

ROAD TO IELTS

IELTS preparation and practice



Feature analysis

Content

Road to IELTS is your best possible online preparation and practice resource for IELTS. With over 120 hours of interactive activities, advice videos from British Council experts, hints and tips on question types and mock tests, it is comprehensive, up-to-date and aimed precisely at the challenges candidates face.

Road to IELTS is organised by skill: Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. Each skill area has four key resources:

1. Starting out: an eBook introducing each skills area, explaining task types and providing hints not only on how to prepare but also on how to achieve the best possible band score on test day.
2. Advice and tutorial videos: British Council experts explain the best way to prepare for IELTS.
3. Practice zone: candidates practise tackling the various question types. More than 120 hours of focused activities!
4. Test practice: candidates simulate the test experience with mock tests.

The objective of the program is to raise the score of users by at least one full band.

Ten key learning features

1. Attractive, clear, easy-to-use interface.
2. Comprehensive coverage of all four papers of the IELTS test.
3. Engaging, interesting and varied contexts for learning, and a wide variety of activity and text types.
4. Detailed explanations of each task type used in the exam with advice on how to tackle each type.
5. Exam tips focused on specific questions.
6. A wealth of authentic materials: articles, book excerpts, charts and tables. These are exactly the types of materials candidates will see when they take the test.
7. Videos of each stage of the Speaking test helping candidates know what to expect.
8. A Progress function allowing learners to analyse their abilities and plan their learning.
9. Logical progression from familiarisation to consolidation to exam practice.
10. Research on over 130,000 British Council IELTS candidates shows improvement of up to 52% in tackling the IELTS task types after they have used Road to IELTS.

Organisation of materials

The content is organised as in the IELTS test. Students can take a completely flexible approach on how they use the materials. They can practise a particular skill (Reading, Writing, etc.), a particular task type (short answer, table completion) or simply work systematically through the materials unit by unit.

The final six sets of activities in each section of the Practice Zone focus on test preparation.

Teachers can use Road to IELTS in class activities. For example, the Speaking videos 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 and duration; average scores compared with all learners; and relative performance in different units (time and outcome).

Teachers using Results Manager can generate and print reports for individuals and groups of learners.

Versions

1. Road to IELTS Academic
2. Road to IELTS General Training

Technical

Network versions require Windows.

Online versions are hosted by Clarity and also run on tablets. SCORM objects for LMS/VLE delivery available on request.