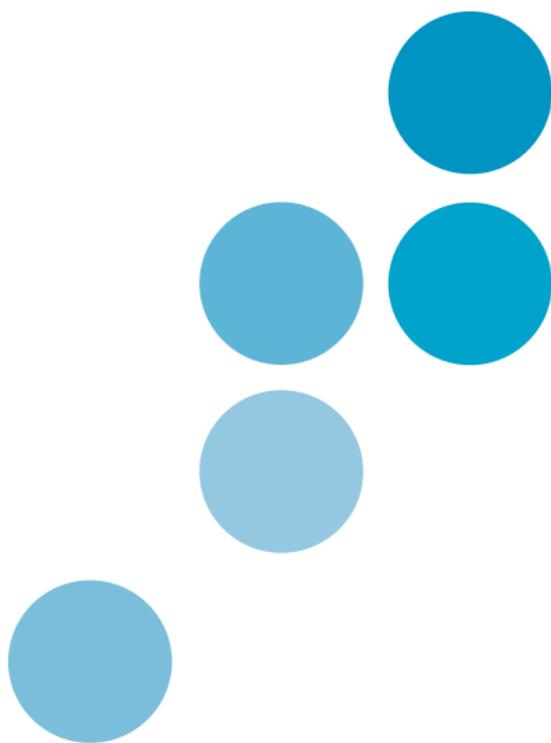




UNIVERSITY *of* CAMBRIDGE  
ESOL Examinations

# Cambridge English Advanced

Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)  
*CEFR Level C1*



*English for high achievers in the  
professional and academic world*

## Internationally accepted

*Cambridge English: Advanced*, also known as *Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)*, is a high-level qualification that is officially recognised by universities, employers and governments globally.

It helps you open doors to international opportunity and fulfil your ambitions.

The following are just a few of the international institutions which accept *Cambridge English: Advanced*.



UK



US



Canada



Australia



Australia



Hong Kong

University of Toronto

Hewlett-Packard (HP)

Sony

University of Oxford

Microsoft

Bosch

King's College London  
(University of London)

KPMG

DHL

IBM

Credit Suisse

ACNielsen

Nokia

## Working and studying in the UK

### UCAS UCAS points

The UK's Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) awards candidates with grade 'A' at *Cambridge English: Advanced* 70 UCAS Tariff points towards their application to UK universities and higher education institutions.

[www.CambridgeESOL.org/UCAS-points](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/UCAS-points)

