



Cambridge English Qualifications

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Why take a Cambridge English Exam

English is very important in daily life. Whether you have the ambition to go abroad for your work and studies or not, a good knowledge of the English language is essential. While the world of work is becoming increasingly international, many study books are in English and lectures at the university or college are often given through the medium of the English language.

By preparing for a Cambridge Exam, you will develop communication skills that you can use for everyday life, work and study.

Cambridge Exams B2 First, C1 Advanced & C2 Proficiency focus on general English and are fun to prepare for. The exams do not just cover academic English but are designed to test the English you will read, write, hear and speak in real-life situations. In addition, Cambridge Exams are established and prestigious exams certified by University of Cambridge and recognised all around the world.

Why Masterclass Academy of Languages?

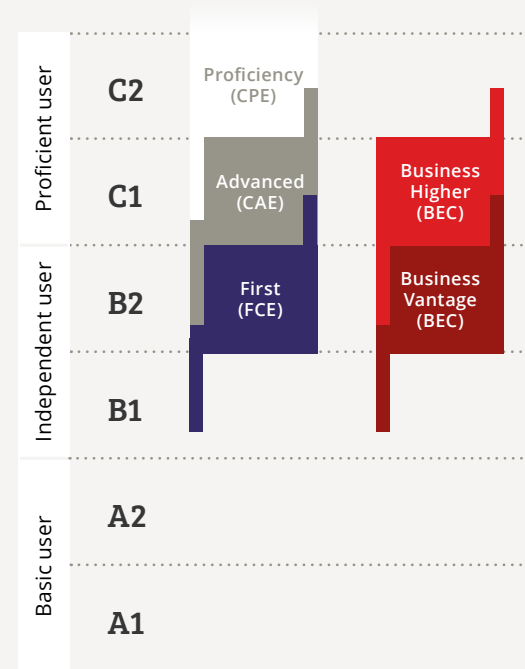
Masterclass Academy of languages has organized the Cambridge Examinations in the Netherlands for the past 10 years in South Holland and has been granted excellent administration by Cambridge University Assessment.

We strongly believe in fairness and it is our aim to make it possible for everyone to broaden their future life and career possibilities with a Cambridge qualification. Therefore, we keep our prices low and can offer further discounts when larger numbers of candidates are registered.

If you need to prepare for your exam, you have the opportunity of selecting any one of the following Cambridge English Exam preparation courses:

- B2 Cambridge First
- C1 Cambridge Advanced
- C2 Cambridge Proficiency
- B2 Cambridge Business Vantage
- C1 Cambridge Business Higher

Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)



At Masterclass, we have your interests at heart and are flexible in our offer. We listen to your needs and act on these. Our registration system is quick and easy and will save you time during busy moments.

We will provide you support throughout the year to ensure you have all the tools, materials and know-how you need to prepare and register your pupils for the Cambridge exams.

We can also offer attractive discounts on preparation materials from Cambridge University Press.

How to take a Cambridge Exam?

Cambridge allows its examination centres to organize exam sessions at fixed dates throughout the year. Masterclass has chosen a number of sessions where we offer all potential candidates the opportunity of registering for an exam. These dates are indicated in Tables 2 to 9 below.

Our registration system is simple. We provide you with an individual registration form where you can fill in your details. Once we receive it back from you we will check it and enter you in the Cambridge registration system. Your registration will then be complete.

If you need special arrangements due to temporary or long-term learning difficulties or health conditions, there are a number of ways that we will help you in order to make your experience as pleasant as possible during your examinations and ensure that you have a fair chance of passing the exam. Special arrangements are possible, for example, for broken limbs, a long-term illness, dyslexia, ADHD, or a specific learning

difficulty. Please feel free to enquire about the possibilities.

Our fees

Our registration fees depend on the format of the examination (paper based/ computer based). Indicated prices are fixed until July 2024.

Table 1. Exam Fees

PAPER BASED EXAM	
B2 First	€ 245,-
C1 Advanced	€ 260,-
C2 Proficiency	€ 280,-
COMPUTER BASED EXAM	
B2 First	€ 260,-
C1 Advanced	€ 275,-
C2 Proficiency	€ 295,-



Exam Dates

The sessions that Masterclass Academy of Languages will run in 2024 are in the tables below.

Exam dates B2 First 2024

Table 2. Official Examination Sessions
B2 First 2024 Paper Based

2024	PAPER BASED	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	SPEAKING EXAM WINDOW
March	2 Saturday	15 January	24 Feb to 2 Mar
June	4 Tuesday	15 April	31 May to 8 June
November	26 Tuesday	10 October	22 Nov to 30 Nov

Table 3. Official Examination Sessions
B2 First 2024 Computer Based

2024	COMPUTER BASED*	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
January		
February	24 Saturday	28 January
March		
April	09 Tuesday	15 March
May	18 Saturday	25 April
June	08 Saturday	15 May
July		
September		
October		
November	22 Friday	01 November

* The speaking exam is, when possible, on the same date as the written paper



Exam Dates C1 Advanced 2024

**Table 4. Official Examination
Session C1 Advanced 2024
Paper Based**

2024	PAPER BASED	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	SPEAKING EXAM WINDOW
March	09 Saturday	20 January	1 to 09 March
May	18 Saturday	27 March	10- 18 May
June	05 Wednesday	15 April	31 May to 09 June
November	27 Wednesday	10 October	22 Nov to 30 Nov

