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Test Security

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What is IELTS?

- The ‘International English Language Testing System’
- Jointly owned by 3 partners:

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CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH Language Assessment Part of the University of Cambridge

- Extensive collective experience in language testing and delivery internationally
- British Council and IDP: IELTS Australia: test delivery
- Cambridge English Language Assessment: test production, development, research and analysis

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Facts and figures

- Two versions of the test: Academic or General
- Results released **13** days after test
- Over **3 million** tests taken in 2017
- Up to **48** Global Test Dates available per year on **3** Saturdays and **1** Thursday every month
- Tests administered in over **140** countries and over **1,100** locations worldwide
- Costs approx **$309** - this differs from province to province and country to country

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Pre-Test Security

Materials, People and Procedures

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IELTS Test Materials

- 48 Fixed Test Dates
- Unique Test Versions
- Rigorous Question Paper Production Process
- Secure Printing and Despatch
- Secure Lock-Up
- Mechanisms to assure Material Security and Accountability

People in Test Delivery

- Accountability mechanisms at every stage for everyone:
  - Centre Managers
  - Supervisors, Invigilators
  - Markers
- Recruitment, Induction, Training, Monitoring and standardisation procedures for **all staff** involved in testing
- Separation of Duties Policy

Test Day Security
Test Delivery & ID Checking

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Test Day – Key Points

- Optimal Testing Environment
- Material movement
- Secure Storage of Belongings
- Candidate Identity Checks
- Invigilation Script
- Speaking Test Arrangements

Identity Authentication Management (IAM)

- Biometric information captured at initial contact
- Verification conducted at every entrance to a secure area
- Original identity check procedures maintained as well
- Photo taken on IAM will be the photo displayed on the TRF

IAM Screen - Taking the candidate's test day photo

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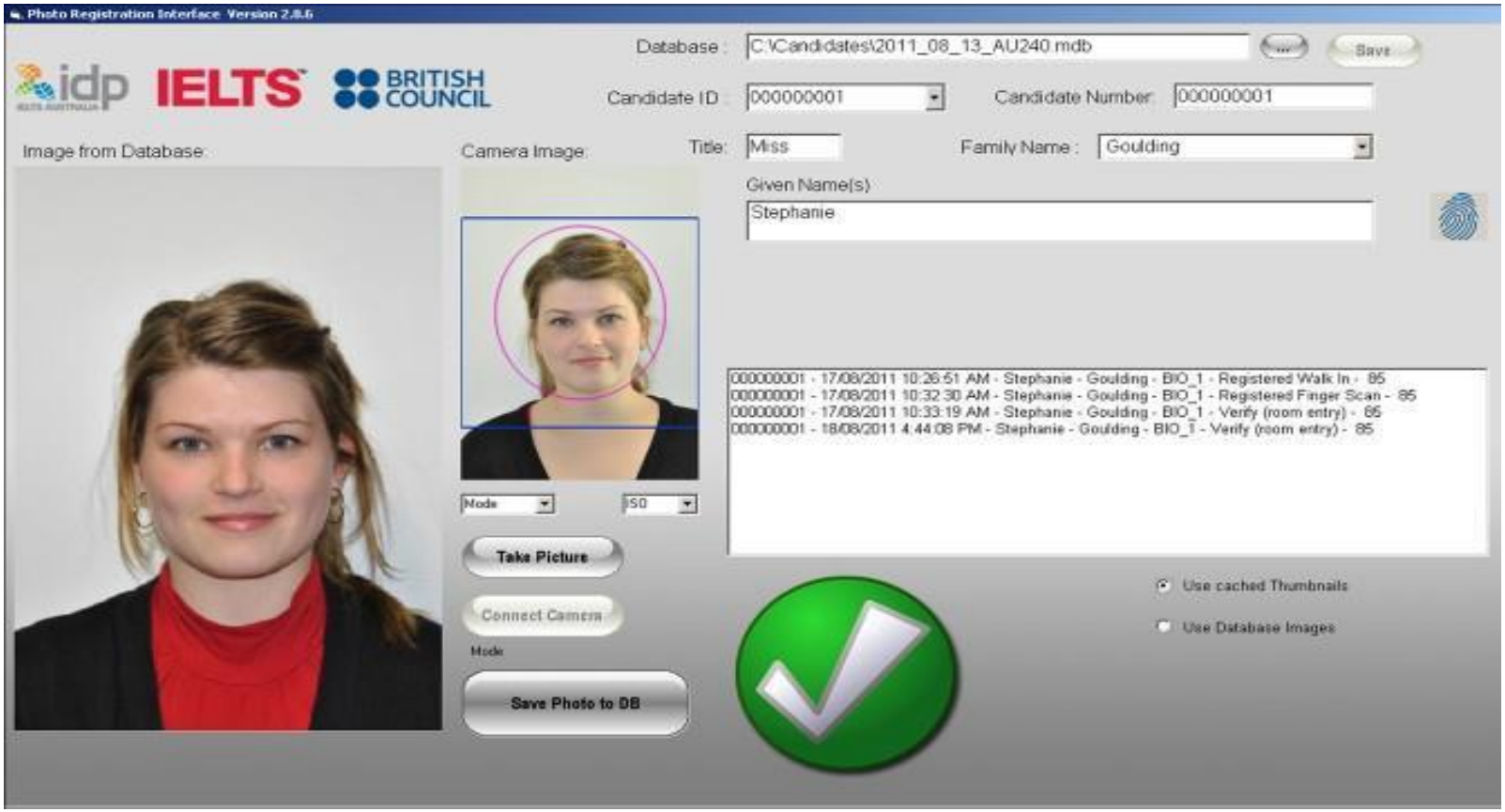
IAM Screen - Verify the candidate's identity



