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# **LISTENING**

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## Entenda como é o IELTS

Existem dois tipos de testes, o IELTS Academic, para quem deseja estudar fora; e o IELTS General Training, que avalia o domínio do inglês em situações práticas do dia a dia.

O IELTS General Training é o teste que você vai precisar fazer para aplicar para a residência permanente. Por ele, você será avaliado em sua capacidade de conversação, de compreender informações; de interpretar textos e escrever redações.

O exame é dividido em seções com diferentes tempos de duração. Os testes de interpretação oral e de texto e a redação são feitos em sequência, já o teste de conversação pode ser feito até 7 dias antes ou depois da data do exame, de acordo com a disponibilidade do centro que aplicar o teste. No infográfico abaixo você confere mais detalhes do formato do exame e do tempo disponível para cada etapa:

### Listening - 30 minutos

O candidato ouve 4 textos gravados, monólogos e conversas com diferentes sotaques nativos, e em seguida escreve as respostas para uma série de perguntas. As conversas são divididas das seguintes formas e ouvidas apenas uma vez:

**Parte 1** Uma conversa entre duas pessoas em um contexto social. ex: Uma entrevista de emprego.

**Parte 2** Um monólogo sobre um momento do cotidiano. ex: Uma apresentação sobre serviços disponíveis em algum lugar.

- Parte 3** Uma conversa entre até 4 pessoas em um contexto educacional ou de treinamento. ex: Uma conversa entre professor e alunos
- Parte 4** Um monólogo sobre um tema acadêmico. ex: Uma palestra

### Reading - 60 minutos

A parte de leitura é formada por textos autênticos extraídos de livros, revistas, jornais, anúncios e guias, seguidos por 40 questões variadas para testar a habilidade de interpretação do candidato.

### Writing - 60 minutos

A parte escrita é composta de duas redações sobre tópicos de interesse geral.

- REDAÇÃO 1** Os candidatos são apresentados a uma situação e devem escrever uma carta solicitando mais informações ou explicando a situação. Ela pode ter de ser no estilo pessoal, semiformal ou formal.
- REDAÇÃO 2** Escrever uma composição em resposta a um ponto de vista, argumento ou problema.

## Speaking - 11 a 14 minutos

A parte falada do IELTS avalia a capacidade do candidato de se expressar verbalmente em inglês. Tudo é gravado, e as questões são feitas de uma forma que os candidatos não podem ensaiar suas respostas antes.

**PARTE 1** Candidatos respondem perguntas gerais sobre eles mesmos e sobre uma variedade de tópicos familiares. Duração de 4 a 5 minutos.

**PARTE 2** Os candidatos recebem um cartão com um tópico sobre o qual eles devem falar. Eles têm apenas um minuto para se preparar para falar até dois minutos, e em seguida devem responder a uma ou duas perguntas do examinador sobre o mesmo assunto.

**PARTE 3** São feitas mais perguntas relacionadas ao tópico da parte 2. Essas perguntas dão ao candidato a possibilidade de falar mais sobre ideias e de uma forma mais abstrata. Duração de 4 a 5 minutos.

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## Material needed for this class:

### IELTS Listening Class 2 – Audio.mp3

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### Audio Transcript

(A customer has been arranging with a shipping agent to send a large box overseas. This is the last part of the conversation.)

**A** - OK right. Now obviously insurance is an important thing to consider and our companies are able to offer very good rates in a number of different all-inclusive packages.

**B** - Sorry, could you explain a bit more?

**A** - Yes, sorry, um. There's really three rates according to quality of insurance cover – there's the highest comprehensive cover which is Premium rate, then there's standard rate and then there's economy rate. That one will only cover the cost of the contents second hand.

**B** - Oh I've been stung before with economy insurance so I'll go for the highest.

**A** - Mh'hm and can I just check would you want home delivery or to a local depot or would you want to pick it up at the nearest port?

