



Colchester English Study Centre

# Exam Preparation

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Colchester English Study Centre has offered specialised English courses to students from all over the world since 1969. Students who register on these courses benefit from many years of specialised English training at the highest level.

**Since 1995, Colchester English Study Centre has been an EXAMINATION CENTRE for the following examinations:**

**UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE ESOL EXAMINATIONS:**

These examinations in general English proficiency, organised by the University of Cambridge, are recognised in over 150 countries.

- KET** (Key English Test)
- PET** (Preliminary English Test)
- FCE** (First Certificate in English)
- CAE** (Certificate in Advanced English)
- CPE** (Certificate of Proficiency in English)

**IELTS (International English Language Testing System)**

IELTS is the examination in **Academic** or **General English** required by many universities and colleges of higher education throughout the English-speaking world as proof of a suitable language level. It may also be accepted as a qualification allowing professionals to work in the health sectors of countries where English is used. In addition, it may be required in order to obtain a visa to work in some English-speaking countries.

**IELTS preparation is given all-year round as part of CESC's Academic English programme.**

**BEC (Business English Certificate)**

A University of Cambridge three-level examination designed to assess candidates' capacity to use English in a business context. For those working in international trade and commerce, it is a useful additional, internationally recognised, language qualification.

**In addition, CESC offers preparation, but is not a centre, for the following examinations (exams may be taken in London):**

**TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)**

This examination is required to enter colleges or universities, or to apply for scholarships or exchange programmes, in the United States.

**TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication)**

An examination designed to test candidates' ability to use English in international commercial situations.

Common European Framework Level	Main Suite	IELTS	BEC exams
A1 BREAKTHROUGH	-	-	-
A2 WAYSTAGE	KET	3.0	-
B1 THRESHOLD	PET	3.5-4.5	BEC Preliminary
B2 VANTAGE	FCE	5.0-6.0	BEC Vantage
C1 EFFECTIVE OPERATIONAL PROFICIENCY	CAE	6.5-7.0	BEC Higher
C2 MASTERY	CPE	7.5+	-

*Examinations compared against the Common European Framework (CEF) levels*

