



CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH: ADVANCED (CAE) – EXAM STRUCTURE UNTIL 2014

Reading 75 mins	Part 1	Multiple choice 6 questions 3 short texts, each with 2 multiple-choice questions
	Part 2	Gapped Text 6 questions 1 long text with 6 missing paragraphs
	Part 3	Multiple choice 7 questions 1 long text with 7 multiple-choice questions
	Part 4	Sentence completion 8 questions 1 long extract (one speaker) with 8 gapped sentences to be completed
Paper 2 Writing 90 mins	Part 1	Article/Letter/Proposal/Report One compulsory question Output: 180–220 words
	Part 2	Article/Character reference/Competition entry/Essay/Information sheet/Letter/Proposal/Report/Review One task to be chosen from five options Output: 220–260 words
Use of English 60 mins	Part 1	Multiple-choice cloze 12 questions 1 text with 12 gaps: choice of 4 options for each gap
	Part 2	Open cloze 15 questions 1 text with 15 gaps: each gap to be completed with 1 word
	Part 3	Word formation 10 questions 1 text with 10 gaps: each gap is completed with the correct form of a given word
	Part 4	Gapped Sentences 5 questions 5 sets of 3 gapped sentences; each set to be completed with the same word
	Part 5	Key word transformation 8 questions 8 gapped sentences which must be completed using a given word
Listening approx. 40 mins	Part 1	Multiple choice 6 questions 3 short extracts with 2 multiple-choice questions for each extract
	Part 2	Sentence completion 8 questions 1 long extract (one speaker) with 8 gapped sentences to be completed
	Part 3	Multiple choice 6 questions 1 long extract (two or more speakers) with 6 multiple-choice questions
	Part 4	Multiple matching 10 questions 5 short themed extracts with 10 multiple-matching questions



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Speaking 15 mins	Part 1	Social interaction (3 minutes) Candidates give personal information in response to interlocutor's questions
	Part 2	Long turn (4 minutes) Candidates speak individually about 2 pictures and comments on the other candidate's pictures
	Part 3	Collaborative task (4 minutes) Candidates use visual and/or written material to speak to each other and complete a problem-solving task
	Part 4	Further discussion (4 minutes) The interlocutor leads a discussion related to the topic of Part 3