

Unlock futures with the British Council

*Seminario di Orientamento e Formazione
Assistenti di Lingua in Italia 2025/26
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Better English for better opportunities

Globally recognised common language

An essential skill for educational success,
professional development, and social interaction.

Organisations and individuals master
English to seize global opportunities.

British Council

The British Council, the United Kingdom's international organisation for cultural relations and educational opportunities with:

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of experience and operations

Trained over
80 million
learners online

Supporting
4 million
English teachers

110

countries
of operations
across six continents

With
400
thousand learners
in our centers
across 47 countries

Testing over
2 million
candidates annually
in over 100 countries

Icebreaker: when was the British Council founded?

- In 1934?

Foundation of British Council

- In 1940?

Granting of Royal Charter

- In 1945?

Operations started in Italy!

**Over 90 in the UK and 80 in Italy:
we're not done bringing people together yet!**

**The main aim of the British Council
is to build connections across the
world, but how do we do that?**

**Watch the video to discover how we
create and foster relationships
globally!**



How do we build connections and bring people together?



We bring People together through...



Education



Arts and Culture



English and Exams

Thought Leadership Webinar Series



We have developed a Thought Leadership Series that offers the British Council as a knowledge hub, focusing on education innovation, teaching development and cross-cultural exchange

British Council Italy Webinars -
Registration form



Resources for Schoolteachers



We have developed an ecosystem of professional development and teaching resources accessible online, most of them free-of-charge

Assessment Research Group Publications:

<https://www.britishcouncil.org/exam/english/aptis/research/publications>

Teaching English: (with Teaching resources for Primary, Secondary, and Adult students):

<https://www.teachingenglish.org.uk>

Learn English Kids:

<https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org>

Learn English Teens:

<https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org>

Learn English Online:

<https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org>

Professional Development Series



We organise face-to-face professional development happenings and participate in educational events aiming at empowering local schoolteachers

**Academic Mornings for Schoolteachers
Sep-Nov and Feb-Apr, across Italy**

**Participation in the European Day of Languages c/o University Ca' Foscari Venice
on the 26th of September 2025**

**Didacta Trentino
from the 22nd to the 24th of October 2025**

**Screening of our FFFF at University of Naples Federico II
in late January 2026**

**Didacta Florence
From the 11th to the 13th of March 2026**

**ANILS, LEND, and TESOL Italy annual conferences
in November and December 2025**

Exams Preparation Teachers Workshops and Webinars for our exams Partners

**Campionato delle Lingue c/o University Carlo Bo' Urbino
in late March 2026**

Cultural Engagement



We commit to cross-cultural learning bringing our cultural engagement initiatives in Universities and schools

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the British Council website with a dark blue background. The logo is on the left, and navigation links include 'Home', 'Learn English', 'Exams', 'Study and work abroad', 'School and teacher resources', and 'English, education and arts' (highlighted in light blue). Below the navigation is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > English, education and arts > Our work in education > Agents and counsellors'. The main heading is 'UK agent and counsellor training and engagement hub'. A large image shows a group of people sitting on a sofa in a room with purple walls and framed pictures. To the right is a sidebar with a pink arrow icon and the text 'Agents and counsellors', followed by a button that says 'Become a UK agent or counsellor' and a link to the 'UK agent and counsellor training and engagement hub'.

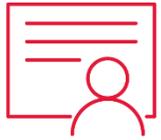
The screenshot shows the top of the 'Study in the UK' page. It features the British Council logo and the 'GREAT BRITAIN & NORTHERN IRELAND' logo. Below the logos are two navigation links: 'Home' (highlighted with a red underline) and 'Why study in the UK?'. The main image is a scenic landscape of rolling green hills and a coastline. A dark blue banner with the text 'Study in the UK' is overlaid on the bottom of the image.

The screenshot shows the 'Five Films For Freedom' page. The title is in large white font. Below it is a subtitle: 'Our annual online short film programme celebrates global stories in support of LGBTQIA+ communities across the world.' The background image features two women with vibrant, colorful hair (one blue, one pink) against a dark background.

IELTS



The leader in English language testing



**35+ years
experience**
in high stake
English language
testing



Recognised by
12,500
organisations
worldwide



Recognised
reliability
and **validity**



Trusted multi-
layered
security
measures



Helps students
access:
Education
Migration
Employment

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Free resources available for all test-takers



Practice tests to apps, this is where test-takers will find everything they need to prepare for IELTS test day.



