



## Cambridge Assessment English

The Cambridge English Certification is a set of official examinations created by the University of Cambridge (UK) to assess and certify the level of English proficiency according to the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages). This is “linguistic passport” that allows you to officially prove your level of English internationally.

### Main features:

- International recognition: it is accepted by universities, schools, companies and institutions around the world.
- Unlimited validity: Unlike IELTS or TOEFL, it does not expire.
- In Italy it is requested by some companies and counts for some marks in open competitive exams
- Levels: it covers all skill levels, from beginner (A1) to proficiency (C2).
- Comprehensive structure: it assesses the 4 language skills — *Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking* — plus *Use of English* (grammar and vocabulary).
- Versions: *Paper-based* or *computer-based*, with different times for release of results.
- Suitable for all ages: there are versions for children (Young learners), youths (for Schools) and adults.

### Main Cambridge Certifications:

- Pre A1 Starters
- A1 Movers
- A2 Flyers / A2 Key (KET) – Basic levels.
- B1 Preliminary (PET) – Intermediate level.
- B2 First (FCE) – level often required by universities and companies.
- C1 Advanced (CAE) – high academic and professional level.
- C2 Proficiency (CPE) – highest level, almost native proficiency level.



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## AFRISMO FOR STUDENTS

Why choose our **AFRISMO FOR STUDENTS** courses?

- They are recognized by top Italian universities for exemption from internal English exams
- They are essential to access university courses entirely taught in English, in Italy and abroad
- They are useful to enhance the curriculum and offer a greater competitive-edge professionally
- They offer two-level courses, each with official Cambridge certification
- They come with a free trial test to create homogeneous and more effective classes
- Suitable for secondary school diploma candidates, bachelor's degree students and young professionals seeking to perfect their English

### B2 – Upper-Intermediate / First (FCE)

B2 First is one of the most popular exams and is accepted by hundreds of companies and institutes worldwide. It certifies the student's ability to communicate proficiently in English-speaking contexts.

#### Features

- Understand complex texts and technical discussions on familiar topics
- Interact fluently with native speakers
- Write clear, well-structured texts (letters, stories, reports)
- Express various opinions in detail, analysing pros and cons

#### Benefits

- It is recognised by universities and companies worldwide
- It opens up international academic and professional opportunities
- Cambridge English certificates are accepted by 100% of Italian state universities and they allow exemption from the eligibility test (if one sits for and passes the test within 2 years of university enrolment).
- Boosts language speaking confidence in social and work settings

B2 First exam

| B2 First                      | Exam format           |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Reading and<br>Use of English | 1 h 15 min.           |
| Writing                       | 1 h 20 min.           |
| Listening                     | Approximately 40 min. |

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| Speaking         | 14 minutes (per pair of candidates)<br><br>Face-to-face testing with one or two other candidates and two examiners.<br><br>Students must show their ability speak spontaneously, either by talking to one another, with examiners, or alone. |
| CEFR level       | B2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Format           | Digital or paper                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Number of tests  | 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Overall duration | Approximately 3 h 30 min.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

### **C1 – Advanced (CAE)**

Recognised by more than 8,000 institutes, companies and organisations worldwide, C1 Advanced is an exam in high demand. It helps achieve a high level of knowledge of English and stand out in academics and job market alike.

#### **Goals**

- Understand long, complex texts, even with implicit meanings
- Speak fluently and spontaneously
- Write structured, well-argued texts with appropriate language register

#### **Benefits**

- Access to bachelor's and master's degree programmes abroad
- It is recognised by multinational companies as a professional level
- It certifies a good command of English and helps holders to stand out in the academic and professional fields

#### **C1 Advanced exam**

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| C1 Advanced                | Exam format |
| Reading and Use of English | 1 h 30 min. |

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| Writing          | 1 h 30 min.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Listening        | Approximately 40 minutes                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Speaking         | 15 minutes (per pair of candidates)<br><br>Face-to-face testing with one or two other candidates and two examiners.<br><br>Students must show their ability speak spontaneously, either by talking to one another, with examiners, or alone. |
| CEFR level       | C1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Format           | Digital or paper                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Number of tests  | 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Overall duration | About 4 hours                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## **C2 – Proficiency (CPE)**

The C2 Proficiency exam is the highest qualification and it certifies a perfect command of English. It is suitable for those interested in pursuing university courses abroad such as masters, research, PhD, postgraduate, or managerial and managerial positions.

### **Goals**

- Fully understand everything read or heard
- Summarise and piece together information from different sources
- Express opinions with precisely and flawlessly even in complex situations

### **Benefits**

- Highest level of Cambridge certification
- Ideal for international careers, research, teaching, executive positions
- It certifies proficiency in English language, close to native-speaker level

## C2 Proficiency exam

| C2 Proficiency                | Exam format                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Reading and<br>Use of English | 1 h 30 min.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Writing                       | 1 h 30 min.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Listening                     | Approximately 40 minutes                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Speaking                      | 16 minutes (per pair of candidates)<br><br>Face-to-face testing with one or two other candidates and two examiners.<br><br>Students must show their ability speak spontaneously, either by talking to one another, with examiners, or alone. |
| CEFR level                    | C2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Format                        | Digital or paper                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Number of tests               | 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Overall duration              | About 4 hours                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |