



OFFICIAL GUIDE

for Test Takers

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Welcome to the Duolingo English Test Official Guide for Test Takers! In this section, you will learn what the Duolingo English Test is, some advantages of taking the test, and how institutions use the test.

ABOUT THE TEST

The Duolingo English Test is an English test designed for you—convenient, fast, affordable, and trusted around the world. The test is brought to you by Duolingo, the most popular way to learn a language online. Duolingo's mission is to develop the best education in the world and make it universally available.

The Duolingo English Test is:

-  **Convenient**
Take the test online from your computer at any time, anywhere in the world.
-  **Fast**
Complete the test in about 1 hour and receive your results in 2 days, or 12 hours if you upgrade to faster results.
-  **Affordable**
At a fraction of the price of other tests, you can share your results with an unlimited number of institutions for no additional cost.
-  **Trusted**
Accepted by thousands of top institutions around the world.



HOW IT WORKS

The Duolingo English Test uses the latest technology to make the test accessible, accurate, and secure. The test was developed by language testing experts using artificial intelligence (AI) to offer a modern testing experience built on research.

-  **Adaptive**
The difficulty of some test questions changes based on each test taker's performance.
-  **Accurate**
Scores are calculated by the grading engine, which is trained to understand language ability the same way that expert human raters do.
-  **Secure**
With the help of AI, human proctors review every test to ensure the integrity of every result.

Results include your overall score, subscores, and writing and speaking sample. You can share this with an unlimited number of institutions for no additional cost.

WHO ACCEPTS THE TEST

The Duolingo English Test is used as proof of English proficiency by institutions and employers around the world. It is recognized by thousands of universities in over 100 countries, and it is commonly accepted for admissions, placement, progress, or exit requirements.

To see where the test is accepted, visit englishtest.duolingo.com/institutions. Always check a university's website to understand their English proficiency requirements.

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In this section, you will learn about test preparation and readiness for the Duolingo English Test. You will read about ways to get to know the test, tips for practicing your English, and suggestions for planning your test taking experience.

ABOUT TEST READINESS

Duolingo is a language learning company with a mission to lower barriers to education for everyone. For that reason, “test prep” for the Duolingo English Test may be a little different than what you’re used to.

When people think about test preparation, they picture long hours studying, expensive resources, and memorization. These practices create a lot of pressure to perform well, which can lead to testing anxiety and an overall negative experience. That kind of test preparation isn’t necessary for the Duolingo English Test. Instead of test preparation, think more about the process of getting ready to take the test, or “test readiness.”

Minimizing stress

This is a test that’s designed for you. Take it any time, anywhere, when you’re ready. Hopefully the flexible schedule, low cost, and lack of traveling to a test center will help minimize stress, so you can stay focused on doing your best on the test.

Learn English, not an English test

You do not need special preparation in order to do well on the Duolingo English Test. No need for memorization, rehearsal, or expensive classes. The Duolingo English Test is designed to show your real proficiency level in English. Intense studying right before the test will not change your score. Your score will improve as your proficiency improves.

FREE TEST READINESS RESOURCES

No matter how convenient and affordable the test is, there will always be some stress associated with testing. That’s why there are many trustworthy resources to help you become comfortable with the test in advance.

All the information you need is online, for free at englishtest.duolingo.com



HOW TO LEARN ABOUT THE TEST

There are many ways that you can experience what it’s like to take the Duolingo English Test before you begin your certified test.

Try the following resources:

- Read this guide!
- Take the free Duolingo English Practice Test as many times as you want at englishtest.duolingo.com/quick. (Keep in mind that the practice version is shorter and is not proctored. Your reported score range on the practice test is an estimate and not as accurate as the real test.)
- Watch the test walkthrough video: go.duolingo.com/walkthrough.
- Watch YouTube videos from the Duolingo English Test channel and playlists: <https://www.youtube.com/DuolingoEnglishTest>.

HOW TO PRACTICE ENGLISH

The best way to prepare for the test is to immerse yourself in English as much as you can. There are many ways you can practice English language skills leading up to the test and to prepare for studying or working in an English-speaking environment.

When teaching or learning a foreign language, many people focus on Speaking, Writing, Reading, and Listening skills. Here are some of our favorite tips for practicing those skills, shared from the Duolingo blog (blog.duolingo.com).

