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# IELTS

A CONCISE GUIDE TO ACE THE IELTS PROCEDURE AND  
GET YOU A TICKET TO AUSTRALIA

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is the most widely used and accepted English language proficiency exam. It is used to determine visa applicants' English proficiency for job, migration, and study (student exchange) purposes. About 10,000 organizations worldwide support the test, including teachers, universities, employers, immigration officials, and professional bodies.

The IELTS is Australia's most commonly adopted and valued test of English proficiency. In Australia, there are 50 IELTS test centers. Hence, IELTS is approved by all universities and colleges in Australia. The IELTS test evaluates your English skills in reading, writing, listening, and interacting. Also, IELTS provides more free practice content than any other language exam. The level of English language proficiency required depends on the institute and program you want. You will also need the test results for your visa application.

# What is the required score?

When it comes to foreign policy in Australia, universities and immigration officials want to know if you can study in English. So, if you want their permission, you must ace the IELTS test and attain the appropriate score.

When it comes to IELTS scores, most colleges and research institutions have different requirements. Nursing, education, and law programs, for example, have more stringent standards. The standards for Vocational Education and Training (VET) programs, on the other hand, are typically lower. As a result, you can call the course provider directly or speak with an education counselor. They have access to information from a variety of educational providers.

- When it comes to IELTS scores, you'll need a minimum of 5.5. This is a government prerequisite for a visa. Without this 5.5 minimum category, you will be unable to qualify for a Student Visa (Subclass 500).
- The minimum prerequisite is reduced for candidates who wish to combine their studies with an English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students (ELICOS). The combined minimum for a 10-week ELICOS course is 5.0, and the combined minimum for a 20-week ELICOS course is 4.5.

- The 5.5 can also be seen as a bare minimum for low-grade educational establishments. However, the criteria for most Australian universities are much greater than this. A minimum IELTS score of 6.0-6.5 is required for an undergraduate course. Even then, if your score is below 7.0, you will be required to take a diagnostic language test upon enrollment.
- The minimum threshold for postgraduate courses has been raised to 7.0. This is subject to substantial adjustment depending on which MA or PHD program you wish to follow.

SCORE	LEVEL OF UNDERSTANDING
9 Expert User	Has fully operational command of the language
8 Very Good User	Has fully operational command of the language with occasional unsystematic inaccuracies.
7 Good User	Has fully operational command of the language with occasional inaccuracies and misunderstandings.
6 Competent User	Has generally effective command of the language with occasional inaccuracies and misunderstandings.
5 Modest User	Has partial command of the language
4 Limited User	Has basic competence which is limited to familiar situations
3 Extremely limited User	Conveys and understands only general meaning in familiar situations
2 Intermittent User	No real communication is possible except for the most basic information using isolated words.
1 Non User	Essentially has no ability to use the language beyond a few isolated words
0 Did not attempt the test	-

# Exam Registration and Prep

## Four simple steps to ace the IELTS test

1. Familiarize with the IELTS test format
2. Sample tests are key
3. Get Official IELTS Practice Materials from the local testing centre
4. A Preparation course can make you much more confident

## Registration can't be made any simpler:

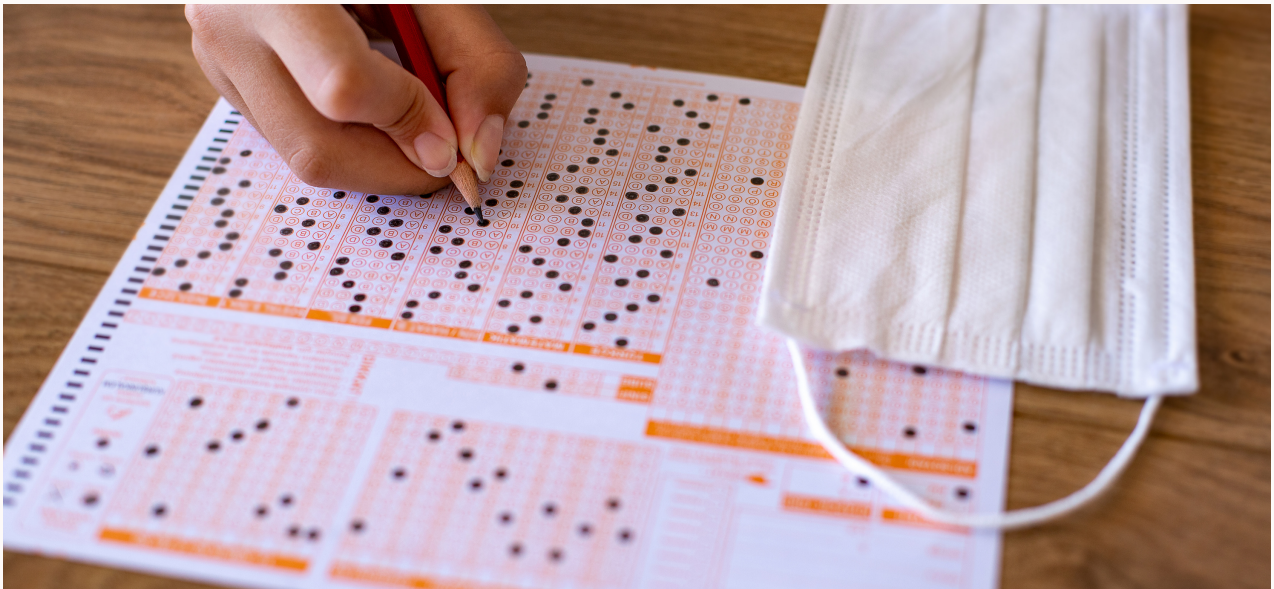
**1. Find A Test Centre:** There are over 1,100 IELTS centers worldwide, or you can take the test online using a Computer Delivered IELTS test format. The computer-delivered alternative will measure your Listening, Reading, and Writing portions, but the speaking exam will still be done in person.

**2. Register: Nowadays,** you can register and pay online. You can also fill out a downloaded online application form and bring it with you to your testing location.

Then it's only a matter of confirming a test date and time. When your booking is complete, you will get a written confirmation regarding all of the specifics.

IELTS results are available 13 days after the exam. You can collect your Test Result Form from the testing centre or, get it mailed to you. If you want to save more time, you can get your Test Result Form sent to five organizations of your choosing for free

Keep your copy safe as you will not be able to access a duplicate and you really don't want to give the exam again.



# The Guide in Three Steps

**1.**

**CHECK THE IELTS CRITERIA FOR YOUR AUSTRALIAN STUDY PROGRAM.**

**2.**

**ARRANGE YOUR IELTS EXAMINATION AND HAVE YOUR RESULTS FORWARDED DIRECTLY TO YOUR UNIVERSITY.**

**3.**

**ACCEPT THE UNIVERSITY'S STUDY OFFER AND APPLY FOR YOUR STUDENT VISA.**

# Ace that test with SIA's IELTS Training

