**LanguageCert International ESOL SELT B1**

**(Listening, Reading, Writing & Speaking)**

A 4-skills (Listening, Reading, Writing & Speaking) exam in English, aligned to the B1 level of the CEFR\*. It is a Secure English Language Test (SELT) for UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI) delivered through LanguageCert’s global network of SELT centres.

**About the exam:**

* Consists of a Written (Listening, Reading, Writing) and Spoken (Speaking) component
* Both components can be taken on the same day or within 14 days of each other

**CEFR level B1 is the minimum requirement for the following visa types:**

* Tier 2 (General)
* Tier 4 (General) – student visa (below degree level)

Written component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** B1

**FORMAT** Computer-based

**PASS MARK** **Listening**: 33/50

**Reading:** 33/50

**Writing:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam

*Exam format*

Computer-based 2 hours & 40 mins

Listening: 30 mins

Reading & Writing: 2 hours & 10 mins uninterrupted

Listening

**Part 1**: **7 multiple choice questions** (each with 3 options)

**Task**:

* Listen twice to 7 short sentences between 2 speakers, 1 being a formal conversation
* Choose the appropriate response for each question

**Part 2**: **6 multiple choice questions** (each with 3 options)

**Task**:

* Listen twice to 3 short conversations between 2 speakers to identify: topic, purpose, context, speakers, gist, relationship between speakers, roles, functions, attitudes, feeling and opinions
* Choose the appropriate response for each question

**Part 3**: **7 questions** (write notes on the message pad based on the information in the recording)

**Task**:

* Listen twice to the recording to identify specific information
* Jot down answers consisting of 1 to 3 words

**Part 4**: **6 multiple choice questions** (each with 3 options)

**Task**:

* Listen twice to a discussion to identify gist, examples, fact, opinion, contrast, purpose, key ideas, attitude, cause and effect
* Choose the appropriate response for each question

Reading

**Part 1**: **5 multiple choice questions** (each with 3 options)

**Task**:

* 5 short texts each with one gap testing layout, lexis, cohesive devices, coherence
* Choose the appropriate response for each question

**Part 2**: **6 questions** **multiple choice options to fill in an incomplete text** (1 option is a distractor)

**Task**:

* Choose the appropriate sentence for each gap in the text

**Part 3**: **7 questions** (4 texts provide the answers)

**Task**:

* Read the 4 texts, e.g. email, article, advert, etc. and choose which text answers which question

**Part 4**: **8 questions** (requiring short answers of 1 to 3 words)

**Task**:

* A continuous text: narrative, descriptive, expository, biographical, instructive

Writing

**Part 1:** **70 - 100 words** (respond appropriately to a given text in order to produce a formal response for an intended public audience)

**Task**:

* Write a response to a letter, poster, diary, timetable, leaflet, etc. for a specified reader addressing a clearly defined number of content points.

**Part 2: 100 - 120 words** (produce an informal letter to a friend)

**Task**:

* Write a letter on a given topic of personal interest
* Include 2 functions e.g. invite a friend to stay, describe what you will do

*Official practice material*

* [**Practice Paper 1**](https://future.languagecert.org/-/media/languagecert/product-information/preparation-material/english/languagecert-selt/selt-b1-lrws-2714/written-exam/b1-iesol-written-practice-paper-1.zip)
* [**Practice Paper 2**](https://future.languagecert.org/-/media/languagecert/product-information/preparation-material/english/languagecert-selt/selt-b1-lrws-2714/written-exam/b1-iesol-written-practice-paper-2.zip)

Spoken component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** B1

**FORMAT** Online interview with a real person

**PASS MARK** **Speaking:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam

*Exam format*

Online interview with a live interlocutor 12 minutes

**Part 1**

* Give and spell name
* State country of origin
* Answer 5 questions

**Part 2**

* 2 or 3 situations are presented by the interlocutor
* Candidates are expected to respond to questions and initiate interactions

**Part 3**

* Hold a short discussion to make a plan, arrange or decide something using visual prompts

**Part 4**

* Candidates are given 30 seconds preparation time
* Talk about a topic provided by the interlocutor for 1 and a half minutes
* Answer follow-up questions

*Official practice material*

* [**Practice Paper 1**](https://www.languagecert.org/-/media/languagecert/product-information/preparation-material/english/languagecert-selt/selt-b1-lrws-2714/spoken-exam/b1-isesol-spoken-practice-paper-1.zip)
* [**Practice Paper 2**](https://www.languagecert.org/-/media/languagecert/product-information/preparation-material/english/languagecert-selt/selt-b1-lrws-2714/spoken-exam/b1-isesol-spoken-practice-paper-2.zip)

**LanguageCert International ESOL SELT B2**

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**About the exam:**

* Consists of a Written (Listening, Reading, Writing) and Spoken (Speaking) component
* Both components can be taken on the same day or within 14 days of each other

**CEFR level B2 is the minimum requirement for the following visa types:**

* Tier 2 (Minister of Religion)
* Innovator
* Start-up
* Tier 4 (General) student visa (below degree level)

Written component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** B2

**FORMAT** Computer-based

**PASS MARK** **Listening**: 33/50

**Reading:** 33/50

**Writing:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam

*Exam format*

Computer-based 2 hours & 40 mins

Listening: 30 mins

Reading & Writing: 2 hours & 10 mins uninterrupted

Spoken component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** B2

**FORMAT** Online interview with a real person

**PASS MARK** **Speaking:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam

*Exam format*

Online interview with a live interlocutor 13 minutes

**LanguageCert International ESOL SELT C1**

**(Listening, Reading, Writing & Speaking)**

A 4-skills (Listening, Reading, Writing & Speaking) exam in English, aligned to the C1 level of the CEFR\*. It is a Secure English Language Test (SELT) for UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI) delivered through LanguageCert’s global network of SELT Centres.

**About the exam:**

* Consists of a Written (Listening, Reading, Writing) and Spoken (Speaking) component
* Both components can be taken on the same day or within 14 days of each other

**CEFR level C1 accepted for the following visa type**:

* Tier 4 (General) – student visa (degree level and above)

CEFR level C1 is not an immediate requirement for any UK visa type, however, some sponsoring educational institutions may require this high level of English language competence.

Written component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** C1

**FORMAT** Computer-based

**PASS MARK** **Listening**: 33/50

**Reading:** 33/50

**Writing:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam

Spoken component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** C1

**FORMAT** Online interview with a real person

**PASS MARK** **Speaking:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam

**LanguageCert International ESOL SELT C2**

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**About the exam:**

* Consists of a Written (Listening, Reading, Writing) and Spoken (Speaking) component
* Both components can be taken on the same day or within 14 days of each other

CEFR C2 is not a set requirement for any UK visa type. Candidates with this level of English language competency who choose to sit the C2 exam satisfy all visa requirements that entail the four skills: Listening, Reading, Writing & Speaking.

Written component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** C2

**FORMAT** Computer-based

**PASS MARK** **Listening**:25/50

**Reading:** 33/50

**Writing:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam

Spoken component

*Key features*

**EXAM LEVEL** C2

**FORMAT** Online interview with a real person

**PASS MARK** **Speaking:** 33/50

**TEST REPORT** Issued 5 business days after the exam