Speaking

- Take advantage of time alone or at home to talk to yourself in English. Narrate what you're doing, think out loud about plans, or challenge yourself to describe favorite traditions or childhood memories! A big component of speaking is retrieving words from memory, and you can do this kind of practice on your own from anywhere.
- When you watch movies or videos in English on your own, repeat what you hear to give your tongue and brain some practice with the new sounds. Write down or record especially funny lines or catch phrases to incorporate into your around-the-house speaking practice.
- There will be some sounds in English that will feel especially tricky to get right. If you're having trouble with a sound or particular set of sounds, chances are good that others are struggling with them too. Search online for guides and videos that have extra information to help your pronunciation.

Writing

- For fast and easy practice, try writing your shopping list in English. If you keep a list of tasks for each day, you can also try writing that in English.
- On your phone or computer, install a keyboard in English so you can practice using English to text, search, and post on social media.
- Find online communities and groups that use English, and spend some of your social media time writing quick responses in the language. Soon you might be writing even longer messages!
- In your longer writing, such as in response to a prompt, be sure to expand and support your main points with relevant supporting details and examples. Use a variety of linking words to show the relationships among ideas.

Reading

- Read blogs, follow social media accounts, and join groups with posts in English.
- Read articles and news in English. You'll often be able to rely on your general knowledge of current events to help you understand.
- Read books or ebooks in English, maybe starting with topics you're already familiar with. You can even reread your favorite books in the English translation.

Listening

- Listen to music in English. Music is catchy, has a lot of repetition, and helps you learn useful phrases in a memorable context. Look up the lyrics to check what you hear!
- Watch shows or movies in English by switching the language of the audio. You can check out movies originally made in English, and you might be able to find options that include English subtitles.
- Find apps or podcasts in English. Look for options related to news, sports, history, fashion—any topic you like to hear about in your own language! Some apps may have helpful videos, too.



HOW TO TEST YOUR BEST

Because you can choose when and where you take the test, you should take it when you feel your best mentally and physically.

Make sure you're comfortable and energized

- Plan to take the test at the time of day when you perform best.
- Sleep well the night before.
- Use the bathroom before the test.
- Drink enough water before the test.
- Have a brain-boosting snack before the test.

Get in the right mindset

- Read or watch something in English.
- Try an English-language meditation to get calm and focused.
- Do some exercise or calming physical activity before the test.

Ensure privacy

- Besides the phone used to record your computer, put any devices in another room and turn them off.
- Put away any pens and paper. Taking notes is against the rules.
- Warn anyone in the area not to disrupt you.

Check equipment

- Make sure your computer and phone are sufficiently charged or plugged in.
- Verify that your internet connection is strong.
- Check that your ID is not expired.
- Take your headphones off and put them in another room.



HOW TO PACE YOURSELF

Go at your own pace when preparing for the test.

Because the test is designed to measure your English proficiency rather than your knowledge of the test, you could take it right now if you wanted to!

Before the test

- The first thing you should do is create a free account on englishtest.duolingo.com. All you need to make an account is a valid email address.
- Become familiar with the test by exploring your online account. In addition to this guide and the practice test, you will find many other free resources.
- In the days leading up to the test, increase your practice of English as much as possible.
- Know exactly when and where you want to take the test, and get your space and equipment ready.

During the test

- Right before you start the test, use the advice in "HOW TO TEST YOUR BEST" to get in the right mindset. Don't forget to refresh your memory of the rules for test taking.
- While taking the test, don't look away from the screen or exit out of the test application. Try not to look at the timer too often.
- After you finish, wait until your test has completely uploaded before leaving the Duolingo English Test desktop app. You will see a notification on the screen when your results have been uploaded.

After the test

- Within 48 hours, or 12 hours if you purchased Faster Results, you will receive your score report. You can view your results from your online account.
- You can start sending scores as soon as they're available to you.
- There is no pressure to decide which institutions will receive your scores or when—you can send them to as many institutions as you want, for no additional cost.

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In this section, you will learn about the format, individual sections, and length of the test. You will also learn more about computer adaptive testing and how it affects your test experience.

VIDEO WALKTHROUGH

One of the best ways to learn about the structure of the test is to watch the video walkthrough, available on the Duolingo English Test website (go.duolingo.com/walkthrough) or YouTube channel. You will see a test taker go through each portion of the test, including setup and upload.



