A2 Key

A *Key* qualification is proof of your ability to use English to communicate in simple situations.
It should give you the confidence to go on and study for higher-level exams such as Preliminary and First.

It is CEFR Level A2 (What is this?)

Exam Format

Key is made up of three papers developed to test your English skills: **Reading and Writing** (1 hour 10 minutes), **Listening** (30 minutes, including 8 minutes' transfer time), **Speaking** (8–10 minutes per pair of candidates).

Preparation

You can find many free resources to help you prepare for the exam. Download our free sample papers to prepare the reading, the listening and the writing part. All answers will be provided.

Prepare now

Additional practice

Exam Dates

There are many exam dates throughout the year offering both paper-based and computer-based exams *Key*.

Find exam dates

Results

Key results are reported on the Cambridge English Scale.

You will receive a separate score for each skill, giving you a clear understanding of your performance.

These scores are averaged to give you an overall result for the exam. You will also be given a grade and Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) level.

Sample ***Key*** Statement of Results