



# Preliminary English Test and Preliminary English Test for Schools

## Understanding your Statement of Results and Certificate

Your Statement of Results gives you three pieces of information:

**1. Your result:** This is the most important piece of information. There are four possible results for this examination:

- **Pass with Merit**
- **Pass**
- **Council of Europe Level A2** - *if you did not achieve a 'pass' but demonstrated ability at the level below this*
- **Fail**

Candidates receiving a Pass with Merit, a Pass or Council of Europe Level A2 will receive a certificate.

Or you could have one of these on your statement of results:

- X** – *you were absent from part of the exam*
- Z** – *you were absent from the whole of the exam*

**Pending** – *your result is not ready yet*

**Withheld** – *you need to contact your centre*

**2. Your score:** This is your score for the whole exam. You can see whether your score is near the top of the grade, in the middle or near the bottom. Your score is shown as a number between 0 and 100, which is converted from the total number of marks available in the exam. It is converted so that the score you need for each grade is the same every time the exam is taken. This is called a standardised score. Your score will not be shown on your certificate.

**3. Your candidate profile:** This shows you how you performed on each of the papers in the exam. For each paper it shows how you performed compared to the standard of all the other candidates taking that paper at the same time. If you did not get the grade you wanted, it will help you to decide which skills you need to improve.

NB: the bands on the Candidate Profile do not correspond to grades.

**Statement of Results**  
ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

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Reference No. 09CCA0065002	Candidate Name A. N. EXAMPLE
To be quoted on all correspondence	Place of Entry CAMBRIDGE

Qualification <b>PRELIMINARY ENGLISH TEST</b>	Score <b>54/100</b>	Result <b>COUNCIL OF EUROPE LEVEL A2</b>
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**Candidate Profile**

Exceptional
Good
Borderline
Weak

Reading      Writing      Listening      Speaking

The Preliminary English Test (PET) is a general proficiency examination at Council of Europe Level B1 in the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR). It is at Entry Level 3 in the UK National Qualifications Framework (NQF).

CEFR Level	NQF Level	Examination	Grades	Score
C2	3	Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)	Pass with Merit	85 to 100
C1	2	Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)	Pass	70 to 84
B2	1	First Certificate in English (FCE)	Level A2	45 to 69
B1	Entry 3	Preliminary English Test (PET)	Fail	0 to 44
A2	Entry 2	Key English Test (KET)		
A1	Entry 1			

**Interpretation of overall grades**  
**Pass** covers the range of ability from a borderline pass to good achievement at the level. **Pass with Merit** indicates strong performance at the level. **Level A2** covers the range of ability between weak and borderline.  
 The total number of marks available in the examination is 100. Marks are converted to a standardised score.

**Other**  
**X** – the candidate was absent from part of the examination  
**Z** – the candidate was absent from all parts of the examination  
**Pending** – a result cannot be issued at present, but will follow in due course  
**Withheld** – the candidate should contact their centre for information

THIS IS NOT A CERTIFICATE

Cambridge ESOL reserves the right to amend the information given before the issue of certificates to successful candidates.

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### For your information

*There are no pass or fail levels in individual papers. Your marks for each paper are added together to calculate your grade for the whole examination.*

## The Common European Framework of Reference

The Preliminary English Test is at level B1 of the *The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: Learning, Teaching, Assessment* – a system for describing what learners can do in a foreign language at each of six levels, from A1 (the lowest) to C2 (the highest). Cambridge ESOL's exams are linked to this Framework, which means that when employers, schools, universities and other institutions look at your certificate or statement of results, they can find out whether your English is at the appropriate level for them. You can see the Framework at [www.CambridgeESOL.org/cefr](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/cefr) (in English). It has been published in more than 30 languages, and includes Can Do statements explaining the kinds of things learners can do at each of the levels.

## Your Certificate

- Certificates are awarded to candidates receiving a Pass with Merit, a Pass, or Council of Europe Level A2.
- Candidates who have passed PET receive a Pass with Merit or a Pass grade.
- Candidates who have not achieved a passing grade, but have demonstrated ability at the level below this, are awarded a certificate stating Council of Europe Level A2.

On the back of your certificate you will find additional information about the exam you have taken and Can Do Statements for Council of Europe Levels B1 and A2.

*Please note the statement of results and certificate for PET and PET for Schools are the same.*

