

## Exam Preparation Courses: TOEFL

### *Test of English as a Foreign Language*

#### Who is the TOEFL exam for?

The Test Of English as Foreign Language (TOEFL) is the most widely accepted English-language test in the world. The TOEFL test measures your ability to communicate in English in colleges and universities. In addition, many government agencies, scholarship programmes, and licensing/certification agencies use TOEFL scores to evaluate English proficiency. In fact, more institutions accept TOEFL test scores than any other test scores in the world — more than 6,000 colleges, universities and licensing agencies in 136 countries to be exact.

#### What is involved in taking the TOEFL exam?

You can do the test on a **computer** (next generation internet-based test (iBT))

The TOEFL iBT test has four sections:

*Reading: 60 – 100 minutes*

3-5 passages, 12-14 questions each

*Listening: 60 – 90 minutes*

4-6 lectures, 6 questions each

2-3 conversations, 5 questions each

*Speaking: 20 minutes*

6 tasks, 2 independent and 2 integrated

*Writing: 50 minutes*

One integrated task and one independent task

An *integrated* task is one where you have to use more than one skill. For example, you **read** about something, **listen** to a lecture, and then **write** about what you have heard and read.

#### How is the TOEFL exam graded?

The iBT (Internet Based Test) is graded out of 120 marks. Please refer to the [Mapping your Level / Grade grid \(www.kli.ie/map\)](#) for a breakdown of the results.

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