubled. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 30 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
27	160	Level B2
18	140	Level B1
12	120	Level A2
7	102*	-

*minimum score reported for *Preliminary*



Cambridge English First

Cambridge English First for Schools

Reading

The Reading section consists of Parts 1, 5, 6 and 7 of the Reading and Use of English paper. Correct answers in Parts 1 and 7 are worth 1 mark each. Correct answers in Parts 5 and 6 are worth 2 marks each. There are 42 possible marks in the Reading section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
37	180	Level C1
24	160	Level B2
16	140	Level B1
10	122*	-

*minimum score reported for *First*

Use of English

The Use of English section consists of Parts 2, 3 and 4 of the Reading and Use of English paper. Correct answers in Parts 2 and 3 are worth 1 mark each. In Part 4, answers which are partly correct receive 1 mark and answers which are completely correct receive 2 marks. There are 28 possible marks in the Use of English section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
24	180	Level C1
18	160	Level B2
11	140	Level B1
7	122*	-

*minimum score reported for *First*

Writing

Candidates' answers in the Writing paper are marked by trained examiners who are certificated to mark at the level. Answers are marked using assessment scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. 0–5 marks are given for each of the following criteria: Content; Communicative Achievement; Organisation; and Language. Whole marks only are awarded; there are no half marks given. Marks for each of the criteria are combined to give 20 possible marks for each question. There are 40 possible marks for the whole paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
34	180	Level C1
24	160	Level B2
16	140	Level B1
10	122*	-

*minimum score reported for *First*

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 30 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
27	180	Level C1
18	160	Level B2
12	140	Level B1
8	122*	-

*minimum score reported for *First*

Speaking

Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives 0–5 marks for each of the following criteria: Grammar and Vocabulary; Discourse Management; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication. Marks for each of these criteria are doubled. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0–5 for Global Achievement. This mark is then multiplied by four. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 60 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
54	180	Level C1
36	160	Level B2
24	140	Level B1
14	122*	-

*minimum score reported for *First*

Cambridge English Advanced

Reading

The Reading section consists of Parts 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the Reading and Use of English paper. Correct answers in Parts 1 and 8 are worth 1 mark each. Correct answers in Parts 5, 6 and 7 are worth 2 marks each. There are 50 possible marks in the Reading section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
43	200	C2
32	180	C1
23	160	B2
17	142*	-

*minimum score reported for *Advanced*

Use of English

The Use of English section consists of Parts 2, 3 and 4 of the Reading and Use of English paper. Correct answers in Parts 2 and 3 are worth 1 mark each. In Part 4, answers which are partly correct receive 1 mark and answers which are completely correct receive 2 marks. There are 28 possible marks in the Use of English section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
23	200	C2
16	180	C1
11	160	B2
8	142*	-

*minimum score reported for *Advanced*

Writing

Candidates' answers in the Writing paper are marked by trained examiners who are certificated to mark at the level. Answers are marked using assessment scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. 0–5 marks are given for each of the following criteria: Content; Communicative Achievement; Organisation; and Language. Whole marks only are awarded; there are no half marks given. Marks for each of the criteria are combined to give 20 possible marks for each question. There are 40 possible marks for the whole paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
34	200	C2
24	180	C1
16	160	B2
10	142*	-

*minimum score reported for *Advanced*

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 30 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
26	200	C2
18	180	C1
13	160	B2
11	142*	-

*minimum score reported for *Advanced*

Speaking

Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives 0–5 marks for each of the following criteria: Grammatical Resource; Lexical Resource; Discourse Management; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication. Marks for each of these criteria are doubled. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0–5 for Global Achievement. This mark is then multiplied by five. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 75 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
66	200	C2
45	180	C1
30	160	B2
17	142*	-

*minimum score reported for *Advanced*



Cambridge English Proficiency

Reading

The Reading section consists of Parts 1, 5, 6 and 7 of the Reading and Use of English paper. Correct answers in Parts 1 and 7 are worth 1 mark each. Correct answers in Parts 5 and 6 are worth 2 marks each. There are 44 possible marks in the Reading section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
36	220	C2
28	200	C2
22	180	C1
14	162*	-

*minimum score reported for Proficiency

Use of English

The Use of English section consists of Parts 2, 3 and 4 of the Reading and Use of English paper. Correct answers in Parts 2 and 3 are worth 1 mark each. In Part 4, answers which are partly correct receive 1 mark and answers which are completely correct receive 2 marks. There are 28 possible marks in the Use of English section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
22	220	C2
17	200	C2
13	180	C1
9	162*	-