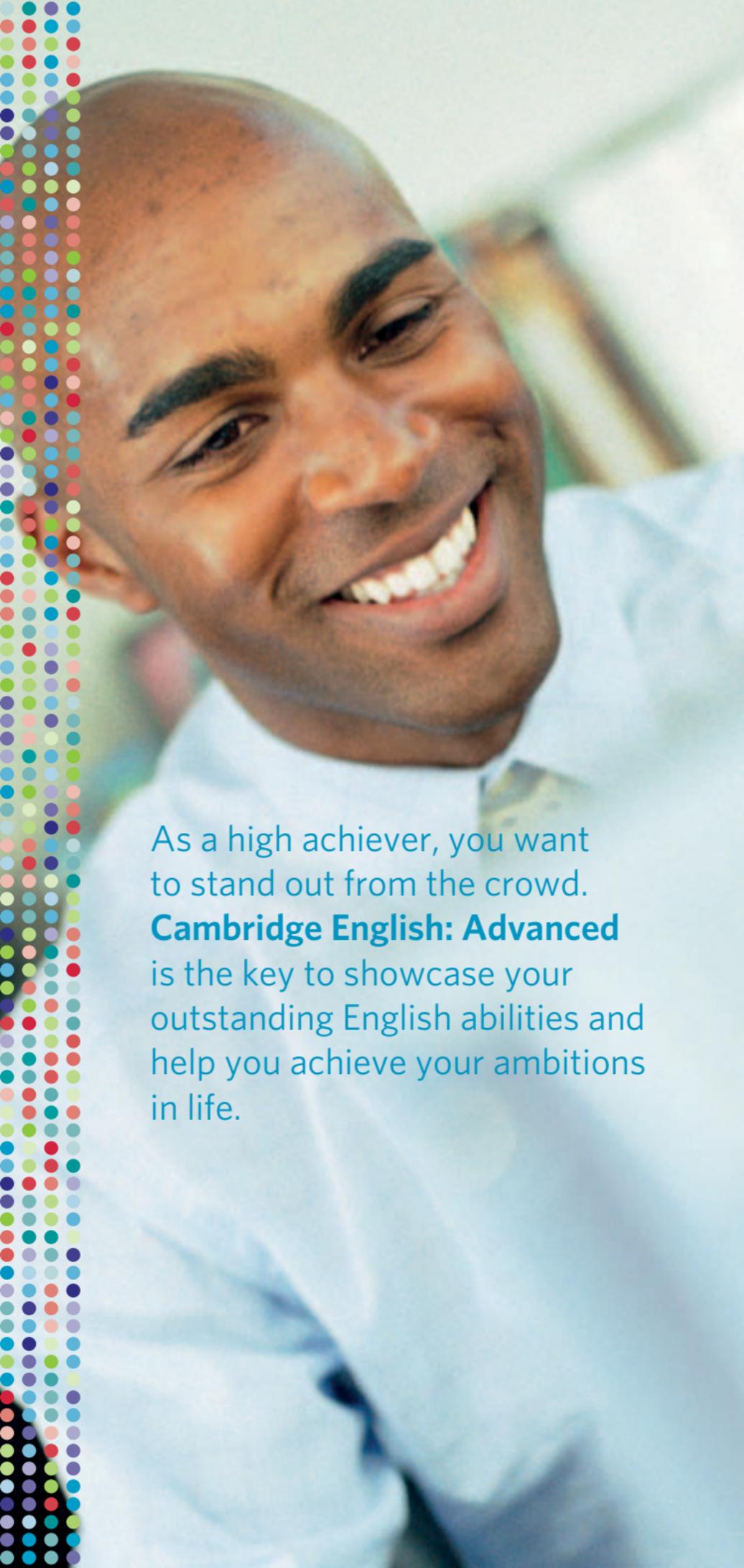
### UKBA

The UK Border Agency accepts *Cambridge English: Advanced* as meeting the language requirements for Tier 1, 2 and 4 visa applications.

### Ofqual

*Cambridge English: Advanced* is accredited by Ofqual, the regulator of qualifications, examinations and assessments in England.

Visit [www.CambridgeESOL.org/UK-immigration](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/UK-immigration) for more details.



As a high achiever, you want to stand out from the crowd. **Cambridge English: Advanced** is the key to showcase your outstanding English abilities and help you achieve your ambitions in life.

# Why take Cambridge English: Advanced?

## Real-life language skills

Preparing for *Cambridge English: Advanced* will give you the practical English skills to:

- follow an academic course at university level
- communicate effectively at managerial and professional level
- participate with confidence in workplace meetings or academic tutorials and seminars
- carry out complex and challenging research
- express yourself with a high level of fluency
- react appropriately in different cultural and social situations.

## Reliable

Backed by the largest research programme of its kind, Cambridge English exams provide the most reliable reflection of your language skills.

## Choice

The *Cambridge English: Advanced* exam is available internationally. Also, with paper-based and computer-based exam options, you can choose when and how you take your exam.

## Fair

Cambridge English exams cover all major varieties of English and are designed to be fair to users of all nationalities and linguistic backgrounds.

## Support

A wealth of materials is available to help you prepare for your exam.

## A Cambridge English qualification

Once you have earned a Cambridge English certificate, you hold one of the most valuable English qualifications in the world.

**[www.CambridgeESOL.org/Advanced](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/Advanced)**

## English for high achievers

*Cambridge English: Advanced* is an in-depth examination at Level C1<sup>1</sup> of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) – the internationally accepted system for describing language ability.

It provides universities and employers with detailed evidence that you have the practical language skills for demanding academic and professional settings.



<sup>1</sup> The C1 level approximates to the level of Bands 7.0 – 8.0 in *IELTS*.

# Your results

## Cambridge English: Advanced – Level C2

Grade A

Exceptional candidates sometimes show ability beyond C1 level. If you achieve a grade A in your exam, you will receive the *Certificate in Advanced English* stating that you demonstrated ability at Level C2.

## Cambridge English: Advanced – Level C1

Grade B or C

If you achieve grade B or C in your exam you will be awarded the *Certificate in Advanced English* at Level C1. Reaching this level reflects your commitment to high standards and your passion for English.

## Level B2 certificate

We believe it is important to recognise your achievement, even if you do not reach Level C1.

If your performance falls within Level B2, you will receive a Cambridge English certificate stating that you demonstrated ability at B2 level.

