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ESOL Examinations

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Cambridge ESOL Level 2 Certificate in ESOL International (Legal English)

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Council of Europe Level C1 Pass
in the
International Legal English Certificate

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INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ENGLISH CERTIFICATE (ILEC)

Cambridge ESOL (part of UCLES) provides examinations in English for speakers of other languages.

The International Legal English Certificate is designed to assess English language competence in a legal context. The examination tests Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. ILEC is recognised and used by higher education institutions, law firms and law societies across the world. ILEC assesses English language ability used in a legal context at Council of Europe 'Vantage' Level (B2) and Council of Europe 'Effective Operational Proficiency' Level (C1) for general language proficiency.

Council of Europe Level

C2 ('Mastery' Level)

C1 ('Effective Operational Proficiency' Level)

B2 ('Vantage' Level)

B1 ('Threshold' Level)

A2 ('Waystage' Level)

A1 ('Breakthrough' Level)

For ILEC, there are three passing grades, C1 Pass with Merit, C1 Pass and B2 Pass. The Association of Language Testers in Europe (ALTE) has developed a framework which covers six levels of language proficiency aligned to the Council of Europe Common European Framework of Reference. Long-term research carried out by ALTE has shown what language learners can typically do at each level. The table below gives examples of typical ability in the work domain in each of the skill areas at ILEC B2 and C1 levels.

Typical candidates at C1 level:

Typical abilities	Listening and Speaking	Reading and Writing
	CAN follow discussion with only occasional need for clarification.	CAN understand the general meaning of more complex articles.
	CAN deal with unpredictable questions.	CAN, within a reasonably short time, understand most reports that they are likely to come across.
	CAN argue their case effectively and specify needs precisely.	CAN, given enough time, write a report that communicates the desired message.
	CAN engage in an extended conversation with a visitor on matters within their authority/competence.	CAN write most correspondence they are likely to be asked to do.

Typical candidates at B2 level:

Typical abilities	Listening and Speaking	Reading and Writing
	CAN ask for factual information and understand the answer.	CAN understand the general meaning of non-routine correspondence.
	CAN ask questions, for example for clarification, while following a lecture, talk or presentation.	CAN understand the general meaning of articles and reports, even if the topic is not predictable.
	CAN express own opinion, and present arguments to a limited extent.	CAN write a simple report of a factual nature and begin to evaluate, advise, etc.
	CAN give a simple, prepared presentation on a familiar topic.	CAN write non-routine correspondence where this is restricted to matters of fact.

Further information and examples of the Can-do statements can be found at www.alte.org. Further details of ILEC are given in the ILEC Handbook and at www.LegalEnglishTest.org

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