*minimum score reported for Proficiency

Writing

Candidates' answers in the Writing paper are marked by trained examiners who are certificated to mark at the level. Answers are marked using assessment scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. 0–5 marks are given for each of the following criteria: Content; Communicative Achievement; Organisation; and Language. Whole marks only are awarded; there are no half marks given. Marks for each of the criteria are combined to give 20 possible marks for each question. There are 40 possible marks for the whole paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
34	220	C2
24	200	C2
16	180	C1
10	162*	-

*minimum score reported for Proficiency

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 30 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
24	220	C2
18	200	C2
14	180	C1
10	162*	-

*minimum score reported for Proficiency

Speaking

Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives 0–5 marks for each of the following criteria: Grammatical Resource; Lexical Resource; Discourse Management; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication. Marks for each of these criteria are doubled. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0–5 for Global Achievement. This mark is then multiplied by five. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 75 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
66	220	C2
45	200	C2
30	180	C1
17	162*	-

*minimum score reported for Proficiency

Cambridge English BEC Preliminary

Cambridge English: Business Preliminary

Reading

The Reading section consists of Parts 1-7 of the Reading and Writing paper. Correct answers in Parts 1-7 are worth 1 mark each. There are 45 possible marks in the Reading section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
39	160	Level B2
30	140	Level B1
18	120	Level A2
9	102*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Preliminary

Writing

The Writing section consists of Parts 8-9 of the Reading and Writing paper. Candidates' answers in the Writing paper are marked by trained examiners who are certificated to mark at the level using assessment scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. Part 1 is worth 10 marks and Part 2 is worth 20 marks. There are 30 possible marks in the Writing section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
27	160	Level B2
20	140	Level B1
13	120	Level A2
8	102*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Preliminary

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 30 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
26	160	Level B2
20	140	Level B1
12	120	Level A2
6	102*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Preliminary

Speaking

Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners who are certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives a mark of 0-5 for each of the following criteria: Grammar and Vocabulary; Discourse Management; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0-5 for Global Achievement. This mark is then doubled. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 30 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
27	160	Level B2
18	140	Level B1
12	120	Level A2
7	102*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Preliminary



Cambridge English BEC Vantage

Cambridge English: Business Vantage

Reading

The Reading paper consists of 5 parts. Correct answers in Parts 1–5 are worth 1 mark each. There are 45 possible marks in the Reading paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
38	180	Level C1
27	160	Level B2
19	140	Level B1
10	122*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Vantage

Writing

The Writing paper consists of 2 parts. Candidates' answers in the Writing paper are marked by trained examiners who are certificated to mark at the level using assessment scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. Part 1 is worth 10 marks and Part 2 is worth 20 marks. There are 30 possible marks in the Writing section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
26	180	Level C1
18	160	Level B2
12	140	Level B1
7	122*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Vantage

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 30 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
25	180	Level C1
19	160	Level B2
13	140	Level B1
8	122*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Vantage

Speaking

Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners who are certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives a mark of 0–5 for each of the following criteria: Grammar and Vocabulary; Discourse Management; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0–5 for Global Achievement and this mark is doubled. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 30 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
27	180	Level C1
18	160	Level B2
12	140	Level B1
7	122*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Vantage



Cambridge English BEC Higher

Cambridge English: Business Higher

Reading

The Reading paper consists of 6 parts. Correct answers in Parts 1–6 are worth 1 mark each. There are 52 possible marks in the Reading paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
42	200	Level C2
32	180	Level C1
23	160	Level B2
14	142*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Higher

Writing

The Writing paper consists of 2 parts. Candidates' answers in the Writing paper are marked by trained examiners who are certificated to mark at the level using assessment scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. Part 1 is worth 10 marks and Part 2 is worth 20 marks. There are 30 possible marks in the Writing section.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
26	200	Level C2
18	180	Level C1
12	160	Level B2
7	142*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Higher

Listening

Correct answers in the Listening paper are worth 1 mark each. There are 30 possible marks in the Listening paper.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
24	200	Level C2
18	180	Level C1
13	160	Level B2
8	142*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Higher

