

## English level B1

### At this level you can understand:

- Main points on common topics at work, school, or traveling.
- General and specific details given clear speech
- Factual texts on subjects of interest

### Intermediate

English level B1 is the third level of English in the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR), a definition of different language levels written by the Council of Europe. In everyday speech, this level would be called "intermediate", and indeed, that is the official level descriptor in the CEFR.

### Converting from one English level to another

Although it is notoriously hard to map one leveling system to another, the table below gives you a good approximation. If you've taken one of these tests, this table gives you an idea what type of score you might be able to get on another one.

CEFR	EF SET	TOEFL iBT	IELTS	TOEIC (R&L) Total Score	Cambridge English Scale	Global Scale of English
<b>B1 Intermediate</b>	41 - 50	42 - 71	4.0 - 5.0	550 - 780	140 - 159	43 - 58
<b>B2 Upper Intermediate</b>	51 - 60	72 - 94	5.5 - 6.0	785 - 940	160 - 179	59 - 75
<b>C1 Advanced</b>	61 - 70	95 - 120	6.5 - 7.5	945 - 990	198 - 199	76 - 84
<b>C2 proficient</b>	71 - 100	n/a	8.0 - 9.0	n/a	200 - 230	85 - 90

### Why it's important to know your English level

The English level system you use to describe your English skills is usually imposed on you from the outside. An employer, a school, a teacher, or an immigration authority asks you to take a particular English test, so you do, and then you describe your English level using that test's system. Depending on your goals and location, you are likely to be more familiar with one system of English levels than another. For example, if you're applying to university in the USA, you probably know what a TOEFL score of 100 means, whereas if you're trying to get a visa to move to the UK, you're more likely to be familiar with the CEFR level B1.