TEST LENGTH

You will need about 1 hour of uninterrupted free time to take the Duolingo English Test.

ABOUT ADAPTIVE TESTING

The Duolingo English Test is a computer adaptive test, which means it has a few differences from other tests you may have taken.

Varying difficulty

The difficulty of some questions changes dynamically throughout the test. Therefore, some questions may seem easier or harder than others—that is normal!

Adaptive length

The number of test questions varies. The test will administer more or fewer questions according to the grading engine's confidence in your score.

Unique experience

The test questions draw from an extremely large pool. It is highly unlikely that you will encounter the same question twice, no matter how many times you take the exam.

HOW THE TEST IS SET UP

Once you begin the test, you'll be guided through three different sections.

1. Introduction and onboarding ~5 minutes

- Download the Duolingo English Test mobile app.
- Ensure your computer's camera, speakers, and microphone are functioning properly.
- Complete a liveness check and submit your government-issued photo ID.
- Use your phone to scan your ears and room
- Set up your phone camera to record your computer.

2. Adaptive test ~45 minutes

- Measures your English skills through a series of different question types.
- Difficulty of some questions changes based on your performance.

3. Writing Sample and Speaking Sample ~10 minutes

- You will be given a prompt and asked to respond at length.
- The Speaking Sample allows for a 1–3 minute response, and the Writing Sample allows for a 3–5 minute response.
- You will be able to review your responses to these samples after the test has concluded. Institutions that receive your results will also receive these samples.

HOW OFTEN THE QUESTIONS APPEAR

You will see each of the different question types at different frequencies throughout your test. As a reminder, each testing experience is unique, so the number of each question type may vary for each test and test taker.

Learn more about each question type at go.duolingo.com/det-questions.

QUESTION TYPES	FREQUENCY
Read and Select	15-18
Fill in the Blanks	6-9
Read and Complete	3-6
Listen and Type	6-9
Interactive Reading	2 sets of 6 questions
Interactive Listening	2 sets of 8-10 questions
Write About the Photo	3
Interactive Writing	1 set of 2 questions
Speak About the Photo	1
Read, Then Speak	1
Interactive Speaking	1
Writing Sample	1
Speaking Sample	1

HOW THE QUESTIONS ARE SCORED

Question types with correct answers

For Read and Complete, Read and Select, Fill in the Blanks, Listen and Type, Complete the Sentences, Complete the Passage, Highlight the Answer, Identify the Idea, Title the Passage, Listen and Respond, test questions are graded automatically through special procedures developed specifically for each question type. These procedures compare your responses to correct responses, then evaluate the similarities and differences.

For Listen and Complete, responses are graded as either “incorrect”, “partially correct,” or “correct” using an automated grading model.

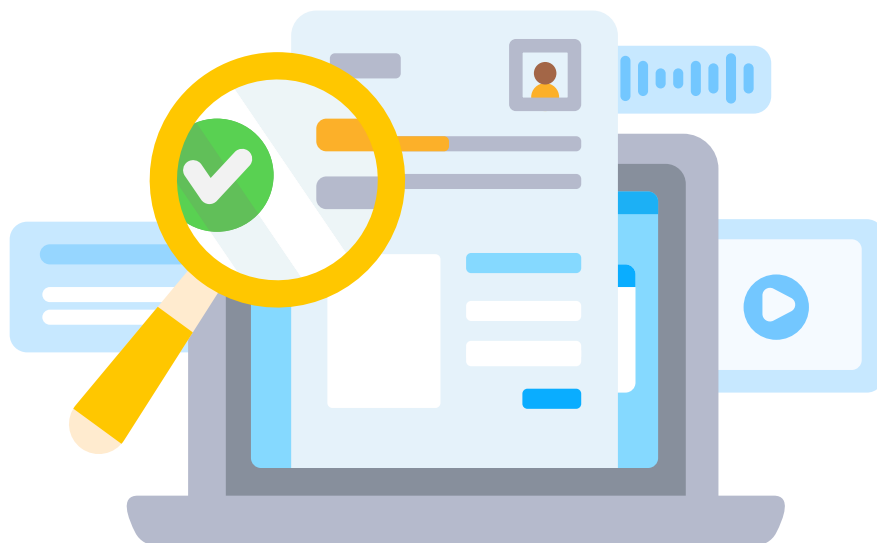
The good news: You won’t be penalized more for entering an incorrect response rather than skipping the question. If your answer isn’t entirely correct, you will receive partial credit. For example, in Read and Complete, you will receive the same score for a blank or an incorrect response. For Listen and Type, you will be penalized more for missing a word than mistyping the word. In other words, it is always best to try to answer a question.

