



## TEST OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (TOEFL)

### **Introduction:**

If you are planning to study in the US, Canada, Europe, and a few schools in UK, then you are required to take the TOEFL exam compulsorily. The purpose of the TOEFL exam is to evaluate English proficiency of students whose native language is not English

**The Test of English as a Foreign Language™ - TOEFL** measures the ability of nonnative speakers of English to use and understand English as it is spoken, written, and heard in college and university settings.

### **The Internet-based TOEFL Test**

The TOEFL Internet-based test all four language skills that are important for effective communication: speaking, listening, reading, and writing. The test helps students demonstrate that they have the English skills needed for success. TOEFL also emphasizes integrated skills and provides better information to institutions about students' ability to communicate in an academic setting and their readiness for academic coursework.

TOEFL is conducted by:

The Educational Testing Service (ETS) conduct the test. In India the test is administered by

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### **The Computer-based TOEFL Test**

The computer-based TOEFL test measures English language proficiency in the following areas:

- Listening

- Structure
- Reading
- Writing.

### **Test structure:**

Sections Computer Adaptive No of questions Time Time Given to attempt the questions

Listening Yes 30 to 50  
15 to 25 min (does not include listening time)

Structure Yes 20 to 25  
15 to 20 min

Mandatory break 5 mins

Reading No 44 to 55 70 to 90 min (includes time spent on reading the passage)

Writing No One Essay 30 min

All questions are multiple choice having four answer options, you are required to choose the correct option. In case of essay, the topic will be randomly assigned from a large pool of topics. It can be any topic.

### **Test Scores:**

The score for Structure and Writing is combined. On the test day you will get a score range since the essay would not have been rated.

Listening	Structure + Writing	Reading	Total
0 to 30	0 to 30	0 to 30	0 to 300

The Essay Score: The scores of the structure section are combined with the essay ratings. The ratings of the essay will be 6.0, 5.5, 5.0, 4.5, 4.0, 3.5, 3.0, 2.5, 2.0, 1.5 and 1.0.

### **Eligibility:**

Nonnative English speakers at the 11th-grade level or above should take the TOEFL test to provide evidence of their English proficiency before beginning academic work. The test content is considered too difficult for students below 11th grade.

Many institutions report that they frequently do not require TOEFL test scores of certain kinds of international applicants. These include:

- Nonnative speakers who hold degrees or diplomas from postsecondary institutions in English-speaking countries (e.g.,

- the United States, Canada, England, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand)
- Nonnative speakers who have successfully completed at least a two-year course of study in which English was the language of instruction
  - Transfer students from institutions in the United States or Canada whose academic course work was favorably evaluated in relation to its demands and duration.
  - Nonnative speakers who have taken the TOEFL test within the past two years
  - Nonnative speakers who have successfully pursued academic work at schools where English was the language of instruction in an English-speaking country for a specified period, generally two years.
  - Students should contact their prospective institutions directly concerning their specific admission requirements.

**TEST CENTERS:**

The TOEFL test is offered in 180 countries around the world at

- institutional locations, such as colleges and universities

In areas where access to computer-based testing or Internet-based testing is limited, a paper-based version of the test is administered on specific dates. The paper-based TOEFL test is generally offered at institutional locations such as colleges and universities.