Cambridge IGCSE (9-1) English as an Additional Language (0772)

Why Choose Cambridge IGCSE English as an Additional Language?

Cambridge IGCSE English as an Additional Language (EAL) is an internationally recognised qualification designed to help learners develop the language proficiency needed to communicate confidently and effectively in English. It equips students with practical skills in listening, reading, speaking and writing that can be applied in everyday life, further education and future employment.

The course promotes confidence, independence and cultural awareness, enabling students to communicate successfully across a range of familiar and real-world contexts. Learners gain transferable skills such as critical thinking, inference, communication and problem-solving, which support achievement across the wider curriculum.

As one of the world's most recognised international qualifications, Cambridge IGCSE is valued by universities, colleges and employers globally. The qualification is benchmarked as comparable to UK GCSE standards, providing students with a respected and trusted pathway for future success.

Assessment

Students are assessed across all four language skills, with each component contributing equally (25%) to the final grade. This balanced assessment ensures learners can demonstrate their English proficiency in a variety of ways.

Listening (25%)

Approximately 50 minutes. Students listen to recordings such as announcements, conversations and interviews and answer multiple-choice and matching questions.

Reading (25%)

1 hour. Students read a range of texts including emails, messages, blogs, letters and articles, responding to multiple-choice, matching and short-answer questions.

Speaking (25%)

Approximately 10 minutes. Students complete a role play and two topic-based conversations, demonstrating their ability to communicate effectively in everyday situations.

Writing (25%)

1 hour. Students complete practical writing tasks including form filling, directed writing and extended writing in formats such as emails, letters, articles and blogs.

Progression

Cambridge IGCSE English as an Additional Language provides an excellent foundation for further study and future career opportunities. The qualification develops the language skills, attitudes and confidence needed for progression to post-16 courses, including Cambridge International AS & A Levels and other academic pathways.

Students achieving grades 9-4 are well prepared for a wide range of courses and are equipped to use English effectively across different subjects and contexts. The qualification is recognised internationally and supports access to higher education and employment opportunities around the world.

Through studying Cambridge IGCSE EAL, learners become confident communicators, independent thinkers and globally aware individuals, ready to succeed in an increasingly interconnected world.