Open response question types

Summarize the Conversation, Write About the Photo, Speak About the Photo, Interactive Writing, Read Then Speak, Listen Then Speak, Interactive Speaking, Writing Sample, and Speaking Sample are **open response questions**, and your answer will be evaluated by a grading engine.

The grading engine is trained to understand your English proficiency just like expert human raters. Some of the aspects it evaluates include:

- content: relevance, style, development, and effect on the reader
- discourse coherence: clarity, cohesion, progression of ideas, and structure (for writing questions only)
- lexis (vocabulary): lexical diversity, lexical sophistication, choice of words, formation of words, and spelling (for writing questions only)
- grammar: grammatical complexity, grammatical accuracy, and punctuation (for writing questions only)
- fluency (speaking questions only): speed; natural use of pauses; and reliance on filler words, repetition, and starting/ stopping
- pronunciation (speaking questions only): intelligibility, individual sounds, word stress, sentence stress, and intonation



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In this section, you will learn how to set up the environment and equipment you will need to take the test. You will also learn about the Duolingo English Test desktop app and mobile app.

HOW TO SET UP YOUR SPACE

One of the advantages of the Duolingo English Test is that you can choose your own testing environment. There are a few general guidelines to help you consider where to take the test.

Comfort

Take the test when and where you feel most comfortable. This doesn't have to be in your own home, as long as you can ensure privacy.

Quiet

You don't want any background noise to interfere with your responses or distract you.

Privacy

Make sure no one disturbs you. Tip: put a "do not disturb" note on the door!

Light

The proctors will need to be able to clearly see you throughout the test, so make sure the room is not too dark.

EQUIPMENT YOU NEED

Computer

- In order to take the Duolingo English Test, you will need a computer with a functioning microphone, speakers, and camera. Your camera should be on the top-center of your monitor or screen.

Phone

- You will need to use your phone camera to verify your identity, scan your room, scan your ears, and record your keyboard and computer screen during the test. Your phone must be fully charged or plugged in throughout the test.

Valid identification

- In order to receive certified results, the Duolingo English Test requires a government-issued photo ID. You will need to have your actual, physical ID ready when taking the test. During the setup section of your test, you will need to submit a photo of this ID. You may not use copies and pictures of the ID card or passport. You must be holding up the actual ID. If you have questions about whether your ID will be accepted, go to go.duolingo.com/det-id.

Internet connection

- You will need an internet connection with at least 2 Mbps download speed and 1 Mbps upload speed. You can type "internet speed test" into most search engines to find a quick and free way to test your speed. If you have a wired ethernet connection available to you, we recommend using it. Because they can be unstable, we do not recommend using a mobile hotspot. You will also need a small amount of storage on your computer to download the Duolingo English Test desktop app.

ABOUT THE DESKTOP AND MOBILE APPS

All Duolingo English Tests are administered through the desktop app. The mobile app is used during test setup to verify your identity, complete your room and ear scans, and set up your phone to record your computer.

Installing the Desktop App

You can download the desktop app quickly and easily at any time after purchasing your test. **You will need:**

- a stable internet connection
- a small amount of space available (241 MB on Mac, 49 MB on Windows)

Windows:

1. Save your Duolingo English Test.exe file to your desktop or downloads folder.
2. Click on the Duolingo English Test.exe file in your browser download bar or double-click the file to open it where it was saved.
3. You may receive a message that reads “Windows protected your PC — Microsoft Defender SmartScreen prevented an unrecognized app from starting. Running this app might put your PC at risk.”
4. Click MORE INFO then RUN ANYWAY to allow Windows to install the application.
5. Once the application has fully installed, open the application and log in with your Duolingo English Test username and password.

