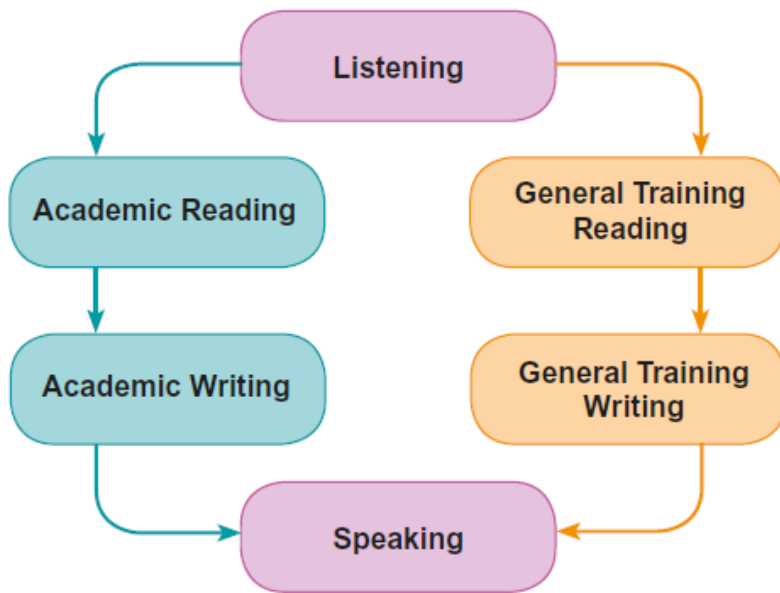


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IELTS scores and test format

The IELTS test assesses your abilities in all four skills - listening, reading, writing and speaking - in under three hours.

The IELTS test format is tried and trusted by organizations and test takers worldwide, and has not changed significantly for over 20 years.

You will take the Listening, Reading and Writing tests all on the same day one after the other, with no breaks in between them. They are always taken in this order. Your Speaking test will either be after a break on the same day as the other three tests, or up to seven days before or after that. This will depend on your

test center.

Understand the IELTS test format

Take the time to understand the IELTS test format. There are two versions of the test: IELTS Academic and IELTS General Training. Both are graded in exactly the same way.

You will take the first three parts of the test all on one day in the following order: Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking. There are no breaks between the first three tests.

IELTS Academic

IELTS Academic measures English language proficiency needed for an academic, higher learning environment. The tasks and tests are accessible to all test-takers, irrespective of their subject focus.

- Listening*** (30 minutes, plus 10 minutes extra to transfer your answer to your answer sheet)
 - Four recorded monologues and conversations
- Reading** (60 minutes)
 - Three long reading passages with tasks
 - Texts range from descriptive and factual to the discursive and analytical
 - Includes non-verbal material such as diagrams, graphs or illustrations
 - Texts are authentic (e.g. taken from books, journals and newspapers)
- Writing** (60 minutes)
 - Writing task of at least 150 words where the candidate must summarise, describe or explain a table, graph, chart or diagram
 - Short essay task of at least 250 words
- Speaking*** (11 to 14 minutes)
 - Face-to-face interview
 - Includes short questions, speaking at length about a familiar topic and a structured discussion

IELTS General Training

IELTS General Training measures English language proficiency in a practical, everyday context. The tasks and tests reflect both workplace and social situations.

- Listening*** (30 minutes, plus 10 minutes extra to transfer your answer to your answer sheet)
 - Four recorded monologues and conversations
- Reading** (60 minutes)
 - 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
 - Texts are authentic (e.g. taken from company handbooks, official documents, books and newspapers)
- Writing** (60 minutes)
 - Letter writing task of at least 150 words
 - Short essay task of at least 250 words
- Speaking*** (11 to 14 minutes)
 - Face-to-face interview
 - Includes short questions, speaking at length about a familiar topic and a structured discussion

*Listening and Speaking components are the same for both versions of the test

You will take the Speaking test either on the same day, or 7 days before or after that, depending on local arrangements.

Understand how to calculate your IELTS scores

You can't fail IELTS - the test assesses all levels of English

The IELTS 9-band scale

Band score	Skill level	Description
Band 9	Expert user	You have a full operational command of the language. Your use of English is appropriate, accurate and fluent, and you show complete understanding.
Band 8	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.
Band 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.
Band 6	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.
Band 5	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.
Band 4	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.
Band 3	Extremely limited user	You convey and understand only general meaning in very familiar situations. There are frequent breakdowns in communication.
Band 2	Intermittent user	You have great difficulty understanding spoken and written English.
Band 1	Non-user	You have no ability to use the language except a few isolated words.
Band 0	Did not attempt the test	You did not answer the questions.

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APPROXIMATE IELTS BAND SCORE FOR THE READING TEST

Raw	Band
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score out of 40	score
0	0
1	1
2-3	2
4-5	2.5
6-7	3
8-9	3.5
10-12	4
13-14	4.5
15-18	5
19-22	5.5
23-26	6
27-29	6.5
30-32	7
33-34	7.5
35-36	8
37-38	8.5
39-40	9

Suggested online Reading sources:

- <http://www.cdlponline.org/>
- <http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/>
- <http://www.bbc.com/news/world>
- <http://www.economist.com/>
- <https://www.newscientist.com/>
- <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/>
- <http://www.sciencefocus.com/>

Practice Exercise

The Peace Corps

On March 1, 1961, President John F. Kennedy issued an order creating the Peace Corps. Its mission was to promote world peace and friendship by providing **qualified** volunteers to interested countries. Today it sends an average of 6,000 U.S citizens abroad each year.

Volunteers live at a local level in their host countries. They are paid in local currency. Each month they receive a small sum of money that covers basic living expenses, and varies with the local economy. For example, volunteers in **Micronesia** make the equivalent of \$300 per month, while those in Turkmenistan make \$75. Most volunteers live with host families. This is a great chance to learn the language and the culture.

For each month that they spend overseas, volunteers receive a sum of about \$200. This money helps them to get back on their feet in the United States.

Serving countries all over the world, the Peace Corps lives up to its promise as “the toughest job you’ll ever love”. Volunteers do everything from teaching English to sharing tips on growing food to

providing preventive health care. However, the application process to become a Peace Corps volunteer is very competitive. You must be a U.S citizen, at least eighteen years old, in good health, and willing to serve for two years. Nearly all volunteers have a bachelor’s degree in their chosen field, and about 18 percent have their master’s or doctorate degree. Knowing a language, especially French and Spanish, helps.

Read the passage and answer the following questions with NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS taken from the passage

1. What kind of U.S. citizens does the Peace Corps send abroad to fulfil its mission?
2. What does the monthly payment in local currency to volunteers cover?
3. Whom do the volunteers stay with in their host countries?
4. What is the shortest time that volunteers can work for the Peace Corps?
5. Which languages are given as an example of what can benefit volunteers?

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