

Feature analysis

Content

Road to IELTS is a preparation and practice course aimed at IELTS candidates, but also useful for those preparing for other higher level English language exams. The program is organised thematically around 12 themes which are commonly used in the IELTS exam with 5-6 learning areas for each topic.

Themes

1. Leisure & entertainment
2. Language & communication
3. Travel, tourism & transport
4. Environment
5. Art & culture
6. Mass media
7. Health & fitness
8. Work & business
9. Society & social issues
10. Education
11. Developing world
12. Science & technology

Learning areas

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| Words | Writing (1) |
| Listening | Writing (2) |
| Reading | Speaking |

The objective of the program is to raise the score of users by at least one band if all the materials are covered.

Ten key learning features

1. Comprehensive coverage of all aspects of the IELTS exam.
2. Engaging and interesting contexts for learning, and a wide variety of activity and text types.
3. Detailed explanations of each activity type used in the exam with advice on how to tackle each type.
4. Exam tips focused on specific questions.
5. A wealth of authentic materials: articles, book excerpts, charts and tables. These are exactly the types of materials candidates will see in the exam.
6. Videos of each stage of the Speaking test helping candidates to know what to expect.
7. Attractive, clear, easy-to-use interface.
8. A Progress function allowing learners to analyse their strengths and weaknesses and plan their learning.
9. Logical progression from familiarisation to consolidation to exam practice.
10. Helps students succeed in IELTS!

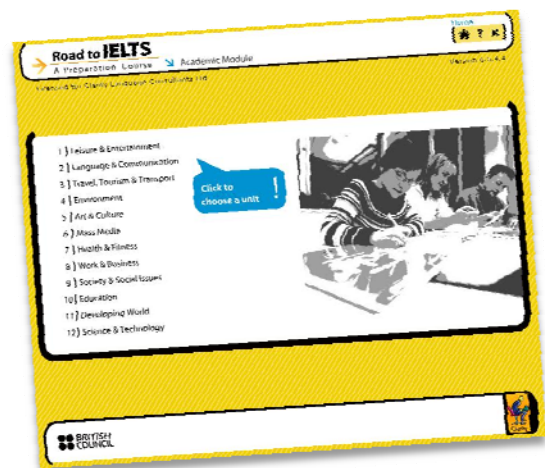
Organisation of materials

The materials under each theme are organised as in the exam. Students can take a completely flexible approach to how they use the materials. Students can practice a particular skill (reading, writing, etc), a particular test type (short answer, table completion) or simply work systematically through the materials unit by unit.

Teachers can integrate Road to IELTS into classwork. This is particularly appropriate for the Speaking videos which can be projected onto a classroom whiteboard, analysed and discussed.

Progress features

The Road to IELTS Progress function generates reports on completed activities with score, time, duration; average scores compared with all learners; relative performance in different units (effort and outcome). Teachers using Results Manager can generate and print reports for individual learners and groups of learners.



Versions

1. Road to IELTS Academic is aimed at band 5.0 and above.
2. Road to IELTS General Training is aimed at band 4.5 and above.

Technical

Network versions require Windows 2000/XP/Vista. Online versions can be hosted by Clarity, or by an institution on Windows or Linux servers.