The Redesigned TOEIC Bridge® Tests from ETS

Discover a better way to measure foundational English proficiency using our four-skills assessment.

Evaluate basic to intermediate listening, reading, speaking and writing skills used in everyday life.

In today’s interconnected world, a solid foundation of English-language skills can open opportunities. The TOEIC Bridge® tests have been redesigned to provide an objective and effective tool to understand an individual’s basic- to intermediate-level English proficiency—with the same trusted quality and reliability that make the TOEIC® tests the global standard for measuring English proficiency in the workplace.

The TOEIC Bridge suite of assessments measures developing skills in listening, reading, speaking and writing, enabling test takers to fully demonstrate their ability to communicate in day-to-day situations. Individual skills can be combined into complementary test modules, offering flexibility, efficiency and convenience to meet your specific needs.

Make informed decisions and support learning.

The redesigned TOEIC Bridge tests focus on communication tasks in everyday life and common workplace scenarios that reflect modern language uses and communication methods. Aligned with recognized international language-learning frameworks including CEFR and CLB*, they provide a useful and reliable way to measure and compare individuals’ basic to intermediate English communication skills, so you can confidently:

- Make screening and placement decisions
- Meet English-language program entrance and exit requirements
- Monitor learning progress
- Develop individuals on the path to advanced English proficiency

Redesigned TOEIC Bridge test scores mapped to the CEFR:

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*Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) and Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB)

Interpreting Results

Employers, institutions, English programs and learners can interpret the recommended minimum scores on the redesigned TOEIC Bridge tests by referring to the global descriptors and other tables in the CEFR. The results represent the recommendations of informed experts using recognized standard-setting approaches. However, they should be considered guidelines, as ETS does not recommend the use of rigid cut scores.
The four-skills approach: listening, reading, speaking and writing

By measuring all four skills essential for effective communication, the TOEIC Bridge tests offer a comprehensive way to measure basic- to intermediate-level skills to progress on the path to advanced English-language proficiency.

**Listening**

Responding to descriptions, questions, conversations and talks spoken in English

- Part 1: Four pictures - 6 questions
- Part 2: Question-response - 20 questions
- Part 3: Conversations - 10 questions
- Part 4: Talks - 14 questions

Approximately 25 minutes

**Reading**

Completing sentences in written English; answering questions about short informational texts in English

- Part 1: Sentence completion - 15 questions
- Part 2: Text completion - 15 questions
- Part 3: Reading comprehension - 20 questions

35 minutes

**Speaking**

Reading texts aloud; asking for and providing information; describing and narrating events; giving opinions

- Read a short text aloud - 2 questions, preparation time 25 seconds, response time 30 seconds
- Describe a photograph - 2 questions, preparation time 30 seconds, response time 30 seconds
- Listen and retell - 1 question, preparation time 15 seconds, response time 30 seconds
- Short interaction - 1 question, preparation time 30 seconds, response time 30 seconds
- Tell a story - 1 question, preparation time 45 seconds, response time 60 seconds
- Make and support a recommendation - 1 question, preparation time 60 seconds, response time 60 seconds

Approximately 15 minutes

**Writing**

Completing and writing sentences; asking for and providing information; describing events; giving opinions

- Build a sentence - 3 questions, response time 60 seconds
- Write a sentence - 3 questions, response time 90 seconds
- Respond to a brief message - 1 question, response time 8 minutes
- Write a narrative - 1 question, response time 10 minutes
- Respond to an extended message - 1 question, response time 10 minutes

Approximately 37 minutes

For more information about the redesign of the TOEIC Bridge tests, contact your local ETS Preferred Network office at TOEICglobal.com/contact.