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Post-Test Security Marking Mechanisms and Results Processing

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Results Processing

- Marking Policy
  - On-Site
  - Double-Marking
- Quality Control Systems
  - Results Double-Entry
  - Pre-Release Analysis
- Test Report Form (TRF) Generation
  - Secure storage, Authorised Signatories

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Online Results

- Only for Candidates

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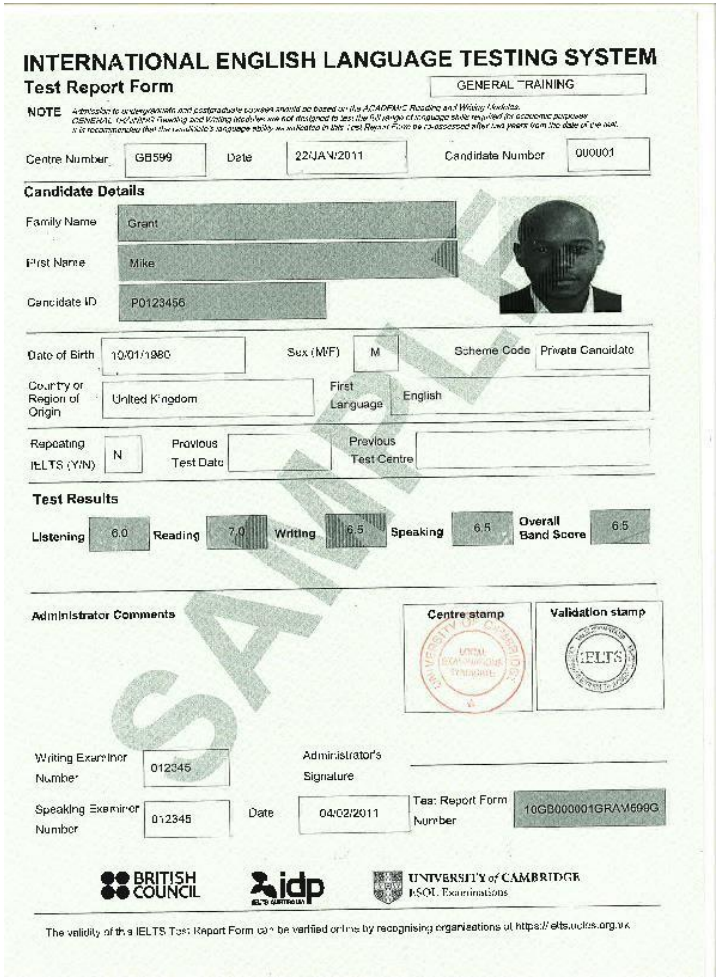
- Test Report Form (TRF)



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GENERAL TRAINING

NOTE Admission to undergraduate and postgraduate courses should be based on the ACADEMIC Reading and Writing Modules. GENERAL TRAINING Reading and Writing Modules are not designed to test the full range of language skills required for academic purposes. It is recommended that the candidate's language ability be re-tested if the Test Report Form is re-presented after two years from the date of the test.