Mac:

1. Save your Duolingo English Test.dmg file to your Desktop or Downloads folder.
2. Click on the Duolingo English Test.dmg file in your browser download bar or double-click the file to open it where it was saved.
3. An installer window will appear, prompting you to drag the Duolingo English Test desktop app into your “Applications” folder. Click and drag the application to that folder. You may have to grant your computer permission to modify your “Applications” folder by logging in.
4. You may receive a message that reads “‘Duolingo English Test’ is an app downloaded from the internet. Are you sure you want to open it?” Select OPEN to allow your operating system to install the application.
5. Once the application has fully installed, open the application and log in with your Duolingo English Test username and password.

Depending on the version of macOS you are running, you may need to grant permission to the microphone and webcam.

Installing the Mobile App

During test setup in the desktop app, you will be prompted to scan a QR code using your phone. Follow the instructions to download, install, and use the mobile app.

HOW TO PURCHASE THE TEST

Go to the Duolingo English Test homepage and log in to your account. If you don’t have an account, you can create one for free by signing up with a valid email address at englishtest.duolingo.com.

Click BUY NOW.

- Choose whether you want to buy a single test or a bundle of two tests.
- Choose whether you want your results in two days or the same day.
- Enter your payment details. Most major credit cards are accepted, as well as some other payment methods depending on your location. If you have a coupon, click APPLY COUPON CODE to use it.

You have 21 days from the time of purchase to begin your test. If you purchase a bundle, you have an additional 21 days to take your second test after receiving the result of your first test. You can purchase up to 3 tests in a 30 day period.

FASTER RESULTS

A test with faster results reduces the turnaround time from two days to 12 hours. You can purchase faster results in three places:

- When purchasing a test
- After purchasing but before starting a test, by clicking GET FASTER RESULTS on your home page
- Within one hour of submitting your test and completing the post-test survey, by clicking GET FASTER RESULTS

ABOUT ACCOMMODATIONS

If you need to request accommodations for different abilities, the Duolingo English Test support team will work with you to accommodate your request if possible. These are evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

In order to request an accommodation, please fill out the form at this link: englishtest.duolingo.com/accommodations. You will need to be logged into your test taker account to submit the form. A member of the support team will reply within 3 days.

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In this section, you will learn about why test security is important, and how your test is kept safe and fair. You will also learn about the rules that test takers are required to follow. You should review these rules multiple times—understanding these before taking the test helps ensure that your results will be certified.

WHY SECURITY MATTERS

Duolingo recognizes that reliable and secure test results are very important to both test takers and institutions. For that reason, the integrity of the Duolingo English Test is the highest priority.

Since the Duolingo English Test is administered in a unique way, it calls for innovative security protocols. As a result, The Duolingo English Test integrates a series of advanced security measures so that you can be confident in the results.

HOW YOUR TEST STAYS SECURE

Secure design

The adaptive delivers a unique test to every student. Someone would have to take the test more than 1,000 times to see a question repeated.

Remote proctoring

Human proctors, with the help of AI, examine each test session for more than 75 different behaviors in multiple, independent rounds of review.

AI and data forensics

Millions of data points collected from tests over time train security algorithms to help detect rule breaking and identify patterns of suspicious behavior.

ID verification

A combination of computer vision, AI, and trained proctors verify test takers' identity.

Multiple angles

Test takers' phone cameras check for earbuds and ensure the test environment is secure.

Test lockdown

The test is canceled if test takers attempt to access external applications or plugins during the test.

Video sample

Accepting institutions can review a short video sample from each test taker's test session.

SECURITY CHECKS

You will use your phone to complete a few security checks during test setup.

ID Verification

You will complete a liveness check, take a photo of your face, and take a photo of your ID: go.duolingo.com/det-id-verification.

Room Scan

You will perform a 360-degree scan of your room: go.duolingo.com/det-room-scan.

Ear Scan

You will touch your phone to both of your ears to check for earbuds: go.duolingo.com/det-ear-scan.

Phone Camera

You will set up your phone to record your computer and keyboard during the test: go.duolingo.com/det-phone-camera.

TIPS FOR MAKING SURE YOUR RESULTS ARE CERTIFIED

For most people, the Duolingo English Test is the first high-stakes test they have taken from home, instead of in a test center. This new model of testing comes with different rules that help maintain the integrity of each test session.

Unfortunately, some test takers don't receive their results on the first try—not because they were cheating, but because they unintentionally broke one of the rules. The good news is that there are some simple things you can do to ensure that your test is certified and you receive your results in 2 days.

