

Curriculum First Certificate in English (FCE) B2

Overview:

The First Certificate is recognised as an international accreditation for academic, commercial and industrial purposes.

Objectives:

To prepare students at B2 level in acquiring all of the language skills required to show they can:

- Start working in an English-speaking environment
- Study at an upper-intermediate level
- Live independently in an English-speaking country, for example participating in the Erasmus programme.

Preparation for the B2 First Certificate exam is targeted at Level B2 on the CEFR (Common European Framework in Language skills). Achieving a certificate at this upper-intermediate level proves that a candidate is becoming skilled in English and now has practical language skills for everyday written and spoken situations.

Preparation time of between 12 to 18 months, depending on language and exam skills.

Language Objectives:

- Passive voice structures
- Sentence transformations
- Word formation e.g. suffixes/prefixes
- Perfect continuous tenses
- Non clauses and verb patterns.

Communication Objectives:

- Organise coherent and cohesive texts in both speaking and writing to communicate effectively.
- To develop the awareness and purpose of register e.g. informal and formal letters and understanding.
- To explore a wide range of vocabulary to include less common expressions.
- To write relevant and appropriate content in response to specific tasks.

Materials:

- Cambridge Student's book

Exam information:

- Full name: First Certificate in English
- Examination Board: Cambridge English Language Assessment
- Language: British English
- CEFR: Level: B2
- Official Certification: Diploma issued by University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.