Centre Number: GB599 Date: 22/JAN/2011 Candidate Number: 000001

Candidate Details

Family Name: Grant

First Name: Mike

Candidate ID: P0123456

Date of Birth: 10/01/1980 Sex (M/F): M Scheme Code: Private Candidate

Country or Region of Origin: United Kingdom First Language: English

Repeating IELTS (Y/N): N Previous Test Date: Previous Test Centre:

Test Results

Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking	Overall Band Score
6.0	7.0	6.5	6.5	6.5

Administrator Comments

Centre stamp

Validation stamp

Writing Examiner Number: 012345 Administrator's Signature:

Speaking Examiner Number: 012345 Date: 04/02/2011 Test Report Form Number: 10GB000001GRAM698G

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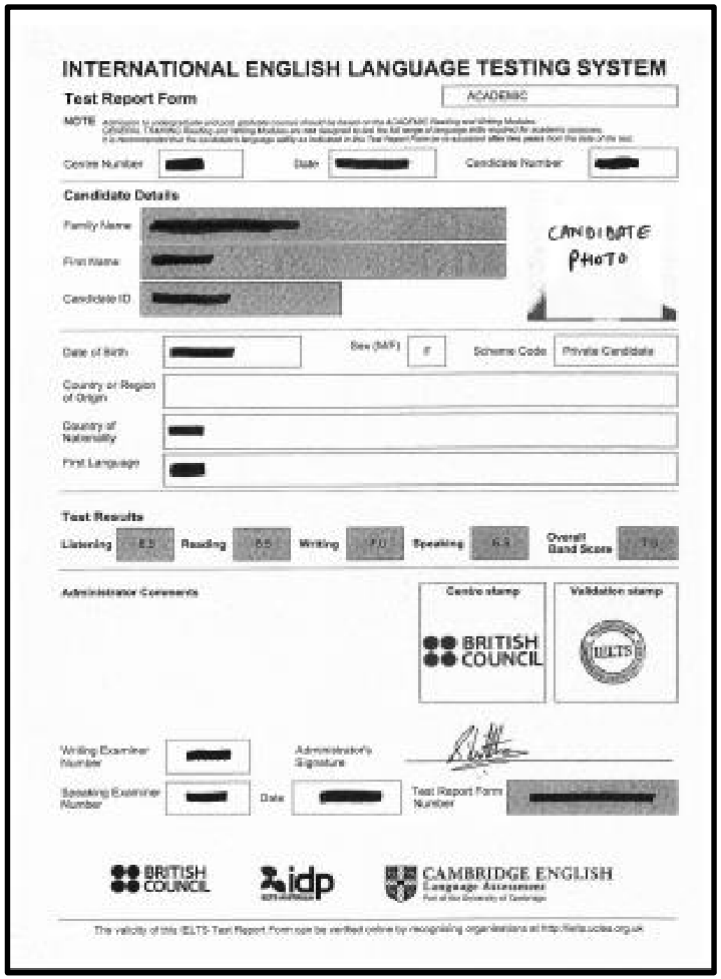

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Centre Number: [redacted] Date: [redacted] Candidate Number: [redacted]

Candidate Details

Family Name: [redacted]

First Name: [redacted]

Candidate ID: [redacted]

CANDIDATE PHOTO

Date of Birth: [redacted] Sex (M/F): F Scheme Code: Private Candidate

Country or Region of Origin:

Country of Nationality: [redacted]

First Language: [redacted]

Test Results

Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking	Overall Band Score
8.5	8.5	7.0	6.5	7.5

Administrator Comments

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Writing Examiner Number: [redacted] Administrator's Signature:

Speaking Examiner Number: [redacted] Date: [redacted] Test Report Form Number: [redacted]