Speaking

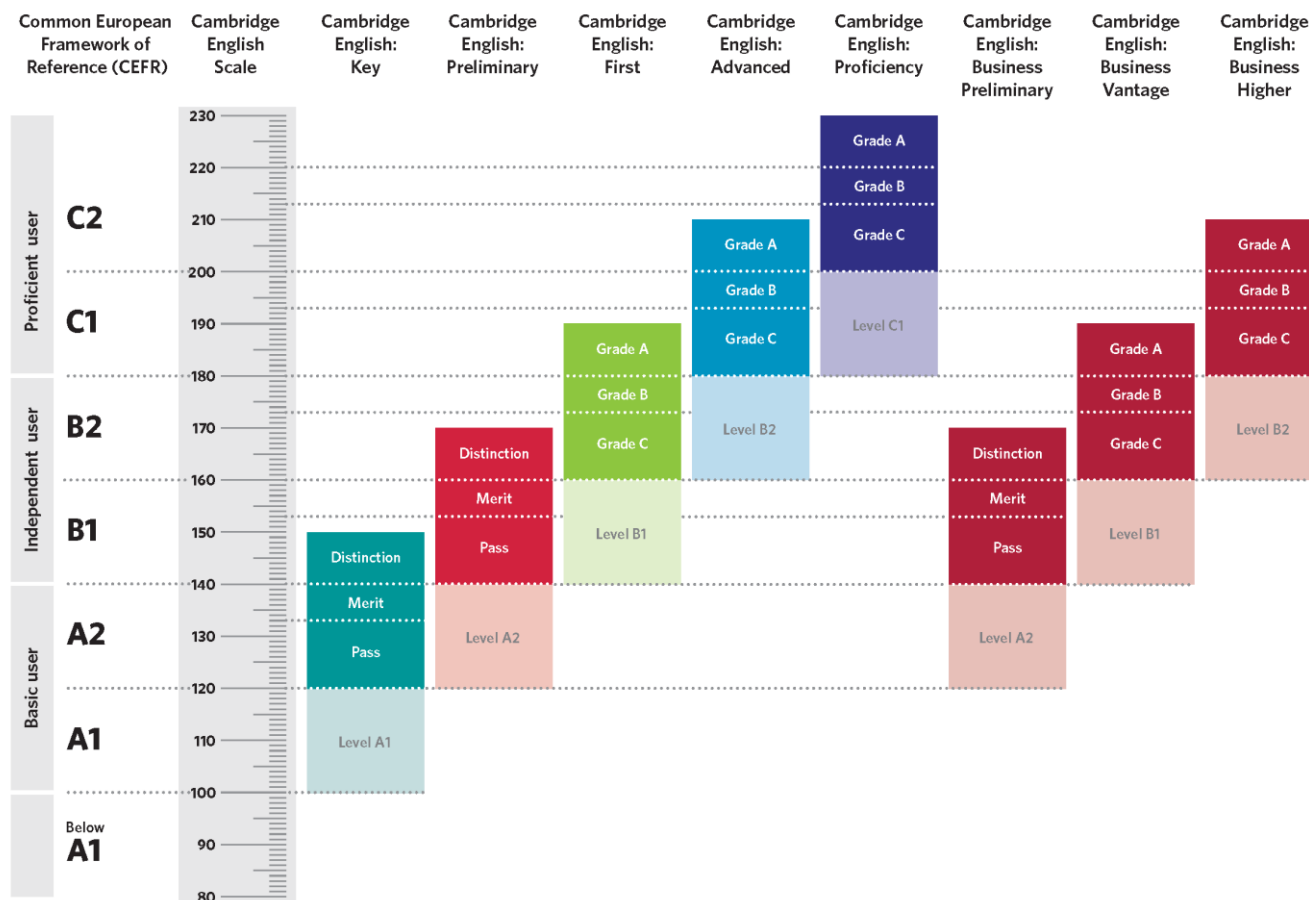
Candidates take the test in pairs, but are assessed on their individual performance by trained examiners who are certificated to examine at the level. Candidate speaking performances are assessed using scales which are linked to the Common European Framework of Reference. The assessor gives a mark of 0–5 for each of the following criteria: Grammatical Resource; Lexical Resource; Discourse Management; Pronunciation; and Interactive Communication and these marks are doubled. The interlocutor gives a mark of 0–5 for Global Achievement and this mark is multiplied by 5. Examiners may award half marks. Marks for all criteria are then combined, meaning there are 75 marks available in the Speaking test.

