

How to Prepare for IELTS Academic Writing

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Introduction

What is IELTS?

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) assesses the English language proficiency of people who want to work, study, or live in countries where English is used as the language of communication. IELTS is required for entry to university in the UK and other countries. IELTS, based on well-established standards, provides a fair, accurate and relevant assessment of language skills. It also covers the full range of proficiency levels, from non-user to expert user. IELTS is recognised by universities and employers in many countries and also recognised by professional bodies, immigration authorities and other government agencies.

What is the IELTS test like?

There are two versions of IELTS. IELTS Academic and IELTS General Training. Both versions consist of four separate components, assessing the four language skills – Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking. All candidates

do the same Listening and Speaking sections. The test has four sections as follows:

1. Listening - 4 sections, 40 questions, 30 minutes
2. Speaking - interview, 15 minutes
3. Reading - different
for Academic or General Training - 3 sections, 40
questions, 60 minutes
4. Writing - different
for Academic or General Training - 2 pieces of
writing, 60 minute

Level and scores

IELTS results are reported on a 9-band scale designed to be simple and easy to understand. This scale has remained consistent and has acquired currency around the world over the past three decades. The candidates will be given a score from 1 to 9 for each section of the test. The average produces your overall band score. You can score whole (e.g., 5.0, 6.0, 7.0) or half (e.g., 5.5, 6.5, 7.5) bands in each part of the test.

IELTS academic writing

The writing test is the third section of the test the candidates do. There are two task for writing test and the candidates have only 60 minutes for this test. Candidates are required to write at least 150 words for task 1 and 250 words for task 2 which we are going to talk about them in details.