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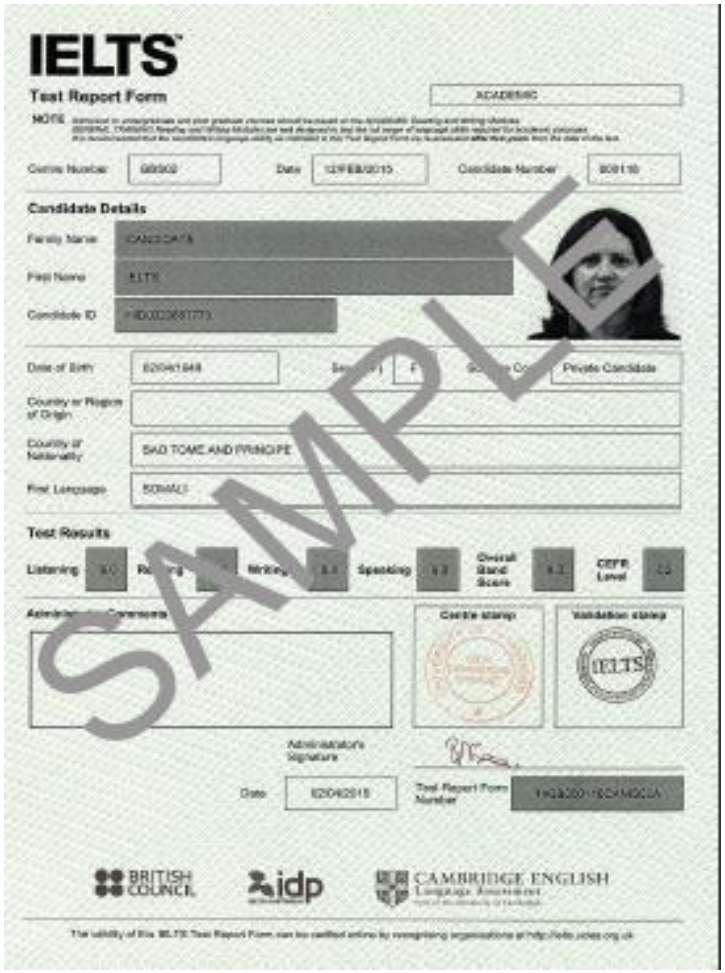

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Centre Number GBS02 Date 12/FEB/2015 Candidate Number 000119

Candidate Details

Family Name CANDIDATE

First Name IELTS UKVI

Candidate ID KID0003020164

UKVI Number IEL/12022015/GBS02/000119

Date of Birth 22/10/1978 (M/F) Scheme Code Private Candidate

Country or Region of Origin

Country of Nationality ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

First Language ENGLISH

Test Results

Listening 1.0 Reading 1.0 Writing 1.0 Speaking 1.0 Overall Band Score 1.0 CEFR Level Below B1

Administrator Comments

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Administrator's Signature

Date 02/04/2015

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Test Report Forms – Key Points

- **One** personal Test Report Form (TRF) copy per candidate
- Additional copies can be sent **directly** by post (or electronically) by test centres to institutions
- **Test takers** can request this service up to **2 years** after the test