**B** - The port'd be fine – I've got transport that end.

**A** - Fine and will you be paying by credit card?

**B** - Can I pay by cheque?

## Exercises:

### SECTION 1

#### Questions 9 and 10

Choose the correct letter, A, B or C.

#### 9 - Type of insurance chosen

A - Economy

B - Standard

C - Premium

#### 10 - Customer wants goods delivered to

A - port

B - home

C - depot

#### Answer Key

9 - C

10 - A

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## Material needed for this class:

**IELTS Listening Class 3 – Audio.mp3**

**IELTS Listening Class 4 – Sample task – Matching.pdf**

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### **Tapescript**

You will hear a man talking to an official at a tourist information office.

**Official** - Can I help you?

**Man** - Yes, I was wanting somewhere to stay for a few days – a four or five star hotel. Can you tell me something about the possibilities?

**Official** - OK, right, well there are five hotels that might interest you. Were you wanting a city centre location, or would you be interested in something a bit further out?

**Man** - Well, I do have a car so I could go for either.

**Official** - Well, there are three central hotels in the range you're looking for – there's Carlton House and The Imperial, they're both near the main square, but if you've got your own transport you might be interested in the Royal Oak – that's out in the country, about ten kilometres away, very peaceful. Then there's the Bridge hotel and the Majestic – they're both in town but not in the centre, they're out on the airport road.

**Man** - Mmm that might be a bit far out actually. OK, now the other two you mentioned, in the city centre. Can you tell me a bit about them?

**Official** - Well, they're both excellent hotels. If you want something with a bit of character, Carlton House is quite unusual – it's a very old building that was originally a large private house, it was bought by the Vannis chain and they completely refurbished it – they took their first guests just a few months ago but it's already got an excellent reputation. That's a five star hotel. Or there's the Imperial, which is a much more modern building.

That's also has its own gym and it also has internet connection and meetings rooms – it's used for conferences and corporate events as well as private guests. That's five star as well.

**Man** - Does it have a swimming pool as well as a gym?

**Official** - No – the Royal Oak has an outdoor pool, which is lovely in the summer, but the only hotel with an indoor pool is the Bridge Hotel. It doesn't have a gym though. The Majestic is planning to build a swimming pool and a fitness centre, but it's not finished yet.

**Man** - I see. Well, I think I'll probably go for one of the city centre hotels.

### Answer Key

1 - E

2 - B

3 - C

4 - A

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# CLASS 04

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## Material needed for this class:

**IELTS Listening Class 4 – Audio.mp3**

**IELTS Listening Class 4 – Sample task – Plan\_Map\_Diagram\_Labeling.pdf**

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### Directions

The words below were taken from the practice task. To listen to how they're pronounced, click on the audio file. Which other words and phrases can you add?

... is just by the...

...is just on your right as you go in.

Opposite this is...

The first room on your left.

Just beyond the librarian's desk on the right is...

If you carry straight on you'll come into...

There is... in the shelves on the left...

There's... on your right.

On the shelves on the far way there are...

Through the far door in the library there is...

Just past the fiction shelves there are...

Then there's a ... room to the right of the...

There's a ... on the left of the...

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### **Public spaces**

Here are some words related to communities. Check their pronunciation in the corresponding audio file. Which other spaces can you remember?

Library

Grocery

Hospital

School

Community garden

Notary public

Regional park

Post office

Police department

Car repair

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If you want to check the meaning of the words in these list, we recommend the use of <http://www.thefreedictionary.com>, where you can also listen to the pronunciation of words.

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## Material needed for this class:

**IELTS Listening Class 5 – Audio.mp3**

**IELTS Listening Class 4 – Sample task – Completion.pdf**

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### Transcript

You will hear a telephone conversation between a customer and an agent at a company which ships large boxes overseas.

**A** - Good morning Packham's Shipping Agents. Can I help you?

**B** - Oh yes, I'm ringing to make enquiries about sending a large box, a container, back home to Kenya from the UK.

**A** - Yes, of course. Would you like me to try and find some quotations for you?

**B** - Yes, that'd be great. Thank you.

**A** - Well first of all, I need a few details from you.

**B** - Fine.

**A** - Can I take your name?

**B** - It's Jacob Mkere.

**A** - Can you spell your surname, please?

**B** - Yes, it's M-K-E-R-E.

**A** - Is that 'M' for mother?

**B** - Yes.

**A** - Thank you, and you say that you will be sending the box to Kenya?

**B** - That's right.

**A** - And where would you like the box picked up from?

**B** - From college, if possible.

**A** - Yes, of course. I'll take down the address now.

**B** - It's Westall College.

**A** - Is that W-E-S-T-A-L-L?

**B** - Yes, ... college.

**A** - Westall College. And where's that?

**B** - It's Downlands Road, in Bristol.

**A** - Oh yes, I know it. And the postcode?

**B** - It's BS8 9PU.

**A** - Right ... and I need to know the size.

**B** - Yes, I've measured it carefully and it's 1.5m long ...

**A** - Right.

**B** - 0.75m wide ...

**A** - OK.

**B** - And it's 0.5m high or deep.

**A** - Great. So I'll calculate the volume in a moment and get some quotes for that. But first can you tell me, you know, very generally, what will be in the box?

**B** - Yes there's mostly clothes.

**A** - OK. [writing down]

**B** - And there's some books.

**A** - OK. Good. Um ... Anything else?

**B** - Yes, there's also some toys.

**A** - OK and what is the total value, do you think, of the contents?

**B** - Well the main costs are the clothes and the books – they'll be about £1500 but then the toys are about another two hundred – so I'd put down £1700.



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Material needed for this class:

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**Answer the questions below.**

Write **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER** for each answer.

**What TWO factors can make social contact in a foreign country difficult?**

1 - .....

2 - .....

**Which types of community group does the speaker give examples of?**

theatre

3 - .....

4 - .....

**In which TWO places can information about community activities be found?**

5 - .....

6 - .....

## Answer key

1 and 2 (in either order): language / customs

3 and 4 (in either order): music (groups) / local history (groups)

4 and 5 (in either order): (the) (public) library/ies / (the) town hall

## Tapescript

You will hear an extract from a talk given to a group who are going to stay in the UK.

Good evening, and welcome to the British Council. My name is John Parker and I've been asked to talk to you briefly about certain aspects of life in the UK before you actually go there. So I'm going to talk first about the best ways of making social contacts there. Now you might be wondering why it should be necessary. After all, we meet people all the time. But when you're living in a foreign country it can be more difficult, not just because of the language, but because customs may be different.

If you're going to work in the UK you will probably be living in private accommodation, so it won't be quite so easy to meet people. But there are still things that you can do to help yourself. First of all, you can get involved in activities in your local community, join a group of some kind. For example, you'll probably find that there are theatre groups who might be looking for actors, set designers and so on, or if you play an instrument you could join music groups in your area. Or if you like the idea of finding out about local history there'll be a group for that too. These are just examples. And the best places to get information about things like this are either the town hall or the public library. Libraries in the UK perform quite a broad range of functions nowadays – they're not just confined to lending books, although that's their main role of course.

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## Material needed for this class:

**Accent – Australian\_NewZealander – AdamSpencer\_2013-480p-en.mp4**

**Accent – British – AnnMorgan\_2015G-480p-en.mp4**

**Accent – NorthAmerican – StanleyMcChrystal\_2014U-480p-en.mp4**

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**Here's a list of extra videos you can watch to increase your familiarity with the range of accents used in the IELTS Listening Exam:**

### **BRITISH ACCENT:**

[http://www.correntewire.com/russell\\_brand\\_vs\\_jeremy\\_paxman\\_the\\_full\\_transcript](http://www.correntewire.com/russell_brand_vs_jeremy_paxman_the_full_transcript)  
(with transcript)

