

## 2026–2027 ENGLISH PROFICIENCY EXAM AND EXAM GUIDE

Dear Students,

First of all, we wish you the best of luck in the English Proficiency Exam, which will be held on 10–11 September. Please check our website regularly for announcements regarding the exam venue and schedule.

The exam assesses four main language skills and two sub-skills.

Your overall English Proficiency Exam score will be calculated according to the following weighting:

- Main Paper (Listening, Reading, Use of English): 40%
- Writing: 30%
- Speaking: 30%

The written exam, which will be held on 10 September, consists of the following sections in order: *Listening*, *Reading*, *Grammar and Vocabulary*, and *Writing*. You will be provided with a note-taking sheet for the Listening section, 80 multiple-choice questions, and one writing paper.

### Written Exam Details (10 September - Anafartalar and Main Campuses)

The written exam will consist of the following sections, in this order: Listening, Reading, Use of English (Grammar and Vocabulary), and Writing.

For the written exam, you will be provided with:

- a note-taking sheet for the Listening section,
- 80 multiple-choice questions, and
- one writing paper.

### Listening

You will listen to a total of three audio recordings: one *note-taking* task and two *while-listening* tasks. All recordings will be played twice.

- In the *note-taking* section, you will take notes on the sheet provided while listening. You will not see the questions at this stage.
- After the listening is completed, the main exam paper will be distributed, and you will be given time to answer the relevant questions using your notes.
- You will then move on to the *while-listening* sections. In these sections, you are expected to answer the questions while listening. You will be given time to preview the questions before each recording begins.

Question types:

Comprehension, listening for gist, listening for detail, and listening for inference.

## **Reading**

This section consists of multiple-choice questions based on 3–4 reading texts.

Question types:

Comprehension, reading for gist, reading for detail, vocabulary in context, reference and reading for inference.

## **Use of English**

This section covers B2 grammar and vocabulary. The Grammar and Vocabulary sections each contain approximately 20 multiple-choice questions. In addition, each section includes one cloze test.

- Grammar: Appendix 1
- Vocabulary: Appendix 2

## **Writing**

You will be given two topics and will be expected to choose one and write a coherent essay consisting of one introductory paragraph, at least two body paragraphs, and one concluding paragraph.

## **Speaking Exam Details (11 September - Main Campus, Block B)**

In the Speaking Exam, you will be given two different topics and asked to choose one. During the preparation time, you will be provided with a note-taking sheet to plan your talk. You will then be expected to deliver your talk within the allocated time.

Basic presentation skills, such as eye contact and appropriate body language, are also expected.

The entire speaking exam will be recorded. Please follow the announcements on our website carefully and be ready outside the examination room 15 minutes before your scheduled time.

Once again, we wish you every success in your exam.

## Appendix 1- Grammar

| Grammar Topic                                                        | Function                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Present Simple vs Present Continuous                                 | Describing habits, routines, and current actions; expressing general truths and temporary situations |
| Past Simple vs Past Continuous                                       | Narrating past events; describing background and interrupted actions                                 |
| Present Perfect Simple                                               | Describing life experiences, achievements, or events with present relevance                          |
| Present Perfect Continuous                                           | Expressing duration of actions that started in the past and continue to the present                  |
| Past Perfect Simple & Continuous                                     | Sequencing events in the past; showing cause and effect                                              |
| Future Forms (will, going to, present continuous for future)         | Making predictions, expressing intentions, scheduling events                                         |
| Future Perfect & Future Continuous                                   | Expressing completion or ongoing actions at a specific future point                                  |
| Can, Could, Be able to                                               | Expressing ability, possibility, polite requests                                                     |
| May, Might, Could                                                    | Expressing degrees of possibility or uncertainty                                                     |
| Must, Have to, Need to                                               | Expressing strong obligation, necessity                                                              |
| Should, Ought to, Had better                                         | Giving advice, making recommendations                                                                |
| Mustn't, Don't have to                                               | Expressing prohibition or lack of necessity                                                          |
| Modal Perfect Forms (should have, could have, might have, must have) | Speculating about the past; expressing past regrets or missed opportunities                          |
| Zero Conditional                                                     | Expressing general truths and cause-effect facts                                                     |
| First Conditional                                                    | Expressing real/likely future situations and their consequences                                      |
| Second Conditional                                                   | Hypothetical present or future situations                                                            |
| Third Conditional                                                    | Hypothetical past situations and their consequences                                                  |
| Wish Clause                                                          | Expressing regret, desire, or dissatisfaction about present, past, or future situations              |
| Passives                                                             | Emphasizing the action/result over the doer                                                          |
| Passive with Modals                                                  | Expressing necessity, possibility, or obligation in passive form                                     |
| Indirect Speech/Questions/Commands                                   | Reporting information and inquiries in indirect form                                                 |
| Defining and Non-defining Clauses                                    | Adding essential or extra information about a noun                                                   |
| Relative Pronouns (who, whom, whose, which, that)                    | Linking clauses appropriately                                                                        |
| Omission of Relative Pronouns                                        | Producing more concise sentences                                                                     |
| Some, Any, Much, Many, Few, Little                                   | Expressing quantity in countable/uncountable nouns                                                   |
| All, Most, Several, Each, Every, None                                | Referring to groups and individual items                                                             |
| Enough, Too, So, Such                                                | Expressing sufficiency, excess, or emphasis                                                          |
| Definite and Indefinite Articles                                     | Specifying known/unknown nouns                                                                       |
| Zero Article Use                                                     | Talking about general concepts, institutions, meals, etc.                                            |
| Gerund & Infinitive                                                  | Correct verb complementation (“decide to go” / “enjoy reading”)                                      |
| Stop, Try, Remember, Forget (change in meaning)                      | Expressing different meanings depending on the form used                                             |

