

“Trinity exams are really constructive, relevant and very authentic.”

Carol Francis
ESOL examiner
Trinity College London



ESOL SKILLS FOR LIFE

QUALIFICATIONS FROM TRINITY

Trinity College London's ESOL Skills for Life qualifications are for adults aged 16+ living in the UK who need English for everyday life, for study and for employment. Preparing for Trinity exams helps learners to develop the English language and transferable communication skills that they need for life in the UK.

“They are good exams... relevant and easy to teach.”

Mary Chichester
ESOL teacher, Exeter

External assessment by experienced professionals

Trinity offers you the convenience and security that comes with external assessment by professional examiners. This means you can trust us to take care of the testing, while you focus on teaching and helping your learners to prepare for success.

Qualifications

Qualifications are available at five levels, from beginner to advanced:

Entry 1 | Entry 2 | Entry 3 | Level 1 | Level 2

Individual Awards

Reading | Writing | Speaking and Listening

Overarching Certificate

A Trinity ESOL Skills for Life Certificate is awarded when Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening exams have been passed at the same level.

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“We like the topics offered by Trinity and the communicative approach.”

Leila Elsibaie
Ealing, Hammersmith & West London College

Why Trinity Skills for Life exams?

- 100% professional external assessment
- Authentic test content reflects real life
- Free training and online teaching resources
- Dedicated knowledgeable support team
- Competitively priced with no hidden costs
- On-demand and sector-agreed exam dates
- Book re-sits immediately upon results
- Results from 4 weeks

Professional support

Trinity provides support for administrators and teachers, including free training and guidance for new centres. Online teaching materials include exam specifications, classroom activities, sample papers and videos.

Dedicated named contacts at Trinity are available to answer your administrative and academic enquiries about booking and preparing for Skills for Life exams. We also send you regular information bulletins and publish annual pass rates online.

Trinity ESOL Skills for Life exam content is based on the National Standards for Adult Literacy and is closely aligned to the Adult ESOL Core Curriculum. Our Skills for Life qualifications are regulated by Ofqual and carry the Association of Language Testers in Europe (ALTE) Q-mark.

Trinity College London is an international exam board operating in over 60 countries. Our exams are contemporary and learner-centred, focusing on practical and communicative skills. As a leader in English language assessment, our qualifications are widely recognised by employers, universities, and higher education and government institutions worldwide. Trinity's GESE and ISE qualifications are approved by UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI) for visa application and settlement purposes.

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Assessment summary

LEVEL	QUALIFICATION TITLE	ASSESSMENT DETAILS	QUALIFICATION NO.	GLH* / TQT**
Entry 1	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) (Entry 1)	24 questions – 45 mins (3 tasks)	601/5210/2	60 hours / 70 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing) (Entry 1)	30 mins (3 tasks)	601/5214/X	90 hours / 100 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 1)	Conversation – 5 mins (2 tasks) Group discussion – 5 mins (1 task)	601/5207/2	120 hours / 130 hours
	Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 1)	Details for each exam as above	601/4785/4	270 hours / 300 hours
Entry 2	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) (Entry 2)	24 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5211/4	60 hours / 70 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing) (Entry 2)	50 mins (3 tasks)	601/5215/1	90 hours / 100 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 2)	Conversation – 8 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 7 mins (1 task)	601/5208/4	120 hours / 130 hours
	Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 2)	Details for each exam as above	601/5204/7	270 hours / 300 hours
Entry 3	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) (Entry 3)	27 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5212/6	60 hours / 70 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing) (Entry 3)	70 mins (3 tasks)	601/5216/3	90 hours / 100 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 3)	Conversation – 8 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 8 mins (1 task)	601/5209/6	120 hours / 130 hours
	Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 3)	Details for each exam as above	601/5205/9	270 hours / 300 hours
Level 1	Level 1 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading)	30 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5218/7	60 hours / 70 hours
	Level 1 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing)	110 mins (4 tasks)	601/5217/5	90 hours / 100 hours
	Level 1 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening)	Conversation – 10 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 10 mins (1 task)	601/5219/9	120 hours / 130 hours
	Level 1 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life	Details for each exam as above	601/4786/6	270 hours / 300 hours
Level 2	Level 2 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading)	30 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5221/7	60 hours / 70 hours
	Level 2 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing)	110 mins (4 tasks)	601/5222/9	90 hours / 100 hours
	Level 2 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening)	Conversation – 14 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 15 mins (1 task)	601/5220/5	120 hours / 130 hours
	Level 2 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life	Details for each exam as above	601/5206/0	270 hours / 300 hours

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*Guided learning hours
**Total qualification time

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