The preferred exam experience

“It’s all advantages for the students.”

Alex
Teacher
The path to learning English, step by step

Inspire your students to go further with Cambridge English Qualifications

"For my students, achieving their Cambridge English Qualification is some kind of culmination of everything they've been working for. It gives them a sense of fulfillment."

Alex
Teacher

Level-based qualifications help students take control of their future. They develop the vocabulary, skills and confidence to communicate and obtain proof of their language ability. This creates enriching opportunities throughout their lives.

Each exam reinforces the language and life skills students have been learning. Proving their language level through tasks based on authentic, relevant situations makes learning enjoyable, effective and rewarding.

Cambridge English Qualifications open doors around the world. Students can apply to universities and employers that recognise our qualifications as a mark of excellence.

Alignment with Common European Framework of Reference

Learning a language doesn’t just happen over night. It’s an ongoing process, therefore students need an ongoing sense of achievement. Our qualifications provide milestones to aim for and proof of language level, that keeps students motivated to take their next step.

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"I think that the way Cambridge teaches English is very useful to communicate with other people around the world."

Valeria
Candidate

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Introducing a new way to get a Cambridge English Qualification

The same quality exam, but with digital benefits

““It was actually a really different experience... I think the digital experience was a great choice.”

Hugo
Candidate

Cambridge English Qualifications are recognised by universities, employers and governments around the world, significantly increasing work and study opportunities.

“I’m really proud to get my certificate and I’m planning to go to the United States next year to go to college.”

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Your students can now get a Cambridge English Qualification in a faster, flexible way. You have the option to prepare and put your students forward for the traditional, paper-based route, or the new digital route. The qualification at the end is the same, but there are differences in the exam delivery, experience and timing.

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*Talk to your chosen exam centre about their schedule
Empower your students with our digital exams

Faster results and an enhanced exam experience

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Cambridge English Qualifications Digital test the same knowledge and skills as paper-based exams, but through a digital exam experience. Taken on a computer, these exams give students control over elements of the listening, writing and reading, helping them to do their best in their own way. Each candidate receives a randomised set of questions, all equal in terms of task types and difficulty. This means that everyone can focus fully on their own exam and the risk of any answers being copied is minimised.

Cambridge English Qualifications Digital are designed with benefits that maximise preparation time, but minimise waiting time.

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Christopher
Teacher

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Digital features to put candidates in control

**Listening**
Headphones with volume control for comfort and concentration.

**Writing**
Word count, editable text, font size and colour adjustment for peace of mind.

**Reading**
Notes and highlighting on screen for keeping track.

“Nowadays, we live in a digital society, so we feel very comfortable.”

Marta
Candidate

Available from A2 Key, our digital exams take students to language proficiency step by step, in a format that they feel most comfortable with.

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No surprises on exam day

How to prepare your students for Cambridge English Qualifications Digital

There's no need to adapt how you teach your classes or use your course material. Students are at ease in their digital world, meaning there's nothing in the digital exam that's likely to be unfamiliar. The way to give your students the best chance of success is to make sure they have preparation resources that get them used to the questions and tasks they'll experience on the day. Whether they want to practise on a computer or their mobile phone, alone or with their friends, in class or at home, we have comprehensive resources to help them walk into their digital exam with confidence.

Authentic digital practice tests available February 2024

The most accurate practice experience. Our digital practice tests go through the same design process as the exams, meaning they're a true representation of the exam experience. Tests will be automarked and you'll receive your students’ results at the same time as they do. To replicate the exam as closely as possible, we recommend taking these tests on a computer.

Digital sample tests

Questions and answers for each level. Sample tests give students a taste of the questions and tasks that their real exam will be made up of. They're the same length and format as real exams and come with answer keys, so students can see where their strengths are and what they need to work on.

Tutorials

A tour of the digital exam. For each level, a tutorial video will walk you and your students through the exam, so everyone understands how the questions are presented, how the digital features work and what's expected of candidates at each step.

Test & Train

Short, sharp exam workouts! Students can dip in and out of hundreds of exam questions at their own pace, on their mobile, tablet or computer. They'll receive instant feedback on their answers and have unlimited attempts at each question.

Handbooks for teachers

Your ultimate companions. Our handbooks give you an overview of the exam, then go into the detail of tasks, skills, CEFR ‘can do statements’ and model answers. These comprehensive guides will tell you everything you need to know about every level of the digital exam, so you can be confident that you're preparing your students in the most effective way.

Exam preparation courses

Digital practice is best for a digital exam experience, but your course material will help you develop your students' language skills to the appropriate level. The following courses are official Cambridge exam preparation material.
When you prepare and enter students for our exams, your school becomes a Cambridge English preparation centre. Preparation centres receive ongoing support from us, including preparation resources, training and marketing material.

You’ll also need to contact an authorised exam centre. They’ll give you all the information you need to get set up and take the next steps. Your exam centre will support you with exam dates, results and printed materials to show students they can prepare with you for the exams they want to do.

Take your next step at cambridgeenglish.org/qualifications-digital

“My hope and dream for my children is to see them happy, live wherever they want and have no limits because of the language.”

Patricia
Parent

“I want to do my exam digitally because it’s more intuitive and visual.”

Marta
Candidate
“I believe it’s good to do the test digitally because of how intuitive it is. And since we’re in a generation where technology has become very apparent in our lives, it makes it a lot easier.”

Valeria
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