Practice test score	Cambridge English Scale score	CEFR Level
68	200	Level C2
45	180	Level C1
30	160	Level B2
17	142*	-

*minimum score reported for Business Higher



The Cambridge English Scale



The Cambridge English Scale is a range of scores used to report results for Cambridge English exams. The scores replace the candidate profile and standardised scores. Grades and Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) levels are retained. Scale scores make clear the alignment of our exams with each other, and with the CEFR.

Cambridge English: First, First for Schools, Advanced and Proficiency have reported on the scale since January 2015. *Cambridge English: Key, Key for Schools, Preliminary, Preliminary for Schools and Business Certificates* will be added to the scale in February 2016.

Candidate results

Candidates continue to receive a Statement of Results and a certificate. Both contain the candidate's:

- score on the Cambridge English Scale for each of the four skills (Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking) and Use of English where tested*

- score on the Cambridge English Scale for the overall exam
- grade for the overall exam
- CEFR level for the overall exam.

In addition, the certificate contains the UK National Qualifications Framework (NQF) level.

Determining the Cambridge English Scale scores

In all exams, other than *Cambridge English: Key and Key for Schools**, candidates receive a Cambridge English Scale score for each skill – Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. Where tested, candidates also get a separate score for Use of English.

*For *Cambridge English: Key* and *Key for Schools*, candidates receive three scores, one for each paper (Reading & Writing, Listening and Speaking).

The overall score is calculated by averaging the individual scores a candidate receives. In *Cambridge English: Key*, the score for the Reading & Writing paper is doubled to account for the double weighting of this paper.

The grades and CEFR levels are defined at specific points on the Cambridge English Scale. For example, a Cambridge English Scale score of 195 in *Cambridge English: Advanced* represents a grade B, and also indicates that the candidate is at Level C1.

Relating scores between exams

The Cambridge English Scale represents performance across a wider range of language ability than any single exam. Each exam is mapped to a section of the scale.

Although Cambridge English exams are targeted at a specific level (*Cambridge English: First* at Level B2, for example) there is a degree of overlap between exams at adjacent levels. The new Cambridge English Scale shows where the exams overlap and how performance on one exam relates to performance on another.

The diagram overleaf shows that a candidate who scores 182 in *Cambridge English: First* will be expected to achieve a similar score in *Cambridge English: Advanced*.

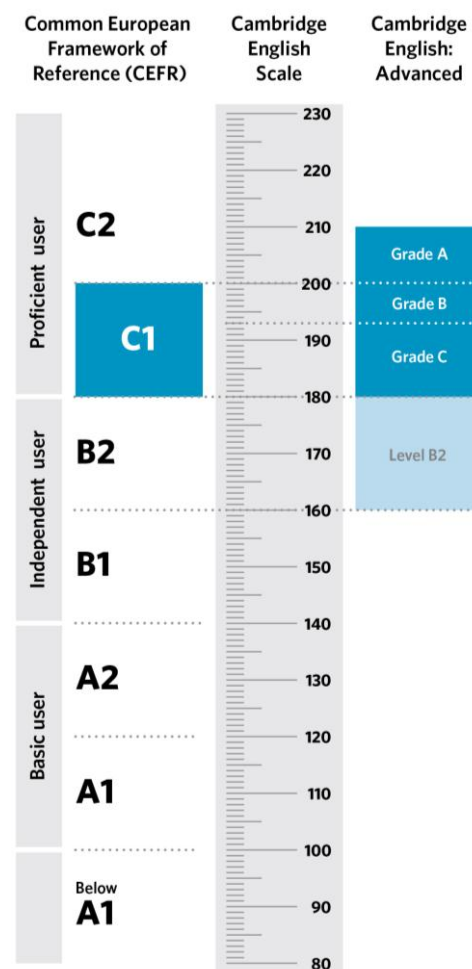
The scores reported for each exam range from:

- 82 to 150 for *Cambridge English: Key*
- 102 to 170 for *Cambridge English: Preliminary*
- 122 to 190 for *Cambridge English: First*
- 142 to 210 for *Cambridge English: Advanced*
- 162 to 230 for *Cambridge English: Proficiency*
- 102 to 170 for *Cambridge English: Business Preliminary*
- 122 to 190 for *Cambridge English: Business Vantage*
- 142 to 210 for *Cambridge English: Business Higher*.