PREPARATION RESOURCES FOR IELTS TEST TAKERS

Practice Test for all Skills

Free on line [Listening](#), [Academic](#) and [General Training](#) Reading, [Academic](#) and [General Training](#) Writing and [Speaking](#) resources.

Practice, Familiarisation and How it works for IELTS on Computer

Use our range of practice materials to familiarise yourself with the IELTS on computer test and improve your English level. These resources are available also for IELTS Online.

IELTS for UKVI practice tests

Candidates wishing to prepare to take the IELTS for UK Visas and Immigration test can find free resources here.

Apps

Improve your listening, reading and understanding of general and business English on the go, anytime and anywhere.

How to prepare your IELTS students

[Organisations](#)[Teach IELTS](#)[Partner Organisations](#)[Teaching resources](#)

To help you and your students, we have provided a range of resources to keep students engaged and on track to get the best possible IELTS score. The preparation material can be used in a number of ways, you can:

- incorporate them into your lesson plan;
- use them as additional IELTS classroom resources;
- use them simply to expand your own knowledge.

PREPARATION RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

[Lesson plans – Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking](#)

Browse our collection of free lesson plans to help you familiarise students with IELTS and your learners for all parts of the Speaking section of IELTS.

[Teach IELTS videos](#)

Watch these helpful IELTS videos for teachers and discover useful teaching tips for delivering successful lessons.

[Free IELTS teacher webinars](#)

Delivered by English experts and created especially for anyone who will be helping students take the next step in their aspirations to achieve a high IELTS score.

[IELTS Teachers' newsletter](#)

Stay up to date with our news and events by signing up to our newsletters.

[IELTS Familiarisation test toolkit](#)

They serve as a comprehensive tool for students to refine their skills, understand strengths and weaknesses, and build confidence, while also providing valuable insights to teachers to refine teaching strategies based on students' individual needs.

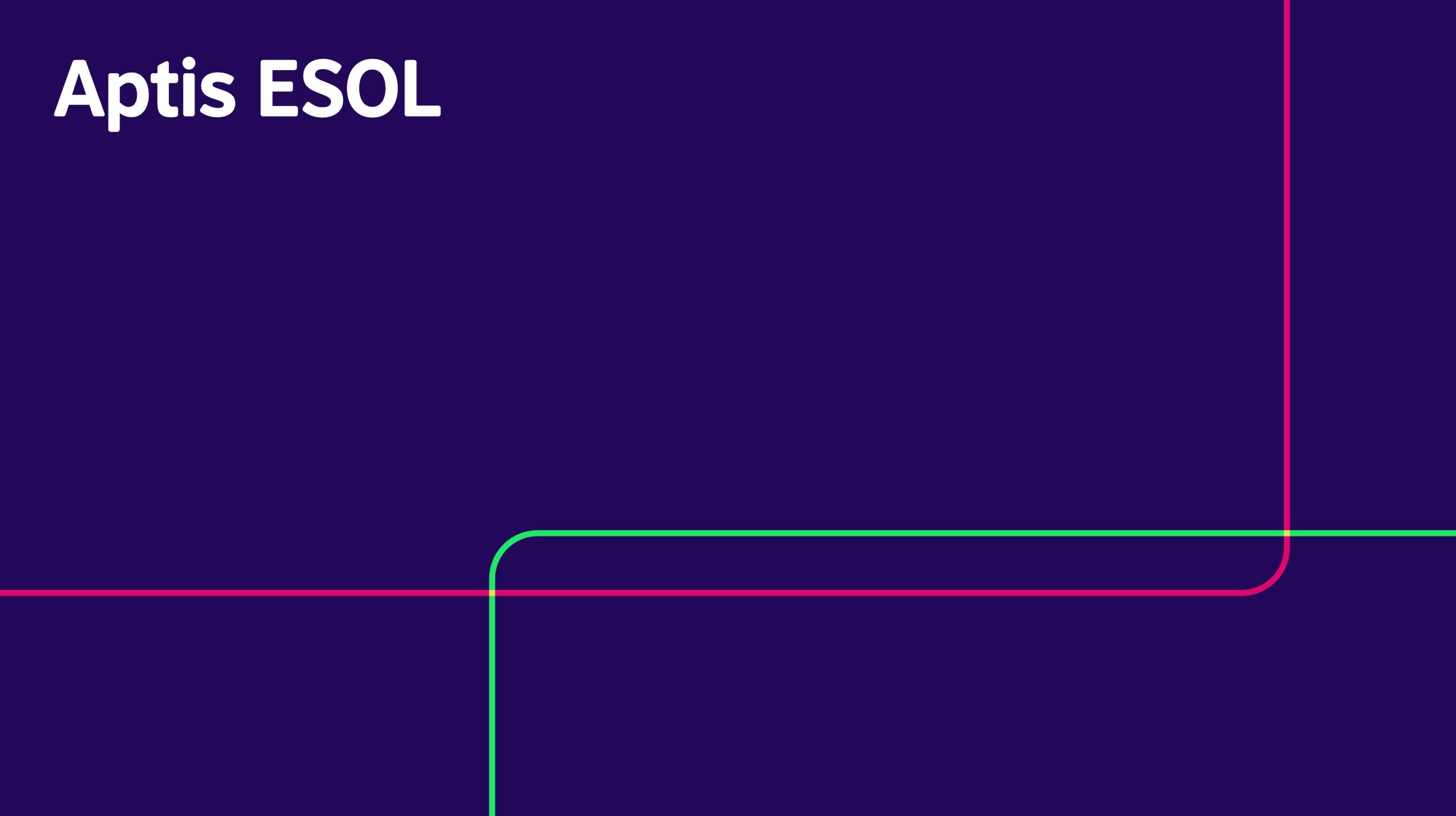
[Introductory courses](#)