## Appendix 2 -Vocabulary List

| Word           | Word Type      | Word          | Word Type      |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| access         | Noun/Verb      | approach      | Noun           |
| accommodate    | Verb           | appropriate   | Adjective      |
| accountant     | Noun           | approve       | Verb           |
| accuracy       | Noun           | approximate   | Verb/Adjective |
| accurately     | Adverb         | approximately | Adverb         |
| achieve        | Verb           | argue         | Verb           |
| acquire        | Verb           | as a result   | Conjunction    |
| acquisition    | Noun           | as soon as    | Conjunction    |
| adapt          | Verb           | aspect        | Noun           |
| adequate       | Adjective      | assessment    | Noun           |
| adjust         | Verb           | assistance    | Noun           |
| administration | Noun           | assume        | Verb           |
| admit          | Verb           | assumption    | Noun           |
| adopt          | Verb           | assure        | Verb           |
| affect         | Verb           | attempt       | Noun/Verb      |
| affordable     | Adjective      | attitude      | Noun           |
| alter          | Verb           | attribute     | Verb/Noun      |
| alternative    | Adjective/Noun | authority     | Noun           |
| although       | Conjunction    | available     | Adjective      |
| ancestor       | Noun           | avoid         | Verb           |
| ancient        | Adjective      | aware         | Adjective      |
| annual         | Adjective      | benefit       | Noun/Verb      |
| apparent       | Adjective      | capacity      | Noun           |
| appear         | Verb           | careful       | Adjective      |

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| apply         | Verb         | category      | Noun         |
| certainty     | Noun         | conflict      | Noun/Verb    |
| challenge     | Noun/Verb    | confuse       | Verb         |
| chapter       | Noun         | confused      | Adjective    |
| check         | Verb         | confusion     | Noun         |
| circumstance  | Noun         | consent       | Noun/Verb    |
| civil         | Adjective    | consequent    | Noun         |
| clerk         | Noun         | considerable  | Adjective    |
| client        | Noun         | consist of    | Phrasal Verb |
| coincidence   | Noun         | consistent    | Adjective    |
| come up with  | Phrasal Verb | constant      | Adjective    |
| commander     | Noun         | constantly    | Adverb       |
| comment       | Noun/Verb    | constraint    | Noun         |
| commission    | Noun/Verb    | construction  | Noun         |
| commitment    | Noun         | consume       | Verb         |
| communicate   | Verb         | consumer      | Noun         |
| community     | Noun         | consumption   | Noun         |
| compensation  | Noun         | contact       | Noun/Verb    |
| complain      | Verb         | contemporary  | Adjective    |
| complete      | Verb         | contract      | Noun/Verb    |
| complex       | Adjective    | contrast      | Noun/Verb    |
| component     | Noun         | contribute    | Verb         |
| concentration | Noun         | controversial | Adjective    |
| conclusion    | Noun         | convention    | Noun         |
| conduct       | Noun/Verb    | convey        | Verb         |
| confess       | Verb         | coordinate    | Verb         |