Our extensive research over many years means that we can be confident that candidates who achieve the same Cambridge English Scale score in different exams show a comparable level of ability. The alignment of our exams is an integral part of our test construction procedures as well as the rating scales we use to assess performance.

An example of how the scale works

The example below shows the relationship between the CEFR levels, the Cambridge English Scale and the grades awarded in *Cambridge English: Advanced*.



A candidate scoring 200 to 210 will receive a grade A and a *Cambridge English: Advanced* certificate stating that they demonstrated ability at Level C2. The maximum achievable score for *Cambridge English: Advanced* is 210.

Candidates with scores from 193 to 199 will receive a grade B. Those scoring between 180 and 192 will receive a grade C. These candidates will receive a *Cambridge English: Advanced* certificate at Level C1.

Candidates who score between 160 and 179 will receive a Cambridge English certificate stating they demonstrated ability at Level B2.

Candidates scoring between 142 and 159 will not receive a certificate, but will be given a Cambridge English Scale score which will be shown on the Statement of Results.

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1	74	lunes 1 de agosto al lunes 22 de agosto	79	martes 23 de agosto al lunes 5 de setiembre	
2	84		89		
3	92		97		
4	114				119
5					
6					
7	160				165
8					
9					
10	238				243
11					
12					

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GRADOS	PRECIOS BONIFICADOS	PERIODO DE INSCRIPCION	PRECIOS NO BONIFICADOS	PERIODO DE INSCRIPCION
Foundation (equivalent Grade 4)	116	lunes 1 de agosto al lunes 23 de agosto	121	martes 24 de agosto al lunes 5 de setiembre
I (equivalent Grade 6)	126		131	
II (equivalent Grade 8)	204		209	
III (equivalent Grade 11)	259		264	
IV (equivalent Grade 12)	276		281	

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SPEAKING & LISTENING

GRADOS	PRECIOS BONIFICADOS	PERIODO DE INSCRIPCION	PRECIOS NO BONIFICADOS	PERIODO DE INSCRIPCION
Foundation (equivalent Grade 4)	105*	lunes 1 de agosto al lunes 23 de agosto	110*	martes 24 de agosto al lunes 5 de setiembre
I (equivalent Grade 6)	122*		127*	
II (equivalent Grade 8)	180*		185*	
III (equivalent Grade 11)	220*		225*	

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READING & WRITING

GRADOS	PRECIOS BONIFICADOS	PERIODO DE INSCRIPCIÓN	PERIODO DE INSCRIPCIÓN
Foundation (equivalent Grade 4)	46	lunes 1 de agosto al lunes 23 de agosto	51
I (equivalent Grade 6)	66		71
II (equivalent Grade 8)	86		91
III (equivalent Grade 11)	106		111

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Cambridge English Exams

Primer Semestre 2016 - Precios y Fechas

YLE Starters, Movers & Flyers – Junio 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Período ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 7 al 18 de Marzo	Del 28 de Marzo al 1º de Abril
YLE Starters	Sábado 11 de Junio	Entre 5 días antes y 5 días después del Test escrito	USD86	USD108
YLE Movers	Sábado 11 de Junio		USD90	USD112
YLE Flyers	Sábado 11 de Junio		USD98	USD120

KET, KET for Schools, PET, PET for Schools – Mayo y Junio 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Período ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 7 al 18 de Marzo	Del 28 de Marzo al 1º de Abril
KET	Viernes 27 de Mayo	20/05 – 29/05	USD126	USD148
PET			USD134	USD156
KET for Schools	Sábado 11 de Junio	04/06 – 12/06	USD126	USD148
PET for Schools			USD134	USD156



FCE & FCE for Schools, Abril a Junio 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Periodo ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 15 al 26 de Febrero	Del 29 de Febrero al 4 de Marzo
FCE	Sábado 9 de Abril	02/04 – 10/04	USD234	USD274
FCE for Schools	Sábado 16 de Abril	09/04 – 17/04	USD234	USD274
			Del 7 al 18 de Marzo	Del 28 de Marzo al 1º de Abril
FCE	Sábado 4 de Junio	21/05 – 12/06	USD234	USD274
FCE for Schools	Miércoles 1º de Junio	27/05 – 05/06	USD234	USD274