Access free four-hour online courses to improve some key teaching skills to be applied during lessons such as: communication and collaboration, critical thinking, international learning, leadership, inclusiveness etc.

[Resources for English lessons](#)

Find a resource, designed by leading education professionals, to help your students explore the world beyond their classroom.

Aptis ESOL



Main features of Aptis ESOL



Validated by
research



Computer-
delivered



Marked by
human
examiners



Quick results



CEFR-aligned

ofqual

Regulated by the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation, the UK government body that regulates qualifications, examinations and assessments in England.

Aptis ESOL test components

Productive Skills



Speaking



Writing

Core



Grammar
and Vocabulary

Receptive Skills



Listening



Reading

Aptis ESOL Certificate: recognised and detailed

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Aptis ESOL
International Certificate

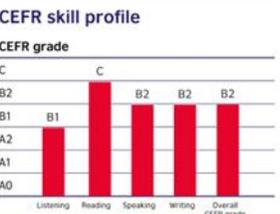
DEMO CUSTOMER **06.02.2023** **ESOL-0000483**
Test taker name Test date Enrolment ID

British Council Vietnam Hanoi **Aptis ESOL General** **BC10000029** **Passport**
Test centre Qualification Certificate number ID type
12345
ID number

Overall CEFR level: B2

Scale score	Skill score	CEFR grade
Listening	26/50	C
Reading	40/50	B2
Speaking	38/50	B1
Writing	38/50	B2
Final Scale Score	142/200	B2
Grammar and Vocabulary	31/50	B2

CEFR skill profile



07.02.2023
Centre stamp and date

Professor Barry O'Sullivan OBE
The results report verifies the person named above achieved the stated score under conditions supervised by the British Council.
Please turn over for CEFR skill descriptors.
<https://credentials.britishcouncil.org/241a5a3d-afbb-4593-9099-d336452ca891>

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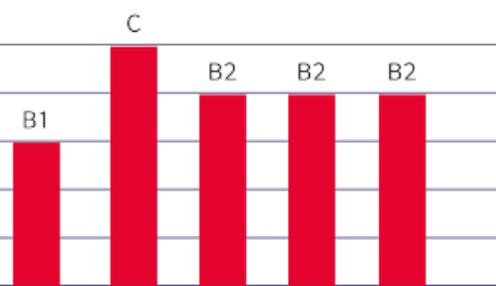
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CEFR skill profile

CEFR grade
C
B2
B1
A2
A1
A0



Listening Reading Speaking Writing Overall CEFR grade

Institutions that recognise Aptis ESOL

Beyond many other international bodies and institutions worldwide, **Aptis ESOL** is approved by **AICLU (Italian Association of the University Language Centres)** and it is included in its recommended list of high-stakes language certifications for Universities.