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Test Results Verification

Online TRF Verification Service

- Log in at www.ielts.org/TRF and click on TRF Query

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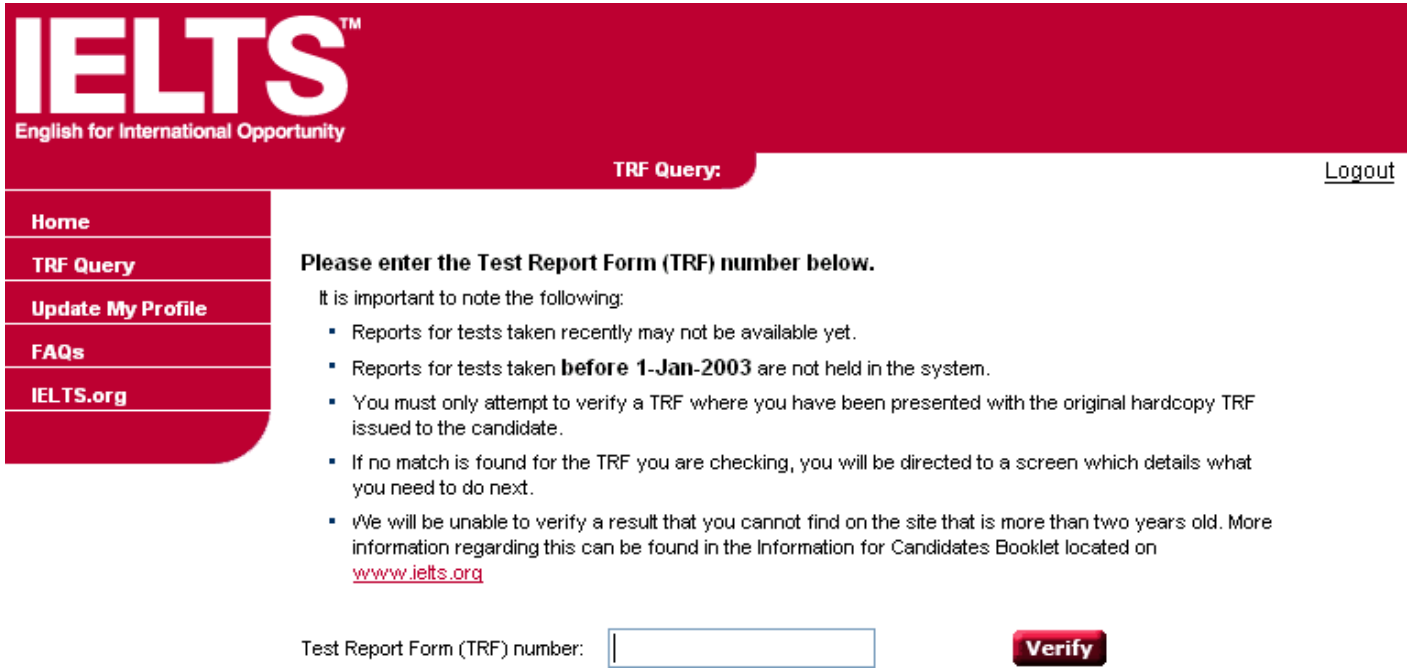
- Enter the TRF number



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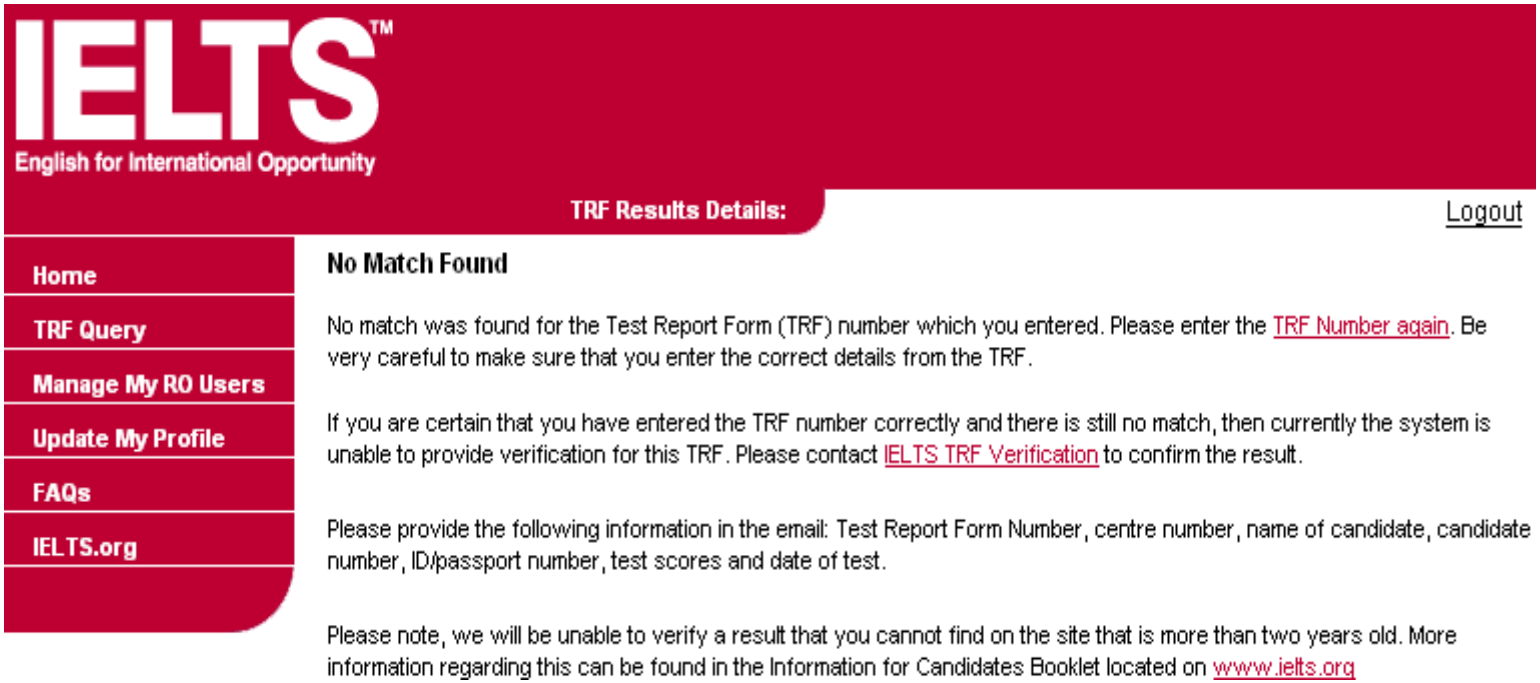

