

# English Proficiency Test

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## CEFR Framework of proficiency scores:

A1 (Beginner): 0 - 25

A2 (Pre-intermediate): 25 - 50

B1 (Intermediate): 50 - 75

B2 (Upper-Intermediate): 75- 100

C1 (Advanced): 100 -120

C2 (Proficiency): 120 - 138

### General Comprehension

The "General Comprehension" stage in an English proficiency test has the purpose of testing the candidate's ability to understand English in different contexts, such as academic, social or professional.

#### 1. Select the correct option.

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- ☐ a) Work every Monday in home.
- ☒ b) I work every Monday at home. ✓
- ☐ c) Work on Monday in home.
- ☐ d) I work all Monday on home.

**2. Select the correct option.**

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- ☐ a) He like to study with friend his.
- ☐ b) He likes to study with friend his.
- ☒ c) He likes to study with his friend. ✓
- ☐ d) Like like to study with his friend.

**3. Select the correct option.**

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- ☐ a) We study with them week last.
- ☐ b) We studied with them week last
- ☐ c) We studyed with thek last week.
- ☒ d) We studied with them last week. ✓

**4. Type the correct word ex: "close". Do not write the letter: ex "d".**

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Please close ✓ the door when you leave.

- a) open
- b) close
- c) leave

My sister likes to play the piano ✓ in her free time.

- a) job
- b) piano
- c) music

What do ✓ you usually do on weekends?

- a) is
- b) do
- c) are

I read ✓ a book yesterday. It was very interesting.

- a) reading
- b) read
- c) reads

**5. Type the correct word ex: "close". Do not write the letter: ex "d".**

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She might ✓ visit us if she has time.

- a) might
- b) must
- c) can

The museum is a great place to learn about ✓ history.

- a) from
- b) with
- c) about

I can't believe you solved ✓ that difficult puzzle!

- a) solve
- b) solving
- c) solved

We'll meet you at the restaurant between ✓ 7:00 and 7:30.

- a) in
- b) on
- c) between

**6. Type the correct word ex: "close". Do not write the letter: ex "d".**

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The professor's encyclopedic ✓ knowledge of the subject is impressive.

- a) encyclopedic
- b) encyclopedia
- c) encycloping

In Shakespeare's plays, characters often speak in poetic ✓ language.

- a) poetic
- b) poetry
- c) poetics

The scientist conducted a sophisticated ✓ experiment to test the hypothesis.

- a) sophisticate
- b) sophisticated
- c) sophisticating

The lawyer presented a compelling ✓ argument to support her case.

- a) compels
- b) compelling
- c) compulsion

**7. Drag the words to complete the sentences.**

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Buying ✓ a house requires careful planning, research ✓, and decision-making. It's important ✓ to take your time, seek professional advice ✓, and make informed choices throughout the process. With preparation and guidance, you can find a house ✓ that meets your needs and brings you joy and comfort ✓ for years to come.

**8. Drag the correct words to complete the definitions.**

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To come into existence: to become ✓

To clasp in the arms: HUG: to embrace ✓

To give approval: to confirm ✓

To point or proceed in a certain direction: to indicate ✗ (to head)

**9. Drag the correct words to complete the definitions.**

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To get a large quantity of something for later use: to stock up ✓

To permit: to allow ✓

To draw a line through (a name or item on a list): to cross off ✓

To obtain by paying money or its equivalent: to purchase ✓

**10. Drag the correct words to complete the definitions.**

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A. We stayed in a three ✓ -star hotel on the seafront.

B. Everybody has heard of Mel Gibson; he's a world ✓ -famous actor.

C. After six hours on the beach, he had a terribly sun ✓ burnt face.

D. I can't see very clearly. I'm a bit short ✓ -sighted.

E. It wasn't a particularly well ✓ -made tennis racket; it broke soon after I bought it.

## English Listening Comprehension

The "Listening Comprehension" stage in an English proficiency test has the purpose of testing the candidate's ability to understand English in different contexts, such as academic, social or professional.

11. Listen to the entire audio and fill in the gaps in the excerpt below.

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Francisco is a pretty happy child ✓. His mother calls him Chico, but his siblings ✓ call him Fran (which he really hates!). His cousins ✓ are way older and one of them, Joacir, is married. He is a very great guy and his wife ✓ really became a part of the family. Francisco's parents work a lot so he spends most of his time with his grandparents ✓. His grandmother ✓ is an incredibly sweet old lady ✓. She always makes him cookies ✓ and pumpkin pie ✓. She treats guests with friendly respect and they call her Ms. Nice. She doesn't like to be called Mrs. it makes her feel old. Francisco is pretty sure that she existed ✓ in the time of the dinosaurs. She tells him that he is her favorite ✓ grandchild and that his siblings ✓ are a strange group.