Search for **institutions that recognize Aptis ESOL** to find out the Universities that accept Aptis ESOL.

[Check the website](#)



Free Aptis ESOL resources

For centres:

- ✓ Global Network member and authorised test centre certificate and plaque
- ✓ Global connections through partner's network
- ✓ Training webinars
- ✓ Engagement pack
- ✓ Regular catchup calls and meetings

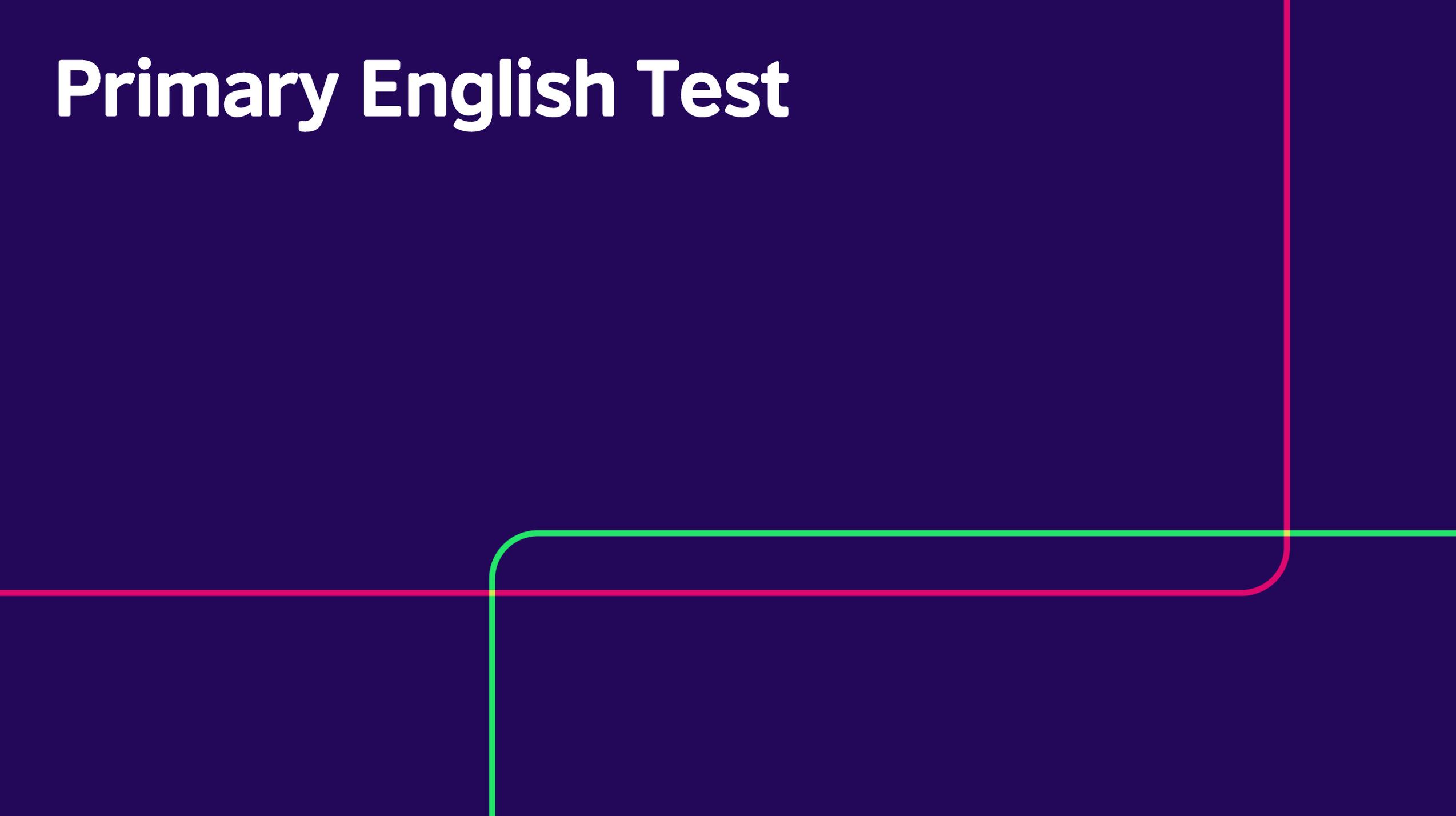
For test takers:

- ✓ Aptis ESOL demo tests to practice
- ✓ Aptis ESOL Candidate Guides (General, Advanced or Teachers)
- ✓ Explanatory videos
- ✓ Training webinars

For teachers:

- ✓ Information guides
- ✓ Aptis ESOL for Teachers Candidate Guide
- ✓ Demo tests ([link](#))
- ✓ Technical reports
- ✓ Training webinars

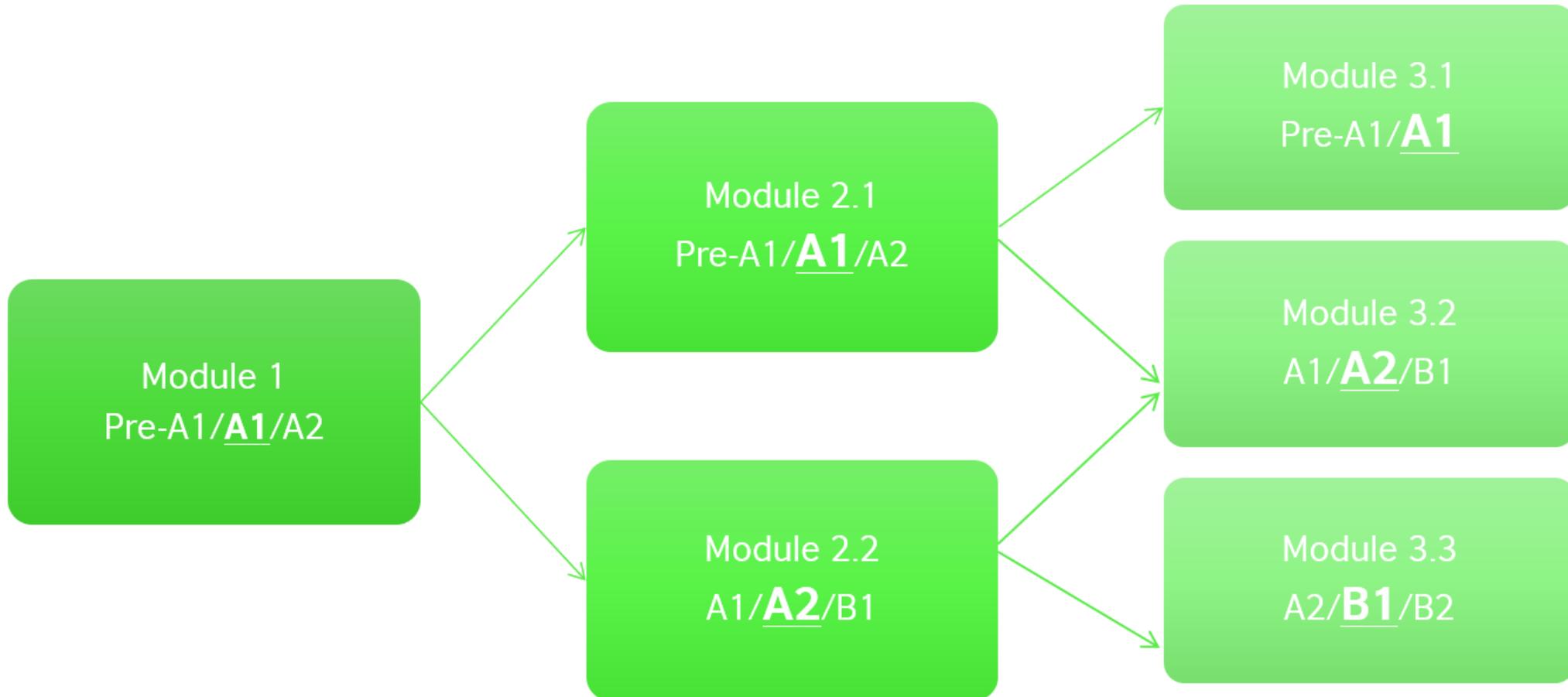
Primary English Test



Primary English test: the first Young Learner Test developed by the British Council