The Common European Framework of Reference

C Proficient user	C2
	<b>C1</b>
B Independent user	B2
	B1
A Basic user	A2
	A1

Cambridge English:  
Advanced



Level of English needed for most academic purposes



**Cambridge English: Advanced** –  
The English qualification for high  
achievers with a commitment to  
excellence.

# The exam format

*Cambridge English: Advanced* covers all four language skills: Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking, plus a Use of English component which tests knowledge of grammar and vocabulary.

The Speaking test is conducted face-to-face with two examiners and you will take your test with one or two other candidates, making the test more realistic and reliable.

Each of the five papers carries 20% of the total marks.

## **Reading: 1 hour 15 minutes**

Shows you can deal confidently with different types of text.

## **Writing: 1 hour 30 minutes**

Requires you to be able to write a variety of different items such as essays, proposals, reports and reviews.

## **Use of English: 1 hour**

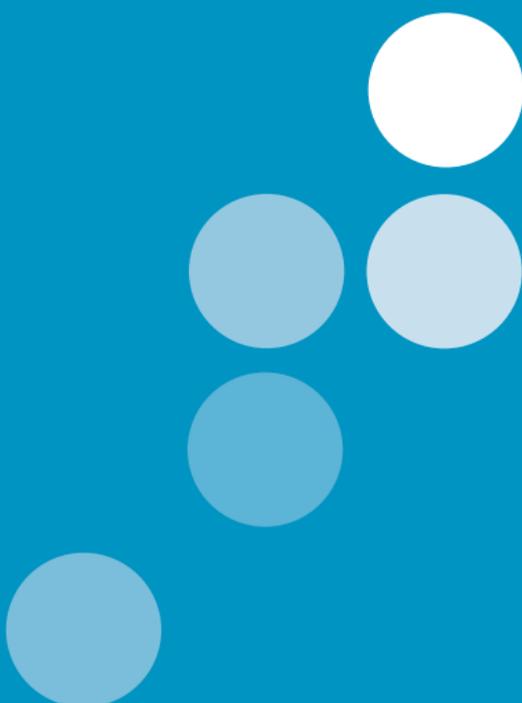
Tests your ability to use the right words, tenses and idioms in the right situation, at the right time.

## **Listening: 40 minutes**

Requires you to be able to follow and understand a range of spoken materials such as lectures, speeches and interviews.

## **Speaking: 15 minutes**

Tests your ability to communicate effectively in face-to-face situations.



## Internationally accessible

Cambridge English exams can be taken at more than 2,500 centres across 130 countries, throughout the year.

## Comprehensive support

To help you prepare effectively and get the most out of your exam experience, a wealth of exam resources are available, including a dedicated website for candidates, handbooks and exam tips. Find out more about the support we offer at

**[www.candidates.CambridgeESOL.org](http://www.candidates.CambridgeESOL.org)**

## Flexible test options

*Cambridge English: Advanced* can be taken either as a standard paper-based exam or as a computer-based test.

### **Why choose a computer-based test?**

- more choice of exam dates – take your exam at a time that suits you
- the same certificate – the exam is the same as the paper-based version
- shorter registration – register for the exam as little as a week before taking it
- faster results – view your exam results faster with a computer-based exam
- easy to use and no extra preparation required.

## The world's most valued English qualifications

Universities and employers that accept Cambridge English exams can instantly check the authenticity of your result online. We are also introducing exam day photos for greater security and to make your certificate even more valued and trusted.

# Join the Cambridge English world

Why not immerse yourself in the Cambridge English community? More than 3 million people from all over the world choose Cambridge English exams each year.



# Next steps to taking Cambridge English: Advanced

## Step 1

Test your level – take our free online test [www.CambridgeESOL.org/testyourenglish](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/testyourenglish) and see if *Cambridge English: Advanced* is the right exam for you.

## Step 2

Find a Cambridge ESOL exam centre near you for information about:

- how to register
- exam dates
- practice materials
- preparation courses.

[www.CambridgeESOL.org/centres](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/centres)

## Step 3

Take the challenge – register for your exam!

A wide range of support and preparation materials are available to help you get the most out of your exam.

[www.candidates.CambridgeESOL.org](http://www.candidates.CambridgeESOL.org)

## Step 4

Pass the exam with flying colours!

Once you have taken *Cambridge English: Advanced*, you are one step closer to achieving your dreams and ambitions.

# Cambridge English

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- An international language including the world's major varieties of English
- English that is understood and used globally for business, study and everyday living
- The English spoken in the real world – not just the classroom
- The most valuable range of English qualifications in the world

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