

Table of comparisons between Trinity College London ESOL examinations and other major ESOL examination benchmarks

Common European Framework (CEFR)	National Qualifications Framework (NQF)	Trinity Integrated Skills in English examinations (ISE) ¹ Reading, Writing, Speaking & Listening	Trinity Graded Examinations in Spoken English (GESE) ¹ Speaking & Listening	IELTS scores ²	TOEFL iBT scores ³	Cambridge ESOL Examinations ¹
n/a			Grade 1			
A1	Entry 1		Grade 2			
A2	Entry 2	ISE 0	Grade 3 Grade 4	3.0		KET
B1	Entry 3	ISE I	Grade 5 Grade 6	4.0	57 - 86	PET BEC Preliminary
B2	Level 1	ISE II ⁴	Grade 7 ⁴ Grade 8 ⁴ Grade 9 ⁴	5.0	87 - 109	FCE BEC Vantage
C1	Level 2	ISE III ⁴	Grade 10 ⁴ Grade 11 ⁴	6.0	110 - 120	CAE BEC Higher
C2	Level 3	ISE IV ⁴	Grade 12 ⁴	7.0 8.0		CPE

1 Source: QCA 2008 (www.accreditedqualifications.org.uk)

2 Source: IELTS (http://www.ielts.org/teachers_and_researchers/common_european_framework.aspx)

3 Source: ETS (http://www.europe.etsi.org/uploads/tx_etsfreeresources/Executive_summary_EU__LOW_RES__02.pdf)

4 UCAS lists these Trinity qualifications as evidence of proficiency in English appropriate for entry to UK Higher Education. Source: UCAS (www.ucas.com/studyuk/englang.html)

Trinity has drawn upon the most highly regarded and up-to-date sources to produce the comparisons above. The main purpose of the table is to illustrate the relationship between Trinity examinations and other tests and levels. The table does not constitute claims of exact equivalences between the different tests.