Stay focused on your screen

Since you are testing from the comfort of your home, each test is proctored to ensure that you're not getting help from an outside resource. Looking away from your computer could be an indication of this. It's natural to want to look up when thinking or trying to find the right words, but try to remember to look at the question as you answer it. You may need to occasionally glance at the keyboard as you type your answers—don't worry, that's okay!

Close all programs on your computer

When you're ready to take the test, your test session should be the only thing running on your computer. Before you start the test, close programs including all browsers (Chrome, Firefox, etc.), telecommunication software (Skype, Discord, etc.), streaming software (Twitch, etc.), and remote desktop software (Teamviewer, Anydesk, etc.). You should also double check that there aren't any programs running in the background without you knowing.

Make sure your test environment is private

It goes without saying that nobody can help you with your test. That's why nobody is allowed in your testing environment—even if they aren't helping you.

Make sure you have one hour of uninterrupted time. Let everyone around you know not to enter your testing area. You can even put a sign on your door!

Speak and write naturally

The Duolingo English Test is a test of your real, natural English ability. During open response sections of the test, try to respond naturally with answers that you come up with in the moment. Even if you have practiced answers to similar types of questions, your response should be specific to the topic, and in your own words.

Don't interfere with your phone camera

Your phone camera must record the computer screen and keyboard continuously throughout the entire test. If the video is interrupted, obscured, or interfered with, the test will be canceled or invalidated and you will need to take it again from the beginning.

Placing your phone horizontally will be most stable. A rubber case, instead of a hard plastic case or no case at all, will help prevent your phone from sliding and falling. You may also place something heavy in front of your phone, as long as it is not a prohibited item and it does not block the view of your phone's camera.



OTHER RULES TO KNOW AND FOLLOW

Read these rules multiple times before the test, and watch our rules video at go.duolingo.com/rules-video. If any of these rules are broken, our proctors will invalidate your test and your results will not be certified.



Don't look away from the screen, except when typing



Don't memorize or read answers from other sources



Don't speak until instructed



Don't take notes or record questions



Don't interact with anyone during the test



Don't use a VPN, virtual machine, or assistive software

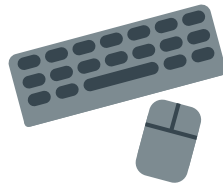
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Don't use headphones or earbuds, and keep your ears visible



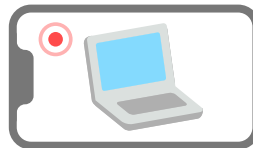
Use only one keyboard, mouse, and phone camera



Stay in the camera frame and keep your ears, eyes, and mouth visible



Remove extra screens, devices, and paper from the testing area



Capture your entire screen and keyboard with your phone camera



Don't interfere with the phone camera recording

WHEN RULES ARE BROKEN

If you violate any of the rules of the Duolingo English Test, Duolingo reserves the right to not certify your test results, or to invalidate any previously certified results, without providing a refund. Depending on the severity of the violation, test takers may also be suspended for one year or permanently banned from taking the test again.

In some situations, you may be eligible to appeal your invalid results. If you are eligible for an appeal, you will see a button that says **APPEAL THIS RESULT** next to your invalid result on the Duolingo English Test home page.



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In this section, you will learn all about score reporting, including what your scores mean, where to find them, and how long they are valid. You will also learn how the Duolingo English Test uses subscores.

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR SCORE REPORT

After your test has been scored and reviewed, you will receive an email notification that your scores are ready. You can then log in to your account at englishtest.duolingo.com to access your report.

WHAT YOUR SCORES MEAN

On your score report, you will see both your overall score and your subscores. If you want to learn more about scores and see what a score report looks like, watch this video: go.duolingo.com/det-score-video.

Overall score

Your proficiency is reported as a holistic score on a scale from 10 to 160 in 5-point increments. The Duolingo English Test score scale is aligned to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR), an international standard of language proficiency. Visit <https://englishtest.duolingo.com/prepare/scores> to see how your Duolingo English Test score compares to CEFR levels, as well as TOEFL iBT® or IELTS® Academic scores.

Different institutions have different requirements for admission. Be sure to consult the university's website to see their admissions thresholds.

SUBSCORES



Speaking



Writing



Reading



Listening



Production



Literacy



Comprehension



Conversation

Why are these different from other tests?