## English Reading Comprehension

The "Reading Comprehension" stage in an English proficiency test has the purpose of testing the candidate's ability to read English in different contexts, such as academic, social or professional.

### My First International Trip

Read the text and answer the questions below.



I never thought I would have the money to travel abroad. Even after buying the plane ticket I still can't believe it. This will be the best year ever because I will finally be traveling to Spain, my favorite country in Europe. I asked my friend to help me plan my trip. He sent me this e-mail:

Hey Abigail, how are you? I absolutely love Madrid and I'm very excited to help you!

You have reservations at the Blue Hotel, right? So, just across the street, there is an art gallery with many beautiful exhibitions. Go there in the morning, after breakfast! Be careful when crossing the street, because the traffic is a little crazy! Always use the crosswalk and look at the traffic lights! The yellow light means go for them! Haha!

After that, next to your hotel there is a famous park called Retiro. It's an amazing park. Simply turn left and go straight on, you'll find it easily.

I recommend paella for lunch. It's a famous Spanish dish made with rice, seafood, and many spices. The best one in town is located downtown, at the end of the main street on your right. The price is good and the food is fantastic.

The great thing about Madrid is that you don't need to go to many places to appreciate the city; Spanish people have amazing energy and the streets and buildings are something else!

The next day, I recommend going to the Royal Palace, built in 1735, which is the biggest palace in all of

Europe. It's easy to get there, no tunnels or intersections. There is a boulevard in front of the palace, just before the garden. There are some nice stores with souvenirs there. After that, you'll have lunch at Plaza Mayor, one of the most famous squares in Spain. Around the corner, just 4 minutes on foot, you'll see a market, it's called Mercado de San Miguel, where you'll find great spices, pork, cheese, and wine!

If you like nightclubs, there is a great one near your hotel across the street after the walkway.

I know you only have 2 days in Madrid, but try to go to Puerta de Alcalá, it's an amazing monument right in the middle of an intersection. Tourists usually take pictures there! Go to the nearest subway station from your hotel and get off at the Alcalá station. It's very close, don't worry!

You'll need a tour guide to help you with the other cities because I only know Madrid! I hope you have an amazing time there! See you soon!

Best Regards,

Thomas Hickson

**12. Where will Abigail be traveling to?**

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- ☐ a) Paris
- ☒ b) Spain ✓
- ☐ c) Italy

**13. What kind of dish does the friend recommend for lunch?**

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- ☐ a) Pizza
- ☒ b) Paella ✓
- ☐ c) Sushi

**14. What is the name of the hotel where Abigail has reservations?**

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- ☐ a) Red Hotel
- ☒ b) Blue Hotel ✓
- ☐ c) Green Hotel

**15. How does the friend describe the energy of Spanish people?**

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- ☒ a) Amazing ✓
- ☐ b) Boring
- ☐ c) Quiet

**16. What is the recommendation for getting to the Royal Palace?**

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- ☐ a) Take a bus
- ☐ b) Use the subway station at Plaza Mayor
- ☒ c) No need for tunnels or intersections ✓

17. Where is the recommended nightclub located?

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- a) Across the street from the hotel ✓
- b) Next to the Royal Palace
- c) Near the airport

18. What advice is given about crossing the street in Madrid?

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- a) Traffic lights don't matter
- b) Use the crosswalk and obey traffic lights ✓
- c) Close your eyes and run across

## What Does Working Abroad Do For You?



By Robin Moriarty

From a life perspective, spending time abroad is transformative. And anyone who has lived abroad (or knows someone who has returned home after an experience away) knows how profound it can be. I've lived on four continents and traveled to 60+ countries, and each time I'm away, I learn something about another culture, I learn something about my own culture, and I learn something about myself. It's a never-ending process of observing, learning, reflecting, growing and changing.

Although it's not addressed in the study, I have seen and experienced that living and working abroad can be transformative from a professional perspective, too. Professional development can skyrocket for people who spend time in a new culture if they are open to the new experiences and challenges that are an inherent part of spending time away from home. Given the quantity and variety of new experiences that one will encounter, grapple with, and have to figure out how to resolve has led me to assert that living and working abroad for two years is like living and working in the U.S. for five years simply because the number of situations you have to figure out is exponential. The experience is life-altering, and the development is intense.

