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TOEFL® iBT



The one test that can get students into more than 6,000 universities worldwide

The TOEFL® test is the world's most popular English-language test, accepted at more than twice the number of institutions as any other exam. Scoring well on the TOEFL® iBT means students can be eligible for admission to virtually any school in the world, including top colleges and universities in the United States, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand and Canada.

- **The Internet-based version of the TOEFL test is available in a city near you.** Thousands of test centers provide access to the TOEFL iBT. In locations where the Internet-based test is not available, the TOEFL paper-based test is used to supplement the TOEFL iBT test center network. To view the list of TOEFL test center locations, visit www.ets.org/toefl/locations.
- **All four test sections are conveniently taken on the same day.** There's no need to travel to another location on a different day as with other tests.
- **Easy online test registration** at www.ets.org/toefl/info/register.
- **Scores are reported online.** Test takers can view their TOEFL iBT scores online 15 business days after they take the test. They will also receive a copy of their score report by mail. ETS is introducing a new service that allows colleges, universities and agencies to be able to view scores online, as well as receive score reports as they do now.

- **TOEFL iBT helps test takers prove they can combine their English-language skills to communicate effectively in an academic environment.** For example, test takers read a passage, listen to a short lecture about a topic and then speak or write in response.
- **In the Speaking section,** test takers wear headphones and speak their responses into a microphone. The responses are digitally recorded and sent to ETS's Online Scoring Network (OSN). **To ensure maximum objectivity and reliability,** three to six certified ETS raters evaluate the responses. All raters undergo constant monitoring to ensure the highest accuracy and quality control possible.
- **In the Writing section,** test takers type responses to two Writing tasks. Responses are sent to the ETS OSN, where they are evaluated by four raters.
- **The test scores help to explain the test taker's English-language skill level.** ETS provides comprehensive scoring information, including four skill scores and a total score. Test takers also receive performance feedback about their strengths and weaknesses so they know what they can improve upon.

One Test, Two Formats

TOEFL iBT and PBT: A Comparison

In locations where the TOEFL® Internet-based test is not yet available, the TOEFL paper-based test is used as a supplement.

Features	Internet-based TOEFL Test	Paper-based TOEFL Test
Skills tested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening • Speaking • Reading • Writing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening • Structure (grammar) • Reading • Writing
Total time	4 hours	3 hours
Integrated tasks	Yes	No
Note taking	Yes	No
Computer adaptive	Not computer adaptive. Each test taker receives the same range of questions in any given form of the test.	Not applicable
Reading	3-5 passages from academic texts Approximately 700 words long Includes multiple-focus passages (compare/contrast, cause/effect) 12-14 questions for each passage Time: 60-100 minutes Score scale: 0-30	5 passages from academic texts 250-350 words long 10 questions per passage Time: 55 minutes Score scale: 31-67
Listening	4-6 lectures, some with classroom discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each 3-5 minutes long, 6 questions each 2-3 conversations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each 3 minutes long, 5 questions each Time: 60-90 minutes Score scale: 0-30	3-4 mini-talks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each 60-90 seconds long, 3-5 questions each 2-3 extended conversations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each 60-90 seconds long, 3-5 questions each 30-40 dialogues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each 5-15 seconds long, 1 question each Time: 30-40 minutes Score scale: 31-68

Features	Internet-based TOEFL Test	Paper-based TOEFL Test
Speaking	<p>Six tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 independent tasks — express an opinion on a familiar topic • 4 integrated tasks — speak based on what is read and heard <p>Up to 30 seconds to prepare the response</p> <p>Up to 1 minute to respond</p> <p>Time: 20 minutes Score scale: 0-4 points; total of ratings converted to 0-30 score scale</p>	Not measured
Writing	<p>Two tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 integrated task — write based on what is read and heard • 1 independent task — support an opinion on a topic <p>Time: 50 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 minutes for integrated task • 30 minutes for independent task <p>Score scale: 0-5 points; total of ratings converted to 0-30 score scale</p>	<p>1 independent task <i>(Test of Written English™)</i></p> <p>Time: 30 minutes Score scale: 0-6 points, reported separately on score report</p> <p>Handwriting only</p>
Structure (grammar)	<p>No grammar section on the test, although grammar is evaluated in speaking and writing responses.</p>	<p>40 questions</p> <p>Time: 25 minutes Score scale: 31-68</p>
Total score	0-120	310-677
Performance feedback	Performance feedback for each skill is provided on the test-taker report.	Not provided



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Where is the TOEFL iBT available?

A: TOEFL iBT is available in most parts of the world. ETS continues to offer the TOEFL paper-based test to supplement the TOEFL iBT test center network. A list of cities that have TOEFL iBT test centers is available at www.ets.org/toefl/locations.

Q: How can test takers register?

A: Test takers can register online at www.ets.org/toefl/info/register, or by phone or mail. *Registration and Information Bulletins* are available online and at many educational advising centers, colleges, universities and libraries.

Q: How much longer will paper-based testing be available?

A: Paper-based testing will continue to be available in areas where TOEFL iBT is not yet offered or if additional testing capacity is needed in a specific location.

Q: How much longer will the TSE® test (*Test of Spoken English™*) be available?

A: The TSE test will continue to be available upon request in areas where TOEFL iBT is not yet supported.

Q: What is the fee for the TOEFL iBT?

A: The price of the test varies by country. Please check www.ets.org/toefl/info for the test fees in your country.

Q: Are sample questions available?

A: A free TOEFL iBT Sampler is available with registration. The Sampler includes questions from sections of the Internet-based test. The Reading and Listening sections are interactive and sample responses are provided for the Writing and Speaking questions.

Q: Is it possible to take a practice test and get a score?

A: Yes, TOEFL iBT practice exams can be purchased at TOEFL® Practice Online, www.ets.org/toefl/info/practice. This site features practice exams that include **exclusive** TOEFL iBT practice questions covering all four skills: Reading, Listening, Speaking and Writing, with instant scoring. In addition, TOEFL iBT practice test takers have the opportunity to join TOEFL® *access*, a free online community that allows them to participate in discussion boards and receive a free e-magazine with information about studying in English-speaking countries.

Q: Which colleges, universities and licensing agencies accept TOEFL test scores?

A: More than 6,000 colleges, universities, licensing agencies and immigration services in more than 110 countries accept TOEFL test scores. For a list of approved score recipients, please visit www.ets.org/toefl/info/institutions.

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