## NEW ESB FORMAT FROM DECEMBER 2017 - MAIN CHANGES AT A GLANCE

- ✓ The written papers in **ALL** levels have <u>ONLY</u> multiple choice questions.
- ✓ ALL the speaking exams are the same format.
- ✓ Same 20 predictive speaking topics for ALL levels.

## B1 + B2 LISTENING EXAM – THE SAME FORMAT:

- Part One: 10 short dialogues with 3-option multiple choice questions.
- Part Two: 10 True/False questions on one extended dialogue.

#### B1 Use of English:

- Part Three: cloze text with 10 [A, B, C]multiple choice options
- Part Four: 5 questions with [A, B, C] multiple choice options [see B2, Part 4].

## **B1 Writing:**

• Write one of the following: an **email to someone you know**, a story or an essay.

#### **B2 Use of English**

• ONLY 4 Parts, NO Part Five. Total of 70 questions.

#### B2 Writing:

• Write one of the following: an **email to someone you know**, a story or an essay.

## C1 and C2 USE OF ENGLISH: ONLY multiple choice questions.

• Part three and Part four: cloze text with 10 [A, B, C, D] multiple choice options.

## C1 Writing:

• Write one of the following: an **email to someone you don't know**, a story or an essay.

#### C2 Writing:

• Write one of the following: an **email to someone you don't know**, or one of two essays.

# Speaking Exam:

## B1 [11minutes], B2[11minutes],C1[13minutes],, C2[15minutes]

- Part One: Introductory Questions.
- **Part Two:** Interactive Discussion [based on visual prompts]
- **Part Three:** Responding to questions on a different topic to that covered in Part 2.

There are the same 20 predictive speaking topics for ALL the levels.