### **AUSTRALIAN ACCENT:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0LFKwfvvNY>

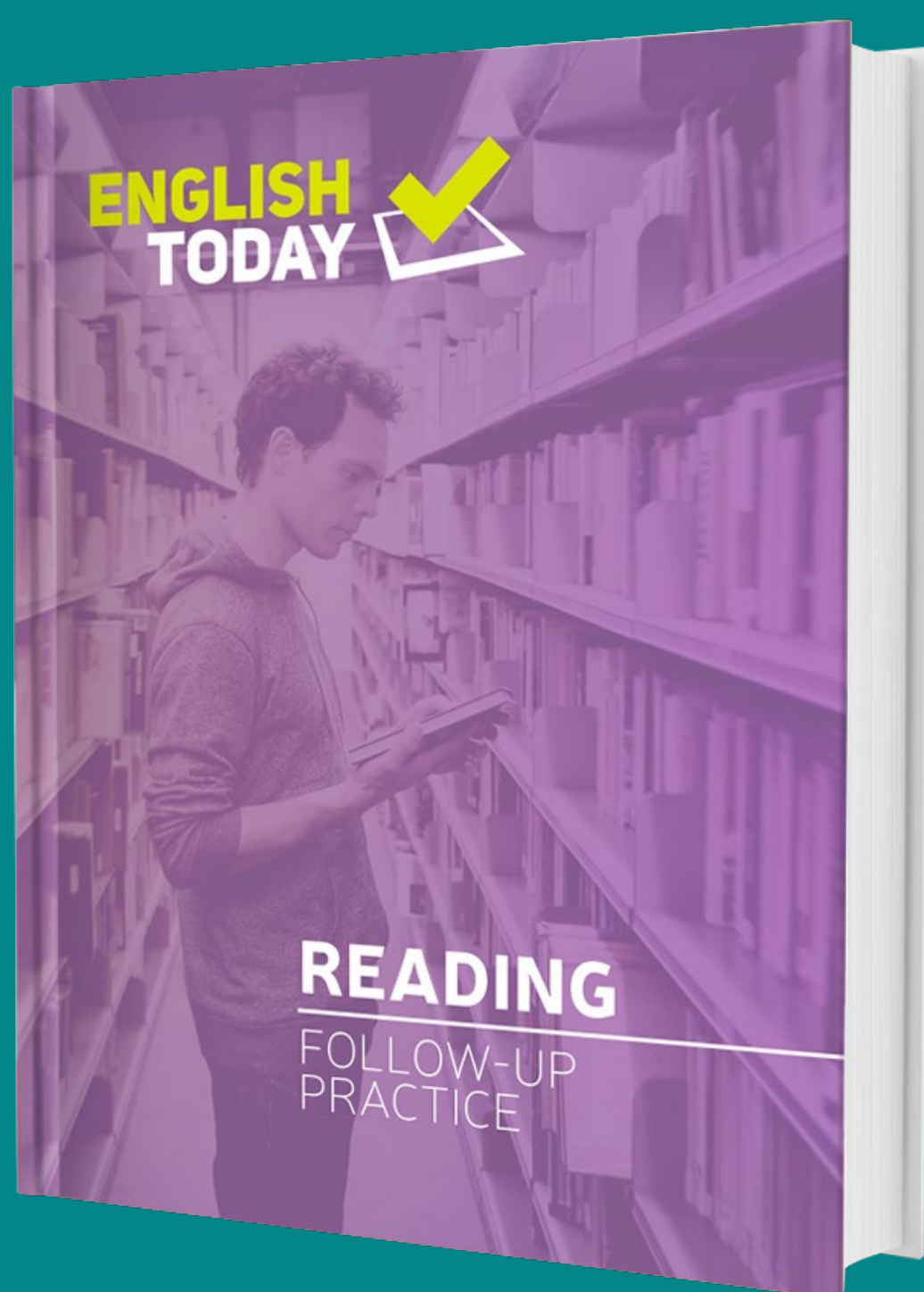
### **NEW ZEALANDER ACCENT:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wgzcnxitww0> (no transcript)

### **AMERICAN ACCENT:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7YPI8Rqjc5Y> (with transcript)

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