CAE & CPE, Abril a Junio 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Periodo ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 15 al 26 de Febrero	Del 29 de Febrero al 4 de Marzo
CAE	Sábado 16 de Abril	08/04 – 17/04	USD238	USD280
			Del 7 al 18 de Marzo	Del 28 de Marzo al 1º de Abril
CAE	Miércoles 8 de Junio	27/05 – 12/06	USD238	USD280
CPE	Jueves 9 de Junio	20/05 – 12/06	USD246	USD288



BEC, ICFE 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Periodo ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 7 al 18 de Marzo	Del 28 de Marzo al 1º de Abril
BEC Preliminary	Sábado 4 de Junio	04/06 – 12/06	USD134	USD156
BEC Vantage	Jueves 9 de Junio		USD234	USD274
BEC Higher	Martes 7 de Junio		USD254	USD298
ICFE	Viernes 10 de Junio	03/06 – 13/06	USD246	USD288

TKT

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
		Del 15 al 26 de Febrero	Del 29 de Febrero al 4 de Marzo
Paper-based TKT	Sábado 23 de Abril	USD82	USD104
		Del 4 al 15 de Abril	Del 19 al 22 de Abril
Paper-based TKT	Sábado 25 de Junio	USD82	USD104



IMPORTANTE:

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Cambridge English Exams

Segundo Semestre 2016 - Precios y Fechas

YLE Starters, Movers & Flyers – Octubre y Diciembre 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Periodo ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 22 de agosto al 9 de setiembre	Del 12 al 16 de setiembre
YLE Starters	Sábado 22 de octubre	Entre 5 días antes y 5 días después de examen escrito	A confirmar	A confirmar
	Lunes 5 de diciembre		A confirmar	A confirmar
YLE Movers	Viernes 28 de octubre		A confirmar	A confirmar
	Martes 6 de diciembre		A confirmar	A confirmar
YLE Flyers	Sábado 29 de octubre		A confirmar	A confirmar
	Miércoles 7 de diciembre		A confirmar	A confirmar

KET, KET for Schools, PET & PET for Schools Noviembre & Diciembre 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Periodo ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 22 de agosto al 9 de setiembre	Del 12 al 16 de setiembre
KET	Viernes 2 de diciembre	25/11 – 04/12	A confirmar	A confirmar
PET			A confirmar	A confirmar
KET for Schools	Sábado 19 de noviembre	12/11 – 20/11	A confirmar	A confirmar
PET for Schools			A confirmar	A confirmar
KET for Schools	Sábado 10 de diciembre	03/12 – 11/12	A confirmar	A confirmar
PET for Schools			A confirmar	A confirmar



FCE, FCE for Schools, CAE & CPE Noviembre y Diciembre 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Periodo ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 29 de agosto al 16 de setiembre	Del 26 al 30 de setiembre
FCE	Martes 29 de noviembre	11/11 – 29/11	A confirmar	A confirmar
	Sábado 10 de diciembre	17/11 – 11/12		
FCE for Schools	Martes 22 de noviembre	04/11 – 22/11	A confirmar	A confirmar
	Sábado 3 de diciembre	26/11 – 04/12		
CAE	Miércoles 30 de noviembre	11/11 – 04/12	A confirmar	A confirmar
	Sábado 3 de diciembre	18/11 – 04/12		
CPE	Jueves 1ro de diciembre	11/11 – 04/12	A confirmar	A confirmar

BEC, ICFE - Noviembre y Diciembre 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Speaking Test Periodo ventana examen oral	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
			Del 22 de agosto al 9 de setiembre	Del 12 al 16 de setiembre
BEC Preliminary	Sábado 26 de noviembre	19/11 – 27/11	A confirmar	A confirmar
BEC Vantage	Sábado 3 de diciembre	26/11 – 04/12	A confirmar	A confirmar
BEC Higher	Sábado 19 de noviembre	12/11 – 20/11	A confirmar	A confirmar
ICFE	Viernes 9 de Diciembre	02/12 – 12/12	A confirmar	A confirmar



TKT – Agosto a Noviembre 2016

Examen	Writing & Listening Fecha de Examen escrito	Precio bonificado	Precio sin bonificar
		Del 9 al 20 de mayo	Del 23 al 27 de mayo
Paper-based TKT	Sábado 6 de agosto	A confirmar	A confirmar
		Del 15 al 26 de agosto	Del 29 de agosto al 2 de setiembre
Paper-based TKT	Sábado 5 de noviembre	A confirmar	A confirmar

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