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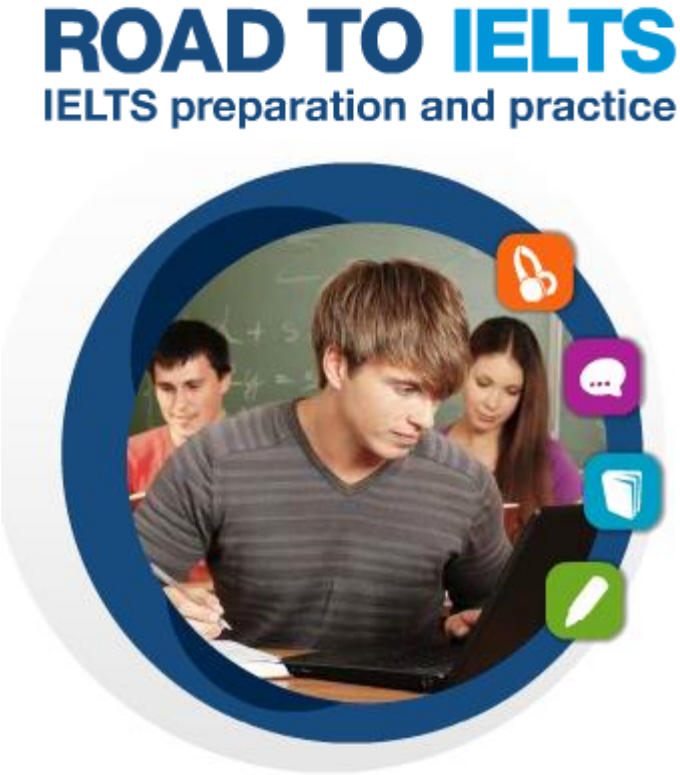
Road to IELTS – preparation tool for organisations and teachers

- **10** hours free practice for all
- **20** hours more on registering for IELTS
- **120** hours full version
- **Institutional version**
- E-book for each skill
- Tips and tutorial videos
- Practice area and tests
- Progress and comparison tool



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IELTS Prep APP

- Speaking and Listening tips & FREE practice tests
- Common grammar rules explained and exercises to practice
- Videos of Speaking interviews
- Assessment criteria explained
- Quizzes to help you prepare better
- Other useful tips to succeed

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Understanding IELTS: Techniques for English Language Tests

A free online course starting on 5 February 2018

Prepare for the IELTS test with the British Council's free online course Understanding IELTS: Techniques for English Language Tests.

The course will help anyone learning English, especially those preparing for the IELTS test (International English Language Testing System).

Each week will focus on a component of the IELTS test (Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking) and include exercises to check you're on track with the four English skills.

As the course takes you through each section of IELTS, you will become familiar with what to expect in the test, have a chance to practise your English and get expert tips on how to reach your goals.

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