

IELTS Indicator FAQs

Test Takers

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is the new IELTS Indicator test?

It is a test that includes Speaking, Listening, Reading Writing and Speaking sections and uses live IELTS questions. This means that this test is more reliable than a mock test, as it provides a more accurate score.

Q. How does IELTS Indicator work?

IELTS Indicator is an online timed test which includes four sections of the IELTS test – Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking.

The test uses live IELTS questions and matches the format of an IELTS test.

Q. Who will mark the IELTS Indicator test?

Responses will be marked by official IELTS examiners, following the IELTS marking criteria.

Q. Will I get a score for each section along with an overall score?

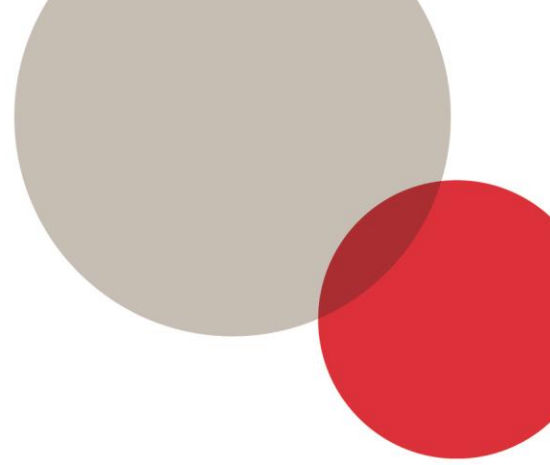
You will receive an indicative score for each section, and an overall indicative score. Indicative scores will help you know how you performed and where you need to improve.

Q. Where and when can I take IELTS Indicator?

The IELTS Indicator Academic test will be delivered online once a week at a fixed time. You must begin the test at the allocated time as it is a live test and you will not be able to join the test later. You need to complete the test in one sitting, so should ensure you are available for the full duration of the test (2 hours 45 minutes). IELTS Indicator can be taken on any suitable desktop computer or laptop with reliable internet access. For more information please visit ieltsindicator.com.

Q. How will I know if my university or college is happy to use the indicative scores?

As IELTS Indicator does not replace an in-person IELTS test at a test centre, we recommend that you check with your university or education provider.

**Q. How can I register for the IELTS Indicator test?**

Visit <https://takeielts.britishcouncil.org/take-ielts/which-ielts-test/ielts-indicator> to book your test. Bookings will be open from 22 April 2020.

Q. How frequently will this be offered in a specific market?

The IELTS Indicator Academic test will take place once a week.

Q. Will the test be timed?

The time window for the test will be strictly controlled, so each section will be time-bound. Be sure you have availability for the full duration of the Listening, Reading and Writing sections – approximately 2 hours 45 minutes. You cannot pause the test and come back later. Your Speaking test will be conducted separately.

Q. What is the duration of IELTS Indicator?

It follows the same duration as IELTS. Listening is for 30 minutes, followed by Reading for 60 minutes and then Writing for 60 minutes. The Speaking test can be held either before or after the Listening, Reading and Writing test and is for 11-14 minutes

Q. How many individual tests will be included in IELTS Indicator? How many Listening, Reading and Writing tests?

It will include one test for each section: Listening, Reading and Writing.

Q. What do I need to take a Speaking test?

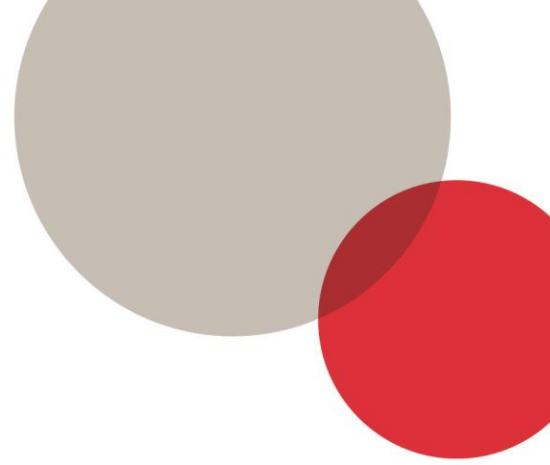
You have to download Zoom application on your laptop and ensure your laptop has a working camera. Camera is required to be able to view Task 2 of the Speaking test when the examiner shares their screen.

Q. What if I don't have a camera?

You need a working camera to be able to take the test.

Q. Will it be AI marked?

No. The test will be marked by our qualified IELTS Examiners.



Q. Will it have the computer-delivered IELTS functionalities, such as note-taking, highlighting button, and drag and drop?

Yes

Q. Will it be offered globally to all prospective test takers?

The test is available for a limited time in certain locations where IELTS testing is currently suspended due to COVID-19.

Q. Is the IELTS Indicator the same as IELTS?

IELTS Indicator uses live IELTS questions and is timed. It is marked by trained IELTS examiners so you can be sure that it will give a reliable indicator of the score you would achieve in an IELTS test. However, it is important to note that IELTS Indicator is not a substitute for the in-person IELTS test which is subject to the highest quality controls and security procedures. A test taker may still need to take an in-person IELTS test at a test centre once testing resumes to meet the requirements of their university or education provider.

Q. Who can take IELTS Indicator?

Any test taker seeking to study abroad who would like to continue the application process with their university or educational institution whilst IELTS testing is suspended. IELTS Indicator cannot be used for migration purposes.

Q. Who accepts IELTS Indicator test scores?

As IELTS Indicator is not an in-person IELTS test, so it may not be accepted by every institution which otherwise accepts IELTS. You may be asked to sit an IELTS test in a test centre later.

Before you book, be sure to check with your university or educational institution.

Q. Can a test taker re-sit IELTS Indicator if they didn't get the score they wanted?

Yes, the test will be available once a week where centre-based testing is suspended, and a test taker may resit if they wish.

Q. What resources can help me prepare for IELTS Indicator?

The IELTS Partners have a range of free and paid test preparation materials which can be accessed via ielts.org/prepare

Q. What does the IELTS Indicator test cost?

The IELTS Indicator test is priced at US\$149.

.