Just think about it. When you are in your home culture, there are a million things that happen every day that you don't even think about. You are on auto-pilot when it comes to how to order and pay for your coffee, how a work meeting is run, which language you'll speak in that meeting, how to get a doctor's appointment, how to pay your bills, which route to take to work, what is appropriate attire for an occasion, where/how/when to buy your groceries, how to turn on your stove, how to get hot water in your shower, which way to look when you cross the street, how to get your laundry done, and many other seemingly trivial activities.

When living abroad, you cannot be on auto-pilot. There are language barriers and how-things-get-done-differently-here barriers that require you to pay attention to even the most minute details of routine life. As a result, skills of observation and levels of awareness go up dramatically. And you gain an innate understanding that there's more than one way to accomplish any objective, big or small. These skills obviously are brought into your professional life as well, so your abilities to step back, observe, assess a situation, get creative about choices for your approach, and move forward are constantly developed, refined, and honed.

So if you're looking for a boost to your professional development and have the willingness and ability to put yourself into a situation that will challenge you in new ways, living and working abroad might be for you. It will likely result in the development of a clearer sense of self as well as professional growth that comes with self-awareness, reflection, humility, resilience, persistence, flexibility, creativity, and adaptability. It's not necessarily an easy path, but it is a transformative one! Source: forbes.com

### 19. Drag in the words to complete the paragraph below

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This process of professional development ✓ doesn't always happen smoothly ✓, and that should be considered a part of the experience. The learnings often happen with ups and downs ✓, including phases ✓ of elation and humility ✕ (frustration), of happiness and depression, of confidence and frustration ✕ (humility), of exhaustion and excitement, of boredom and overstimulation, and of culture clashes ✓ and nice cultural surprises. Having the tenacity to continue to push forward requires high levels of persistence, resilience ✓, adaptability, and flexibility - all qualities, by the way, that we want in our leaders!

### 20. What does the author mean when he says: "Working abroad for two years is like living and working in the U.S. for five years."

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- ☐ a) The experience is life-altering, and the development is intense.
- ☐ b) Time passes faster when you are traveling.
- ☒ c) It's difficult to keep up with everything that is happening back home when you are working abroad. ✕
- ☐ d) Because you are in auto-pilot, you don't see time pass.

### 21. What does the author mean when he says: "It will likely result in the development of a clearer sense of self as well as professional growth"

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- ☐ a) Working abroad will develop more and more in professional environments.
- ☐ b) Working abroad will result in internal peace with yourself and coworkers.
- ☐ c) Working abroad will help you do your job better and improve your family life.
- ☒ d) Working abroad will help you understand yourself better and improve professionally. ✓

## English Writing

The "Writing" stage in an English proficiency test has the purpose of testing the candidate's ability to write and express themselves in English in different contexts, such as academic, social or professional.

### 22. Describe your experience (if any) learning English. Why is English proficiency important to you? (Answer in English)

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So far, my experience learning English has been very interesting, it has opened a lot of opportunities in different areas of my life, be it personal and professional. What I enjoy the most is to be able to make new friends, read books that sometimes don't have a translation for Portuguese and also to watch movies without subtitles!

The importance of proficiency in English for me is most linked to the professional world, since international opportunities may arise and even land better positions in companies in my home country (Brazil).

### 23.

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Read the description below the image then write a full answer to the question. (150-200 words)



***"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"***

**The quote above is engraved on a plaque at the bottom of the Statue of Liberty. In your own words, what does it mean and how does it relate to the way we see immigration today?**

In a not so distant past, the phrase above illustrated very well the immigration flows from different parts of the world to the U.S., people in search of better economic conditions, better opportunities for them and their families, of which I'll use the example of Italian immigration to the states of New York and New Jersey from the early 1900s and mid 1950s, where the people from (mostly) the southern part of Italy took boats to get to these regions of America.

However, in today's world, we may see a very different view on immigrants, not only in the U.S., but in other regions of the planet. We have people from Latin America immigrating to the U.S. (be it legally or not), Venezuelans leaving their home country for Brazil and other South American countries due to economic problems and Ukrainians escaping the war for other European countries such as Germany and Poland.

Unfortunately, with modern politics being so very polarized, people are very divided when it comes to the topic of immigration, which sometimes is far away from what the Statue of Liberty symbolizes, and a social problem that arose from the mass migrations in different nations is xenophobia towards certain immigrant groups, which also occurred in the period mentioned in the first paragraph, but not so intensely as to divide families on the topic as sadly happens today.

If the statue were to have a conscience, she certainly would be very disappointed towards our modern society.

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