Research in applied linguistics indicates that integrated subscores best represent how language is used in practice. Effective and natural language use often requires people to simultaneously employ multiple skills, including in academic settings. Combining individual subscores with integrated subscores provides a detailed view of your English language proficiency.

How are subscores calculated?

The individual subscores are calculated based on performance on the test. The average of the individual subscores, rounded to the nearest 5, will equal the overall score. Each of the integrated subscores is an average of the two individual subscores that comprise it.

HOW LONG RESULTS ARE VALID

Validity period

Certified scores are valid for two years.

When to retake the test

If you received a certified result but want to retake the test for any reason, you may purchase another test. Please note you may only purchase three tests in any 30-day period.

CERTIFICATE  [ADD TO LINKEDIN](#)  [PRINT](#)  [MAKE PRIVATE](#)  [SHARE RESULTS](#)

 **duolingo english test** **OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE**



Boateng, Beatrice
Date of birth: August 24, 1998
Test taken: September 23, 2023

Certificate ID: xez90ksc4zmlsn95
Link: certs.duolingo.com/xez90ksc4zmlsn95

Overall Score



130

Advanced: CEFR C1

- ✓ Can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognize implicit meaning.
- ✓ Can express themselves fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions.

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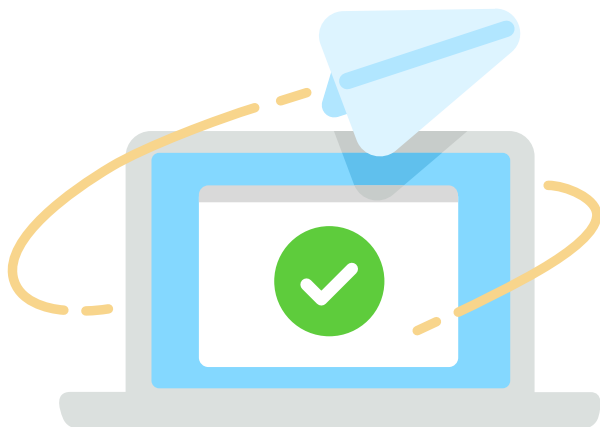
In this section, you will learn what to do after you have received your test results and are ready to share them.

HOW TO SEND YOUR RESULTS

When your test has been certified and the results are ready, you will receive an email alert.

Log in to your Duolingo English Test account. Once logged in, you will be able to submit your official scores to any institution of your choosing. Certified tests will be shown in the “My Tests” section of your home page. For each certified test result, you will have the option to share it externally by selecting the **SEND RESULTS** button. You will then follow a series of prompts to select the institutions that you would like to receive your results. You will be able to confirm your selections before officially sending them. To see what it looks like, you can watch a video that includes the test sharing process on our website at englishtest.duolingo.com/applicants.

You can send certified test results to an unlimited number of institutions. There is no additional fee. Because results are sent electronically, you don’t need to mail them. Once results are sent to an institution through our platform, they can be accessed by those institutions immediately.



HOW INSTITUTIONS USE RESULTS

Most institutions and organizations use the Duolingo English Test as a measure of English proficiency for admissions or placement purposes, comparable with other English proficiency tests. Just like with those other tests, many institutions often set minimum score thresholds. Check each university’s website for information about their requirements.

In addition to your English proficiency scores, the Duolingo English Test provides additional information about you as a candidate, through your speaking and writing samples—you can read more about this in the next section.

WHAT INSTITUTIONS SEE

Your score report

Institutions will have access to the same information that you have in your own score report. They will see your overall score and your subscores.

Writing and Speaking samples

Institutions will also be able to read your extended Writing Sample and watch your Speaking Sample. Please note that the speaking sample is sent as a video recording, so they will be able to see you as well as hear you.

Institutions often use these responses as a way to get to know you better and learn more information about your English ability. These samples are important components of your test that show off your unique personality and English skills as an admissions candidate. Make sure to do your very best on these parts of your test to help you stand out as an applicant!

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Thank you for reading the Official Guide for Test Takers! Hopefully, this information and advice has helped you feel confident and ready to begin your test experience.

We believe that everyone deserves access to high-quality education, and we hope that the Duolingo English Test can support you on your journey.

IF YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

you can always **consult our FAQ**

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