

ESB C1 TOTAL TIME FOR THE WRITTEN EXAM: 160 MINS (2 HOURS 40 MINS)

LISTENING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

ALL LISTENING ITEMS ARE HEARD TWICE

PART 1	#1 - 10	NO. OF ITEMS	10 questions on two radio interviews [5 questions on each interview]
		ITEM TYPES	three-option multiple choice questions
PART 2	#11 - 20	NO. OF ITEMS	10 questions on three short conversations
		ITEM TYPES	three-option multiple choice questions

READING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

PART 1	#21 -35	TEXT LENGTH	1 text of 500 words max
		NO. OF ITEMS	7 or 8 questions (Total of 15 questions for Reading part 1 & 2 combined)
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
PART 2		TEXT LENGTH	1 text of 500 words max
		NO. OF ITEMS	7 or 8 questions (Total of 15 questions for Reading part 1 & 2 combined)
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions

USE OF ENGLISH [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

PART 1	#36 - 50	NO. OF ITEMS	15 items
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Grammar
PART 2	#51- 65	NO. OF ITEMS	15 items
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Vocabulary
PART 3	#66 - 75	NO. OF ITEMS	10 items on a cloze text
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Vocabulary and Grammar; Collocations; Prefixes and Suffixes; Negatives; Comprehension at sentence and text level.
PART 4	#76 - 85	NO. OF ITEMS	10 items on a cloze text
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Vocabulary and Grammar; Collocations; Prefixes and Suffixes; Negatives; Comprehension at sentence and text level.

WRITING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

		LENGTH	250 - 280 words
		NO. OF ITEMS	one piece of writing from the three subjects given

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			ITEM TYPES	1. an <u>email</u> to someone you don't know, 2. a <u>story</u> , 3. an <u>essay</u> .
			MARKING CRITERIA	Content and Appropriacy; Organisation and Cohesion; Grammar: level-appropriate range and accuracy; Vocabulary: level-appropriate range and accuracy

SPEAKING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]**ALL QUESTIONS FOR ALL PARTS ARE TAKEN FROM THE 20 PREDICTIVE SPEAKING TOPICS**

			LENGTH (TIME)	13 minutes in total. Students in pairs.
			PART ONE	3 minutes: Introductory, personal questions
			PART TWO	5 minutes: Interactive Discussion. Talk together about the topic, using any of the eight prompts given.
			PART THREE	5 minutes: Respond to the examiner's questions on a different topic.
			MARKING CRITERIA	Grammar, Vocabulary, Interactive Ability, Discourse Management, Pronunciation.