

TOEFL® Essentials™ Test



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The TOEFL® Essentials™ test measures the 4 core language skills - Listening, Reading, Writing, and Speaking - using a multistage adaptive design, in about 1 ½ hours. Take the test from home, from almost anywhere in the world.

Comparing the TOEFL® Essentials™ Test and the IELTS® Academic Test

	TOEFL Essentials Test	IELTS® Academic ¹
Uses both academic (50%) and general (50%) English content	YES	YES
Scores sent in 6 days or less	YES	YES
Reports section scores for the 4 core English proficiency skills: listening, reading, writing and speaking	YES	YES
Convenient at home access	YES	NO
Affordable cost (US\$120 or less)	YES	NO
Speaking responses are recorded at the computer, eliminating the potential biases of an in-person interview	YES	NO
Speaking responses are scored centrally by anonymous human raters, never at the test center	YES	NO
Reports foundational skills in addition to section scores	YES	NO
Can be completed in 1 test session	YES	NO

1 -These descriptions do not apply to the IELTS Indicator or the IELTS General Training test.

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