Test format



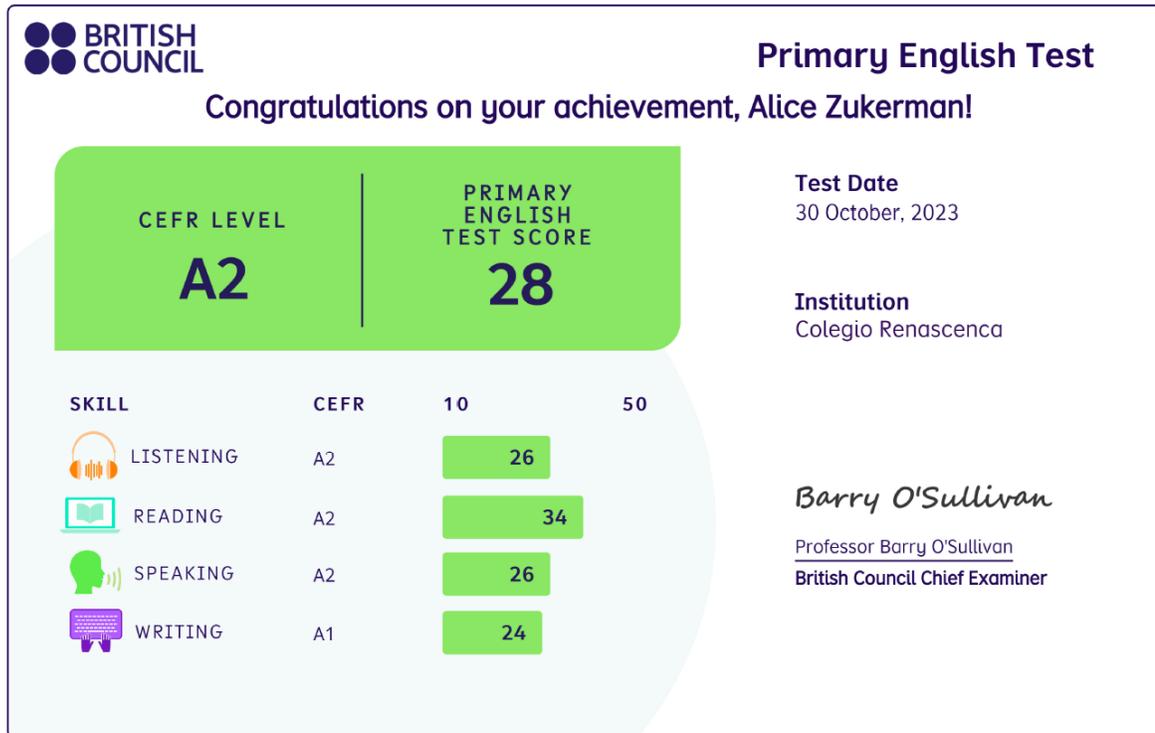
All students will get a score report!



All students will receive
an individual score report.

It is NOT a pass-or-fail exam.

Score Report – Page 1



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Page 1 shows **pupil's achievement:**

- individualised and ready to be framed
- overall score, scaled test score, and CEFR level
- a score for each skill

Score Report – Page 2

BRITISH COUNCIL Primary English Test

Alice

Test Date
30 October, 2023

Institution
Colegio Renascenca

Scale	Definition
CEFR level	This describes what the student can do in English at different stages of their learning, ranging from pre-A1 to above B1. Scores are provided overall and for each skill.
Primary English Test score	This is the student's overall score on a numerical scale from 10 to 50, which is mapped to CEFR. Scores are provided overall and for each skill.
Lexile score	Lexile scores measure the student's reading and listening abilities alongside the complexity of text and audio materials.