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| core        | Noun/Adjective | devote       | Verb      |
| corporate   | Adjective      | differ       | Verb      |
| correspond  | Verb           | difficulty   | Noun      |
| create      | Verb           | dimension    | Noun      |
| credit      | Noun/Verb      | disappear    | Verb      |
| crowded     | Adjective      | discretion   | Noun      |
| culture     | Noun           | distinct     | Adjective |
| curious     | Adjective      | distinction  | Noun      |
| customer    | Noun           | distribution | Noun      |
| cycle       | Noun           | disturb      | Verb      |
| data        | Noun           | diversity    | Noun      |
| debate      | Noun/Verb      | document     | Noun/Verb |
| decide      | Verb           | domestic     | Adjective |
| decline     | Noun/Verb      | dominant     | Adjective |
| decrease    | Verb           | dominate     | Verb      |
| deduce      | Verb           | donation     | Noun      |
| defend      | Verb           | draft        | Noun/Verb |
| definition  | Noun           | earn         | Verb      |
| delay       | Verb           | efficient    | Adjective |
| demonstrate | Verb           | effort       | Noun      |
| deny        | Verb           | element      | Noun      |
| derived     | Adjective/Verb | eliminate    | Verb      |
| design      | Noun/Verb      | emerge       | Verb      |
| despite     | Preposition    | emphasis     | Noun      |
| destruction | Noun           | enable       | Verb      |

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| enforce     | Verb           | factor         | Noun         |
| ensure      | Verb           | failure        | Noun         |
| entity      | Noun           | fair           | Adjective    |
| environment | Noun           | fake           | Adjective    |
| equation    | Noun           | fame           | Noun         |
| equivalent  | Adjective/Noun | familiar       | Adjective    |
| error       | Noun           | feature        | Noun         |
| established | Adjective/Verb | figure out     | Phrasal Verb |
| estimate    | Verb/Noun      | final          | Adjective    |
| evaluation  | Noun           | financial      | Adjective    |
| eventually  | Adverb         | focus          | Noun/Verb    |
| evidence    | Noun           | fortunately    | Adverb       |
| evolve      | Verb           | founder        | Noun         |
| exchange    | Verb           | framework      | Noun         |
| exclude     | Verb           | fraud          | Noun         |
| exhausted   | Adjective      | fund           | Noun/Verb    |
| expand      | Verb           | fundamental    | Adjective    |
| expensive   | Adjective      | generate       | Verb         |
| export      | Verb/Noun      | generation     | Noun         |
| expose      | Verb           | get along with | Phrasal Verb |
| extension   | Noun           | get rid of     | Phrasal Verb |
| external    | Adjective      | give up        | Phrasal Verb |
| extinction  | Noun           | goal           | Noun         |
| facilitate  | Verb           | gradually      | Adverb       |
| facility    | Noun           | hence          | Adverb       |

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|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| hire        | Verb           | interact    | Verb      |
| however     | Conjunction    | interaction | Noun      |
| hypothesis  | Noun           | internal    | Adjective |
| identify    | Verb           | invasion    | Noun      |
| illustrate  | Verb           | invent      | Verb      |
| image       | Noun           | inventor    | Noun      |
| immediately | Adverb         | investigate | Verb      |
| immigration | Noun           | investment  | Noun      |
| impact      | Noun/Verb      | investor    | Noun      |
| implement   | Verb           | invite      | Verb      |
| implication | Noun           | isolate     | Verb      |
| impose      | Verb           | issue       | Noun/Verb |
| improve     | Verb           | item        | Noun      |
| include     | Verb           | job         | Noun      |
| individual  | Noun/Adjective | journal     | Noun      |
| inevitably  | Adverb         | justify     | Verb      |
| infer       | Verb           | label       | Noun/Verb |
| inflation   | Noun           | labour      | Noun      |
| initial     | Adjective      | ladder      | Noun      |
| injury      | Noun           | layer       | Noun      |
| innovation  | Noun           | legend      | Noun      |
| inspector   | Noun           | liberal     | Adjective |
| instance    | Noun           | licence     | Noun      |
| institute   | Noun/Verb      | limitation  | Noun      |
| integrate   | Verb           | link        | Noun/Verb |

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|-----------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|
| locate          | Verb         | normal      | Adjective        |
| logic           | Noun         | notion      | Noun             |
| look after      | Phrasal Verb | objective   | Noun/Adjective   |
| look forward to | Phrasal Verb | obligation  | Noun             |
| maintain        | Verb         | observe     | Verb             |
| major           | Adjective    | obstacle    | Noun             |
| manufacture     | Verb         | obtain      | Verb             |
| mean            | Verb         | obvious     | Adjective        |
| measurement     | Noun         | occur       | Verb             |
| mechanic        | Noun         | offer       | Verb             |
| mechanism       | Noun         | opportunity | Noun             |
| medical         | Adjective    | optimistic  | Adjective        |
| mental          | Adjective    | option      | Noun             |
| metaphor        | Noun         | ordinary    | Adjective        |
| method          | Noun         | orient      | Verb             |
| minor           | Adjective    | outcome     | Noun             |
| modify          | Verb         | output      | Noun             |
| monitor         | Verb/Noun    | overall     | Adjective/Adverb |
| moreover        | Conjunction  | overcome    | Verb             |
| motivation      | Noun         | parade      | Noun             |
| negative        | Adjective    | parallel    | Adjective/Noun   |
| neglect         | Verb         | parameter   | Noun             |
| negotiation     | Noun         | participate | Verb             |
| network         | Noun         | partner     | Noun             |
| nevertheless    | Conjunction  | patience    | Noun             |

