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## EXAM PRACTICE CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH KEY FOR SCHOOLS

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COURSE LEVEL	CEFR	GSE	PTE GENERAL	CAMBRIDGE
Wider World 0	<A1/A1	10-25	Level A1	
Wider World 1	A1/A2	22-34		
Wider World 2	A2/A2+	32-42	Level 1	Key for Schools
Wider World 3	A2+/B1	40-50	Level 2	Preliminary for Schools
Wider World 4	B1/B1+	45-55		

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# Exam Overview

The **Cambridge English: Key for Schools** exam, also known as the **Key English Test (KET) for Schools** is an examination set at **A2 level** of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). It is made up of **three papers**, each testing a different area of ability in English: Reading and Writing, Listening, and Speaking. Reading and Writing carry 50% of the marks; Listening and Speaking carry 25% of the marks each.

Reading and Writing	1 hour 10 minutes
Listening	30 minutes (approximately)
Speaking	8–10 minutes (for each pair of students)

All the examination questions are task-based. Rubrics (instructions) are important and should be read carefully. They set the context and give important information about the tasks. There is a separate answer sheet for recording answers for the Reading and Writing paper.

Paper	Format	Task focus
<b>Reading and Writing</b> Nine tasks 56 questions	<b>Part 1: matching.</b> Matching five sentences to eight notices, plus one example.	<b>Part 1:</b> reading short texts for the main message.
	<b>Part 2: three-option multiple choice sentences.</b> Reading five sentences on a related topic and selecting the correct answer.	<b>Part 2:</b> reading and identifying appropriate vocabulary
	<b>Part 3: three-option multiple choice and matching.</b> Five multiple-choice items. Five matching items in a dialogue, selecting from eight possible responses.	<b>Part 3:</b> functional language. Identifying an appropriate response.
	<b>Part 4: right/wrong/doesn't say or three-option multiple choice.</b> Seven items on one long text or three short texts.	<b>Part 4:</b> reading for detailed understanding and main idea.
	<b>Part 5: three-option multiple choice cloze.</b> Reading a text with eight gaps and selecting the correct word to complete each gap.	<b>Part 5:</b> reading and identifying appropriate structural words.
	<b>Part 6: word completion.</b> Five words to complete, using a definition.	<b>Part 6:</b> identifying appropriate item and spelling.
	<b>Part 7: open cloze.</b> Short text with ten gaps. Completing the text with one word in each gap.	<b>Part 7:</b> reading and identifying appropriate words.
	<b>Part 8: information transfer.</b> Two short texts to prompt completion of a third text with five gaps. Completing the text with words or numbers.	<b>Part 8:</b> reading with focus on content and accuracy.
	<b>Part 9: guided writing.</b> Short text or rubric to prompt written response. Three messages to communicate.	<b>Part 9:</b> Writing a short note, email or postcard of 25–35 words.

Paper	Format	Task focus
<b>Listening</b> Five tasks 25 questions	<b>Part 1: three-option multiple choice.</b> Listening to five short dialogues and choosing the correct picture for each answer.	<b>Part 1:</b> listening to identify key information.
	<b>Part 2: matching.</b> Listening to a longer dialogue and matching five items with eight options.	<b>Part 2:</b> listening to identify key information.
	<b>Part 3: three-option multiple choice.</b> Listening to a longer dialogue and choosing the correct answer for five items.	<b>Part 3:</b> listening to identify key information.
	<b>Part 4: gap-fill.</b> Listening to a longer dialogue and writing the missing word(s) or number in five gaps.	<b>Part 4:</b> listening and writing down information.
	<b>Part 5: gap-fill.</b> Listening to a longer dialogue and writing the missing word(s) or number in five gaps.	<b>Part 5:</b> listening and writing down information.
<b>Speaking</b> Two tasks	<b>Part 1: examiner-led conversation.</b>	<b>Part 1:</b> giving personal information.
	<b>Part 2: two-way conversation with visual and written prompt.</b>	<b>Part 2:</b> giving factual information related to daily life.