IELTS
INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTING SYSTEM

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Structure of the test

LISTENING
3-4 sections : 40 questions
30 minutes + 10 minutes to transfer answer

GENERAL TRAINING READING
3-4 sections : 40 questions
60 minutes

ACADEMIC READING
3-4 texts : 40 questions
60 minutes

GENERAL TRAINING WRITING
2 tasks : a letter 150 words
And essay 250 words
60 minutes

ACADEMIC TRAINING WRITING
2 tasks : information transfer
150 words, and essay 250 words 60 minutes

SPEAKING
An interview
11-14 minutes
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Listening

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Test Format:

- Same for the Academic and General Training modules.
- The tape is played only once.
- 4 sections with 10 questions in each part (a total of 40 questions).
- Time: 30 minutes.
- Extra 10 minutes at the end to transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

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Type of speech:

- Section 1 – A social or transactional dialogue - 2 speakers
- Section 2 – A short speech on a general topic - 1 speaker
- Section 3 – A conversation - academic context - 2-4 speakers
- Section 4 – An academic lecture - 1 speaker
Question types:

- Form completion/ filling blanks
- Short answer
- Sentence completion
- Notes/diagram/flow chart completion
- Plan/Map labeling
- Matching
- Classification
- Multiple choice
Tips:

1. Read and listen the instruction very carefully.
2. Read the questions before the listening starts - predict the answer.
3. Read as you listen – focus on the whole question.
4. Don’t leave the writing to the end.
5. Numbers and names – check your spelling
6. Listen for repeated information
7. Don’t write the answer too quickly
8. Look for clues in the question
9. Practice your shorthand

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10. Match the answer with the word or words that come before and after.

11. Don't check your answers to the previous section; use the breaks to read ahead.

12. If you don't have time to read everything, don't worry. Prepare as many questions as you can, then do your best on the others.

13. Don’t leave any blank answers
Thank you.