**Table 5. Official Examination
Session C1 Advanced 2024
Computer Based**

2024	COMPUTER BASED*	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
January	13 Saturday	18 December (2023)
February	03 Saturday	10 January
March	09 Saturday	10 February
May	18 Saturday	1 May
June	15 Saturday	25 May
July	06 Saturday	15 June
September	07 Saturday	18 August
October		
November	16 Saturday	19 October
December	7 Friday	15 November

* The speaking exam is, when possible, on the same day as the written papers



Exam Dates C2 Proficiency 2024

Table 6. Official Examination Sessions C2 Proficiency 2024

2024	PAPER BASED	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	SPEAKING EXAM WINDOW
March	2 Saturday	15 January	24 Feb to 2 March
June	7 Friday	15 April	31 May to 8 June
December	05 Thursday	15 October	29 Nov to 7 Dec

Table 7. Official Examination Sessions C2 Proficiency 2024 Computer Based

2024	COMPUTER BASED*	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
February	28 Wednesday	07 February
May	17 Friday	20 April
June	20 Thursday	1 June
July	06 Saturday	15 June
November	16 Saturday	25 October
December	02 Monday	15 November

* The speaking exam is, when possible, on the same date as the written paper



Appendix

Appendix 1. B2 First Exam format

B2 First is a test of all areas of language ability. A B2 First qualification proves that candidates have the language skills to live and work independently in an English-speaking country or study courses taught in English.

A B2 First qualification shows that an English speaker can:

communicate effectively face-to-face, expressing opinions and presenting arguments

follow the news/television

write clear, detailed English, expressing opinions and explaining the advantages and disadvantages of different points of view

write letters, reports, stories and lots of other types of text.

The updated exam (for exam sessions from January 2015) is made up of four papers developed to test all four language skills. The table below summarizes the content of each paper.

The Speaking test is taken face-to-face, with two candidates and two examiners. This creates a more realistic and reliable measure of the ability to use English to communicate.

PAPER	CONTENT	PURPOSE
Reading and Use of English (1 hour 15 minutes)	7 parts / 52 questions	Shows candidates can deal confidently with different types of text, such as fiction, newspapers and magazines. Tests the use of English with tasks that show how well grammar and vocabulary can be controlled.
Writing (1 hour 20 minutes)	2 parts	Requires candidates to be able to produce two different pieces of writing, such as letters, reports, reviews and essays.
Listening (about 40 minutes)	4 parts / 30 questions	Requires candidates to be able to follow and understand a range of spoken materials, such as news programmes, presentations and everyday conversations.
Speaking (14 minutes per pair of candidates)	4 parts	Tests the ability to communicate effectively in face-to-face situations. The speaking test is taken with one or two other candidates.

Appendix 2. C1 Advanced Exam format

This is the in-depth, high-level qualification that shows that candidates have the language skills that employers and universities are looking for.

More than 8,000 educational institutions, businesses and government departments around the world accept C1 Advanced as proof of high-level achievement in learning English.

Preparing for C1 Advanced helps learners develop the skills to make the most of studying, working and living in English-speaking countries.

A C1 Advanced qualification shows that a candidate can:

follow an academic course at university level

communicate effectively at a managerial and professional level

participate with confidence in workplace meetings or academic tutorials and seminars

express themselves with a high level of fluency.

PAPER	CONTENT	PURPOSE
Reading and Use of English (1 hour 30 minutes)	8 parts / 56 questions	Shows candidates can deal confidently with different types of text, such as fiction, newspapers and magazines. Tests their use of English with different types of exercise that show how well they can control their grammar and vocabulary.
Writing (1 hour 30 minutes)	2 parts	Candidates create two different pieces of writing, such as essays, letters/emails, proposals, reports and reviews.
Listening (about 40 minutes)	4 parts / 30 questions	Tests the ability to follow and understand a range of spoken materials, such as interviews, radio broadcasts, presentations, talks and everyday conversations.
Speaking (15 minutes per pair of candidates)	4 parts	Tests the ability to communicate effectively in face-to-face situations. Candidates will take the Speaking test with another candidate.

Appendix 3. C2 Proficiency Exam Format

This is Cambridge's highest level qualification and it shows mastery in English at an exceptional level.

It proves the ability to communicate with the fluency and sophistication of a highly competent English speaker.

Preparing for and passing the exam means candidates have the level of English that is needed to study or work in a very senior professional or academic environment, for example on a postgraduate or PhD programme.

A C2 Proficiency qualification displays an ability to:

study demanding subjects at the highest level (including postgraduate and PhD programmes)

understand the main ideas of complex pieces of writing

talk about complex issues, and deal confidently with difficult questions.

PAPER	CONTENT	PURPOSE
Reading and Use of English (1 hour 30 minutes)	7 parts / 53 questions	Shows candidates can deal confidently with different types of text, such as fiction and non-fiction books, journals, newspapers and manuals.
Writing (1 hour 30 minutes)	2 parts	Requires candidates to be able to write a variety of text types, such as essays, reports and reviews.
Listening (about 40 minutes)	4 parts / 30 questions	Requires the ability to follow and understand a range of spoken materials, such as lectures, speeches and interviews.
Speaking (16 minutes per pair of candidates)	3 parts	Tests the ability to communicate effectively in face-to-face situations.



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