

TELCEnglish exam, level C1

telc English C1 tests general English language competence at a very advanced level. The exam is suitable for adults who use English socially, professionally or academically in their studies.

What can you do at level C1?

At level C1 you can express yourself spontaneously and fluently. You are familiar with idiomatic phrases and can vary your style of language as appropriate. You can use the language with a high degree of grammatical accuracy.

What is the structure of the examination?

The exam consists of a written and an oral part. The written exam lasts 2 hours and 55 minutes (incl. a 15-minute break). The oral exam takes place on the day of the written exam.

The Written Examination

The Written Examination lasts 160 minutes and consists of the subtests **Reading Comprehension, Language Elements and Writing**.

The examination begins with the subtests Reading and Language Elements (100 minutes). After this section is completed, candidates continue with the subtest Writing (60 minutes). There is a 15-minute break after the subtest Writing. After the break, the candidates continue with Listening Comprehension subtest (appr. 40 minutes), which belongs to the oral exam.

The use of dictionaries, mobile phones or other electronic devices is not allowed. The invigilator ensures that these regulations are adhered to.

Overview of the Oral Examination

The oral exam consists of the Listening Comprehension Subtest and Speaking Subtest. The Speaking Subtest consists of an interview, a presentation (there are two topics to choose from) including follow-up questions, a summary and a discussion about a given topic.

The Speaking subtest is generally carried out in pairs; i.e. two candidates are examined together. In case of an uneven number of candidates, one oral examination is carried out with three candidates. In this case, the exam is longer. A dictionary may not be used.

The Speaking subtest has four main parts and lasts approximately 16 minutes.

Two licensed telc examiners are required for each examination. They both mark the candidates' performances, but only one of them acts as the interlocutor.

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The Speaking subtest consists of four parts:

Part 1: Interview

Candidates must ask each other questions and answer their questions.

Part 2: Presentation and follow-up questions (approximately 3+ 2 minutes)

The candidates receive different task sheets, each with two topics. Candidates should present one of these topics for about 3 minutes. Candidate A presents his/her topic first. After candidate A's presentation, candidate B should ask at least one follow-up question referring to the topic of the presentation. The examiners may also ask questions.

Candidate B then presents his/her topic for about 3 minutes. This is followed by candidate A's follow-up questions.

Part 3: Discussion (6 minutes)

In the second part of the examination, the two candidates are asked to discuss in depth with one another a controversial topic which is outlined on the task sheet. There is no preparation time for this part. They are expected to express their opinion and discuss other possible points of view. Candidates should think of arguments and examples to support their contributions. If the discussion does not reach the correct language level, the examiners should intervene with additional questions.

Part 4: Summary (approximately half a minute)

At the end of any of the tasks, each candidate will be asked to summarize what his/her follow-candidate had said. The candidate sums up what he/she found particularly interesting.

Who can receive a certificate?

To receive a certificate, all of the following criteria must be fulfilled:

1. The candidate must achieve a result of at least 60% for the whole examination.
2. The candidate must achieve at least 40% in the Subtest Reading, at least 40% in the Subtest Writing, at least 40% in the Subtest Listening and at least 40% in the Subtest Speaking.

If a candidate achieves a result of less than 40% in one or more of the subtests and/or achieves less than 60% of the total number of points, then the candidate has failed the complete examination.

For partial examinations, all of the following criteria have to be fulfilled to successfully pass the Written Examination:

1. The candidate must achieve a result of at least 60% in the Written Examination.
2. The candidate must achieve at least 40% in the Subtest Reading and at least 40% in the Subtest Writing.

For partial examinations, all of the following criteria have to be fulfilled to successfully pass the Oral Examination:

1. The candidate must achieve a result of at least 60% in the Oral Examination.
2. The candidate must achieve at least 40% in the Subtest Listening and at least 40% in the Subtest Speaking.

The grade is then calculated according to the following table:

297 – 330.0 Points	Very Good
264 – 296.5 Points	Good
231 – 263.5 Points	Satisfactory
198 – 230.5 Points	Pass
197.5 –	Points Fail

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Written Examination				
Subtest	Item	Points	Points max.	Time
1 Reading Comprehension				
Part 1 – Reconstructing a text	1-6	24	114	100 min
Part 2 – Selective Reading	7-16	20		
Part 3 – Reading for detail	17-24	16		
Part 4a – Reading for Gist	25	12		
Language Elements				
Vocabulary	26-45	20		
Proof-reading	46-67	22		
2 Writing				
Part 1 – writing an article		40	72	60 min
Part 2 – written task		32		
Sub-Total I			186	160
Break				15 min
Oral Examination				
Subtest	Item	Points	Points max.	Time
4 Listening Comprehension				
Part 1 – Listening for gist	68-75	8	72	60 min
Part 2 – Listening for gist	76-83	24		
Part 3 – Listening for detail	84-93	20		
Part 4 – Note-taking	94	20		
5 Speaking				
Part 1 – Interview		15	72	3-4 min
Part 2 – Presentation		21		3+2 min
Part 3 – Discussion		21		6 min
Part 4 – Summary		15		0,5 min
Sub-Total II			144	
Written Examination			186	
Oral Examination			144	
Total			330	

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