

Description of the EU

Sunderland English Language Test

The following test is an internal English Language test with the purpose to assess the English level of applicants of the University of Sunderland.

To complete the SELT, all examinees must follow the steps from 1 to 6. This happens automatically at a sequence, without the ability to go back at a previous component. Once each part is submitted, it gets an automatic score.

The total duration of the test is 160 minutes.

Usually examinees complete the test in less than 120 minutes. However, the invigilators could allow the examinees a short break between each component.

The test adds to a maximum total of 200 points. The total number of points achieved will then be divided by 2 thus creating the percentage score achieved for the test.

The test is divided in 6 components. Those components are the following:

- **Speaking**
- **Listening**
- **Knowledge of Grammar**
- **Vocabulary skills**
- **Reading**
- **Writing**

Step 1: Speaking, (ie. The interview): This is the first part of the test. The applicant will have an interview with an academic tutor via skype, or face to face, of around 20 minutes duration.

(Max score: 35 points)

Step 2: Listening: This listening includes 20 questions. The examiner will ask the question and the applicant must choose an answer. The duration of this part is 15 minutes and each question counts for one point.

(Max score: 20 points)

Step 3: Knowledge of Grammar: This includes 60 questions/statements. The duration of this component is 45 minutes and each correct answer counts for one point.

(Max score: 60 points)

Step 4: Vocabulary Skills: This component includes 30 questions/statements. The duration of this part is 25 minutes and each correct answer counts for one point.

(Max score: 30 points)

Step 5: Reading: This includes 2 sections. Section 1 includes 16 statements. You must read carefully and complete each sentence. For section 2 you must read the article and answer the following 4 questions. The duration of this part is 30 minutes and each correct answer counts for one point.

(Max score: 20 points)

Step 6: Writing: The component of writing has 3 topics and the applicant must choose one to write an essay of 200/250 words. The duration of this part is 30 minutes.

(Max score: 35 points)

To start the test, registration is required. Please see screen below:

E.U. Test Center S.E.L.T.

The screenshot shows a registration form with a blue header containing navigation links: Guidelines, Registration, SPEAKING (PART 1), LISTENING (PART 2), GRAMMAR (PART 3), VOCABULARY (PART 4), READING (PART 5), WRITING (PART 6), and TOTAL SCORE. The main content area is white with a blue border. It starts with a 'WELCOME' message and a warning icon. Below this, it says 'BEFORE START THE EXAMINATION, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FIELDS'. There are four input fields, each with a label and a green underline: 'First Name' with 'test', 'Last Name' with 'test', 'Email Address' with 'test@test.com', and 'Application Number' with '1234567890'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'SUBMIT' and 'NEXT'.

Once registration is complete, then the examinee can start the test.

TOTAL SCORE:

Once completing all parts of the test, the next step is an opportunity to see the scores achieved, at LISTENING, GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY & READING.

See below the relevant TOTAL SCORE screen:

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Guidelines Registration SPEAKING LISTENING GRAMMAR VOCABULARY READING WRITING TOTAL SCORE

① THANK YOU

THANK YOU FOR YOUR EMPOWERMENT IN THE EXAMINATIONS

Listening Score:
6.00

Grammar Score:
16.00

Vocabulary Score:
5.00

Reading Score:
4.00

Writing Score:
0

Speaking Score:
0

YOUR TOTAL SCORE:
15.50

SUBMIT NEXT

Then once the SPEAKING AND WRITING scores have been inserted by the respective examiners, the final TOTAL SCORE will be issued to the student and the University.

SELT -> IELTS

Finally, please see below the Equivalent scores between SELT and IELTS.

EQUIVALENT SCORE "SELT – IELTS"		
SELT SCORE	IELTS BAND SCORE	ACCESS TO PROGRAMMES
90%	9	ACCESS TO IFY/UG/PG
85%	8.5	ACCESS TO IFY/UG/PG
80%	8	ACCESS TO IFY/UG/PG
75%	7.5	ACCESS TO IFY/UG/PG
70%	7	ACCESS TO IFY/UG/PG
65%	6.5	ACCESS TO IFY/UG/PG
60%	6	ACCESS TO IFY/UG/PG
55%	5.5	ACCESS TO EAP D
50%	5	ACCESS TO EAP C
45%	4.5	ACCESS TO EAP B
40%	4	ACCESS TO EAP A