



Duolingo English Test

An iTEP Academic Comparison Chart

	iTEP Academic-Plus	Duolingo English Test
Total Exam Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 90 minutes (all five sections) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 to 25 minutes
Skills Assessed	<p>Listening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 1 - Four short conversations each followed by one multiple-choice question. Part 2 - One 2-3 minute conversation, followed by four multiple-choice questions. Part 3 - One 4-minute lecture, followed by six multiple-choice questions. <p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 1 - One passage of approx. 250 words followed by four multiple-choice questions. Part 2 - One paragraph of approx. 450 words followed by six multiple-choice questions. <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 1 - 5-minute, 50-75 word note on an informal topic Part 2 - 20-minute, 175-225 word essay on a formal topic. <p>Speaking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 1 - 45-second spoken response on an informal topic Part 2 - 60-second response to a formal statement presenting two sides of an issue. 	<p>Listening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test-takers are asked to choose the English sounding word out of a series of words. Dictation of short sentences. <p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No extended reading passages or comprehension questions. <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two tasks require test-takers to write 1-2 sentences describing a provided picture. <p>Speaking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4-5 open-ended responses to informal questions.
Target Age	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University level students 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General English-language learners
Price	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$119 (global retail price for applicants); significant institutional discounts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$50
Difficulty Level Tested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginner to advanced 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer-adaptive testing

Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evaluate students' English ability for college and university admission purposes ▪ Place students in English language programs ▪ Perform pre- and post-course assessment ▪ Qualify candidates for scholarships and exchange program acceptance ▪ Evaluate language proficiency for placement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evaluate students' English ability for college and university admission purposes ▪ Evaluate language proficiency for placement and hiring (businesses and organizations)
Delivery Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Internet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Internet
Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tests can only be administered at secured iTEP Certified Test Centers ▪ Certified administrators on-site; ensure that photo IDs match each test-takers ▪ Item bank feature ensures that no test is replicated, and that test items are secure by streaming the content live during the exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tests reviewed by remote proctors using webcams and microphones
Grading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Multiple-choice sections (grammar, listening, reading) are evaluated by iTEP Grader Software ▪ Writing and speaking sections evaluated by iTEP graders- native English speaking ESL trained professionals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Computer graded
Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Overall score ranges from 0 to 6, with .1 level increments, as well as individual section scores, based on standardized rubric 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Scores are reported on a 100-point scale
Scheduling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On-demand scheduling within 3 days of contacting a Certified iTEP Test Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On-demand testing via web or mobile device
Results Delivery Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Results returned within 24 hours 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Results returned within 48 hours
Additional iTEP Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ iTEP partners can utilize their premises to become iTEP test centers and administer the exam on-site 	