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## Approved Secure English Language Tests

1. The following is the list of approved English language tests that have been assessed as meeting the Home Offices requirements under the Secure English Language Testing (SELT) arrangements. Only those tests and test levels specified are approved.
2. Anyone taking a test that they intend to use in an immigration or nationality application must take one of the tests listed. Both tables below detail the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) level and minimum grade requirements for each level.
3. Where two or more components (reading, writing, speaking and listening) of a test are examined and awarded together, for example a combined exam and certificate for reading and writing skills, the specified evidence submitted by the applicant must show that he achieved the required scores in all the relevant components during a single sitting of that examination, unless exempted from sitting a component on the basis of his disability.
4. Tests are valid for 2 years from the date of the test is awarded.
5. No documents are required to be submitted as part of the immigration or nationality application. Test results and scores will be verified using the SELT online verification system provided by each approved SELT test provider using a SELT unique reference number. Applicants should provide their SELT unique reference number on their application form.
  - For Trinity College London tests, the SELT unique reference number is displayed on the certificate as 'UER'
  - For IELTS SELT Consortium tests, the SELT unique reference number is displayed on the Test Result Form (TRF) as 'UKVI number'
6. Links to the website for each of the SELT providers are shown at the end of this document.

**Table 1: tests taken in the UK**

CEFR Level	Approved English language test	SELT provider	Minimum grade required	Effective from
A1	Graded Examinations in Spoken English (GESE) Grade 2	Trinity College London	Pass	6 April 2015
A1	IELTS Life Skills– A1 Speaking & Listening	IELTS SELT Consortium	Pass	6 April 2015
A2	Graded Examinations in Spoken English (GESE) Grade 3	Trinity College London	Pass	6 April 2015
A2	IELTS Life Skills– A2 Speaking & Listening	IELTS SELT Consortium	Pass	24 November 2016
B1	Graded Examinations in Spoken English (GESE) Grade 5	Trinity College London	Pass	6 April 2015
B1	IELTS Life Skills– B1 Speaking & Listening	IELTS SELT Consortium	Pass	6 April 2015
B1	Integrated Skills in English I (ISEI)	Trinity College London	Reading: Pass; Listening: Pass; Speaking: Pass; Writing: Pass	6 April 2015
B1	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 4.0; Speaking: 4.0; Reading: 4.0; Writing: 4.0	6 April 2015
B2	Integrated Skills in English II (ISEII)	Trinity College London	Reading: Pass; Listening: Pass; Speaking: Pass; Writing: Pass	6 April 2015
B2	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 5.5; Speaking: 5.5; Reading: 5.5; Writing: 5.5	6 April 2015
C1	Integrated Skills in English III (ISEIII)	Trinity College London	Reading: Pass; Listening: Pass; Speaking: Pass; Writing: Pass	6 April 2015
C1	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 7.0; Speaking: 7.0; Reading: 7.0; Writing: 7.0	6 April 2015
C2	Integrated Skills in English IV (ISEIV)	Trinity College London	Reading: Pass; Listening: Pass; Speaking: Pass; Writing: Pass	6 April 2015
C2	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 8.5; Speaking: 8.5; Reading: 8.5; Writing: 8.5	6 April 2015

**Table 2: tests taken outside of the UK**

CEFR Level	Approved English language test	SELT provider	Minimum grade required	Effective from
A1	IELTS Life Skills – A1 Speaking & Listening	IELTS SELT Consortium	Pass	6 April 2015
B1	IELTS Life Skills – B1 Speaking & Listening	IELTS SELT Consortium	Pass	6 April 2015
B1	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 4.0; Speaking: 4.0; Reading: 4.0; Writing: 4.0	6 April 2015
B2	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 5.5; Speaking: 5.5; Reading: 5.5; Writing: 5.5	6 April 2015
C1	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 7.0; Speaking: 7.0; Reading: 7.0; Writing: 7.0	6 April 2015
C2	IELTS for UKVI	IELTS SELT Consortium	Listening: 8.5; Speaking: 8.5; Reading: 8.5; Writing: 8.5	6 April 2015

## Further information

SELT provider	Website details
Trinity College London	Website: <a href="http://www.trinitycollege.com/SELT">www.trinitycollege.com/SELT</a> Test Centres: <a href="http://www.trinitycollege.com/findaseltcentre">www.trinitycollege.com/findaseltcentre</a>
IELTS SELT Consortium	Website: <a href="http://www.ielts.org">www.ielts.org</a> Test centres: <a href="https://www.ielts.org/book-a-test/find-a-test-location">https://www.ielts.org/book-a-test/find-a-test-location</a>