

The CAE examination is part of a group of examinations developed by Cambridge ESOL called the Cambridge Main Suite. The Main Suite consists of five examinations that have similar characteristics but are designed for different levels of English language ability. Within the five levels, CAE is at Level C1 in the *Council of Europe's Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: Learning, teaching, assessment*. It has also been accredited by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority in the UK as a Level 2 ESOL certificate in the National Qualifications Framework. The CAE examination is widely recognised in commerce and industry and in individual university faculties and other educational institutions.

<b>Examination</b>	<b>Council of Europe Framework Level</b>	<b>UK National Qualifications Framework Level</b>
<b>CPE</b> Certificate of Proficiency in English	C2	3
<b>CAE</b> Certificate in Advanced English	C1	2
<b>FCE</b> First Certificate in English	B2	1
<b>PET</b> Preliminary English Test	B1	Entry 3
<b>KET</b> Key English Test	A2	Entry 2