Alice's Overall Score

CEFR LEVEL A2

PRIMARY ENGLISH TEST SCORE 28

Alice's Test Results

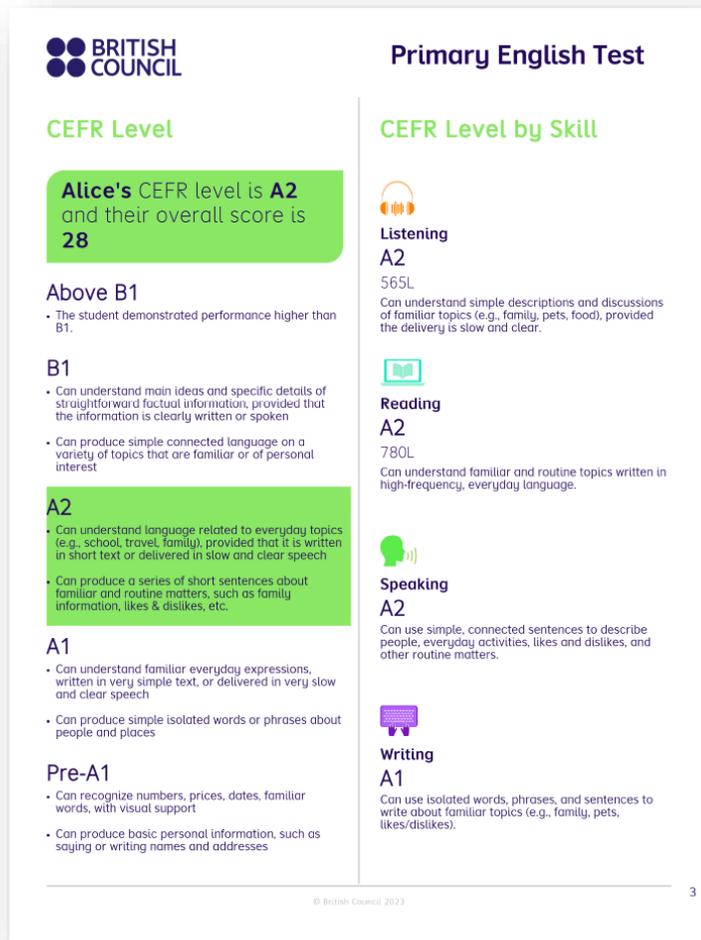
SKILL	CEFR	LEXILE	10	50
LISTENING	A2	565L	26	
READING	A2	780L	34	
SPEAKING	A2		26	
WRITING	A1		24	

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Page 2 features:

- a table with scales used and their definitions (**CEFR**, **Lexile**, and the **test score scale**)
- test results:
 - the overall score
 - **individual scores for each skill**

Score Report – Page 3



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Primary English Test

CEFR Level

Alice's CEFR level is A2 and their overall score is 28

Above B1

- The student demonstrated performance higher than B1.

B1

- Can understand main ideas and specific details of straightforward factual information, provided that the information is clearly written or spoken
- Can produce simple connected language on a variety of topics that are familiar or of personal interest

A2

- Can understand language related to everyday topics (e.g., school, travel, family), provided that it is written in short text or delivered in slow and clear speech
- Can produce a series of short sentences about familiar and routine matters, such as family information, likes & dislikes, etc.

A1

- Can understand familiar everyday expressions, written in very simple text, or delivered in very slow and clear speech
- Can produce simple isolated words or phrases about people and places

Pre-A1

- Can recognize numbers, prices, dates, familiar words, with visual support
- Can produce basic personal information, such as saying or writing names and addresses

CEFR Level by Skill

Listening
A2
565L
Can understand simple descriptions and discussions of familiar topics (e.g., family, pets, food), provided the delivery is slow and clear.

Reading
A2
780L
Can understand familiar and routine topics written in high-frequency, everyday language.

Speaking
A2
Can use simple, connected sentences to describe people, everyday activities, likes and dislikes, and other routine matters.

Writing
A1
Can use isolated words, phrases, and sentences to write about familiar topics (e.g., family, pets, likes/dislikes).

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Page 3 includes:

- a detailed “**can-do**” statement for each skill
- Mapping of each score across the three scales

Live demo



How the British Council collaborates with Schools



Framework agreement

no commitment to purchasing a minimum of exams a year

Brand Association

with the British Council via a dedicated pack of branded resources

Dedicated Exam Dates

over the school year at your premises and/or at British Council official test centres

Dedicated Account Manager

for consultancy and support

Preparation Resources

for your students and teachers:

- IELTS Ready Premium
- Free Aptis ESOL resources
- Primary English Test preparation mock test

Secure and Inclusive Procedures

for test administration and delivery

Operational Support

from a dedicated team

Dedicated Fees

for your students, teachers and staff

Easy and Seamless Registration Process

via our test taker and B2B Agent portals 24/7

Training

orientation, and regular updates



Online



In-person



Worldwide

British Council follow-up e-mail

You will receive a follow-up e-mail over the next days from our e-mail address exams.partnerships@britishcouncil.org

Please feel free to reply to that e-mail and ask for a call if interested in knowing more about our offering.

Additionally, if you would like to receive the British Council's guide and information about English Assessment Solutions for Schools, please, scan the **QR code** underneath and **fill the form out:**



Q&A

