# Who we are

#### We are Cambridge Assessment English.

Part of the University of Cambridge, we help millions of people learn English and prove their skills to the world.

For us, learning English is more than just exams and grades. It's about having the confidence to communicate and access a lifetime of enriching experiences and opportunities.

With the right support, learning a language is an exhilarating journey. We're with you, every step of the way.

# Your path to learning English, step by step

Cambridge English Qualifications are in-depth exams that make learning English enjoyable, effective and rewarding.

Our unique approach encourages continuous progression with a clear path to improving language skills. Each of our qualifications focuses on a level of the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR), enabling you to develop and build speaking, writing, reading and listening skills.

Our qualifications are based on research into effective teaching and learning. They motivate people of all ages and abilities to learn English and develop practical skills for the real world.

Whether you're planning to live, work or study in your own country or abroad, our qualifications can prove you have the English language skills to succeed.

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# Why choose Cambridge English **Qualifications?**

#### Accepted worldwide

Cambridge English Qualifications are accepted and trusted by thousands of higher education institutions, employers and governments worldwide. Whatever your goals or ambitions, our qualifications are a mark of excellence and will give you the skills to succeed.

#### Real-life communication

Our qualifications are based on research that shows the importance of real-life conversation and interaction. This means the exams are created using authentic situations, so the skills you need for the exams are the same skills you need to use in the real world.

## Develop your speaking skills

The Speaking exam is taken face to face with our expert examiners. As you prepare you will develop the ability to communicate effectively, express your opinions and speak confidently.

## Practice materials

We offer a broad range of learning and support materials to sharpen your language skills and help you to communicate with confidence, for life.

Cambridge English Qualifications provide reliable assessment at the CEFR levels above and below the target level. These exams are also reported on the Cambridge English Scale, which provides detailed information of performance. Our qualifications for young learners -Pre A1 Starters, A1 Movers and A2 Flyers – report achievement at the target level and the one below.

For more information visit: cambridgeenglish.org/cambridgeenglishscale



# For every learner, every step of the way



#### A few facts and figures about us:

- 5.5 million assessments taken every year
- Accepted by over 20,000 organisations worldwide
- 2.800 exam centres in 130 countries
- Over 50,000 preparation centres
- Providing English language assessment since 1913

We have Cambridge English Qualifications for schools, general and higher education, and business.

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Discover our qualifications for general and higher education





# Our qualifications

Cambridge English Qualifications for general and higher education include the following exams:

- A2 Key
- B1 Preliminary
- B2 First
- C1 Advanced
- C2 Proficiency

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A2 Key

This qualification is proof of your ability to use English to communicate in simple situations. A2 Key is a great exam to take if you're new to learning English.

Cambridge English Scale

120–139

Exam format		
CEFR level	Reading and Writing <b>70 mins</b>	
Test format CB or PB*	Listening <b>30 mins</b>	
Number of papers <b>3</b>	Speaking 8–10 mins	
Total exam length 108–110 mins		

#### \*CB: computer-based; PB: paper-based



See our range of preparation materials at cambridgeenglish.org/key/prepare

Cambridge English Scale 140–159

# **B1** Preliminary

This is an intermediate-level gualification for those who have mastered the basics of English and now have practical language skills for everyday use.

Exam format		
CEFR level	Reading and Writing	
<b>B1</b>	90 mins	
Test format	Listening	
CB or PB	<b>36 mins</b>	
Number of papers	Speaking	
<b>3</b>	<b>10–12 mins</b>	
Total exam length 136–138 mins		



See our range of preparation materials at cambridgeenglish.org/preliminary/prepare



See our range of preparation materials at cambridgeenglish.org/first/prepare

B2 First

This qualification shows you have the language skills needed to communicate confidently in an English-speaking environment.

Exam format		
CEFR level <b>B2</b>	Reading and Use of English <b>75 mins</b>	
Test format	Writing	
CB or PB	80 mins	
Number of papers	Listening	
<b>4</b>	40 mins	
Total exam length	Speaking	
209 mins	<b>14 mins</b>	

C1 Advanced

This is proof of high-level achievement in English and the ideal qualification to prepare you for university or professional life.

Cambridge English Scale

180–199

Exam format		
CEFR level	Reading and Use of English 90 mins	
Test format CB or PB	Writing 90 mins	
Number of papers <b>4</b>	Listening <b>40 mins</b>	
Total exam length <b>235 mins</b>	Speaking 15 mins	



See our range of preparation materials at cambridgeenglish.org/advanced/prepare



See our range of preparation materials at cambridgeenglish.org/proficiency/prepare

#### Cambridge English Scale 200–229

# **C2** Proficiency

This is our highest level qualification and it shows the world you have mastered English to an exceptional level.

### Exam format

CEFR level	Reading and Use of English <b>90 mins</b>
Test format	Writing
CB or PB	90 mins
Number of papers	Listening
<b>4</b>	<b>40 mins</b>
Total exam length <b>236 mins</b>	Speaking <b>16 mins</b>