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| perceive    | Verb           | prior        | Adjective      |
| percent     | Noun           | procedure    | Noun           |
| perception  | Noun           | process      | Noun/Verb      |
| period      | Noun           | professional | Noun/Adjective |
| permanently | Adverb         | profit       | Noun           |
| perspective | Noun           | prohibit     | Verb           |
| phase       | Noun           | project      | Noun/Verb      |
| philosophy  | Noun           | promote      | Verb           |
| physical    | Adjective      | proportion   | Noun           |
| policy      | Noun           | provide      | Verb           |
| pollution   | Noun           | psychology   | Noun           |
| portion     | Noun           | publish      | Verb           |
| positive    | Adjective      | punishment   | Noun           |
| potential   | Adjective/Noun | purchase     | Noun/Verb      |
| potentially | Adverb         | purpose      | Noun           |
| precede     | Verb           | pursue       | Verb           |
| precise     | Adjective      | put off      | Phrasal Verb   |
| predict     | Verb           | randomly     | Adverb         |
| prefer      | Verb           | range        | Noun/Verb      |
| prevent     | Verb           | rarely       | Adverb         |
| previous    | Adjective      | ratio        | Noun           |
| primary     | Adjective      | react        | Verb           |
| prime       | Adjective      | reaction     | Noun           |
| principal   | Noun/Adjective | reasonably   | Adverb         |
| principle   | Noun           | receiver     | Noun           |

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| recession   | Noun           | revenue     | Noun           |
| recognize   | Verb           | risk        | Noun           |
| refugee     | Noun           | rival       | Noun           |
| refuse      | Verb           | role        | Noun           |
| regime      | Noun           | ruin        | Verb           |
| region      | Noun           | scheme      | Noun           |
| register    | Verb/Noun      | search      | Verb           |
| regulation  | Noun           | section     | Noun           |
| reinforce   | Verb           | sector      | Noun           |
| reject      | Verb           | secure      | Verb/Adjective |
| relevant    | Adjective      | sequence    | Noun           |
| rely        | Verb           | series      | Noun           |
| remarkably  | Adverb         | set up      | Phrasal Verb   |
| remove      | Verb           | severely    | Adverb         |
| require     | Verb           | sex         | Noun           |
| research    | Noun/Verb      | shift       | Noun/Verb      |
| resident    | Noun/Adjective | shore       | Noun           |
| resign      | Verb           | signature   | Noun           |
| resolve     | Verb           | significant | Adjective      |
| resource    | Noun           | similar     | Adjective      |
| response    | Noun           | site        | Noun           |
| restrict    | Verb           | solution    | Noun           |
| restriction | Noun           | source      | Noun/Verb      |
| retain      | Verb           | specific    | Adjective      |
| reveal      | Verb           | specify     | Verb           |

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| stable      | Adjective | theory         | Noun         |
| statistic   | Noun      | therefore      | Conjunction  |
| status      | Noun      | tissue         | Noun         |
| strange     | Adjective | tradition      | Noun         |
| strategy    | Noun      | transfer       | Noun/Verb    |
| stress      | Noun/Verb | transition     | Noun         |
| structure   | Noun/Verb | transport      | Noun/Verb    |
| style       | Noun      | trap           | Noun         |
| submit      | Verb      | treasure       | Noun         |
| subsequent  | Adjective | treat          | Verb         |
| substitute  | Noun/Verb | trend          | Noun         |
| sufficient  | Adjective | turn down      | Phrasal Verb |
| sum         | Noun/Verb | turn sth. into | Phrasal Verb |
| summary     | Noun      | undertake      | Verb         |
| survey      | Noun/Verb | urban          | Adjective    |
| sustainable | Adjective | valid          | Adjective    |
| symbolic    | Adjective | variable       | Noun         |
| target      | Noun/Verb | version        | Noun         |
| task        | Noun      | violation      | Noun         |
| technical   | Adjective | volume         | Noun         |
| technique   | Noun      | whereas        | Conjunction  |
| technology  | Noun      | willing        | Adjective    |
| temperature | Noun      | withdraw       | Verb         |
| temple      | Noun      |                |              |
| text        | Noun      |                |              |