



The ELLT Portal Guide

This guide has been written to help you with registering, paying and completing your OIDI English Language Level Test.

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1. Registration

Complete the form to register an account on the ELLT Portal.

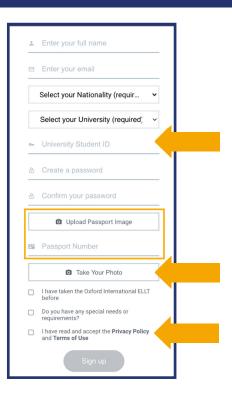


Upload a scan of the ID page of your passport (example below) and type in your passport number. Then take a photo of yourself, both these images will appear on your certificate and after registration you will NOT be able to change them.

Note: If you don't have a university ID you will still be able to register.





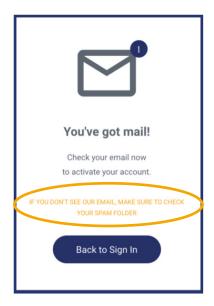


Once you have completed the form agree to the terms and conditions and 'sign up.'

2. Activation

You will receive an email asking you to **activate** your account.

If you do not receive the email, please check your SPAM or JUNK folders for this email.



Once you have received the email, click on 'Activate your account' button – This will automatically direct you back to your ELLT Portal home page.

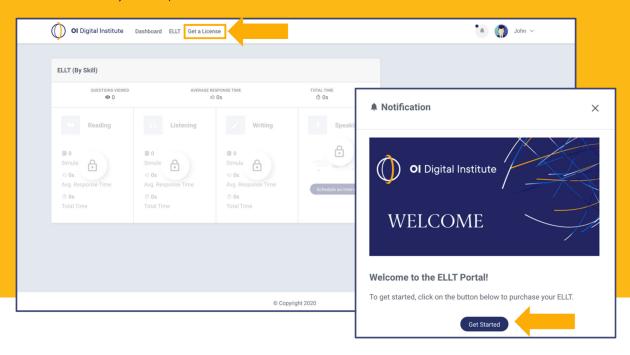
Note: If this does not work copy and paste the URL in your activation email into your internet browser.

Click on the button below to activate your account and get started!

Activate your account

3. Getting a licence

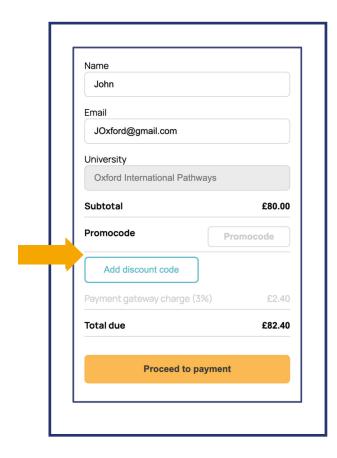
From the ELLT Portal dashboard you will need to click **Get Started** on the pop-up notification or **Get a licence** to make payment for your test. This is simply how you make payment for your test - the four components will remain locked until you have paid.

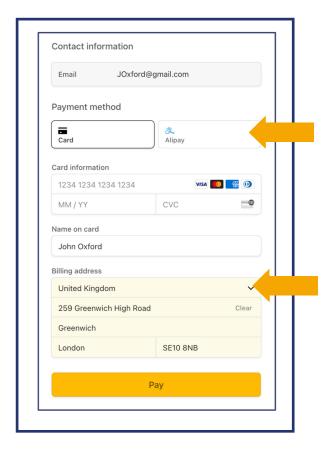


4. Making a payment

Your personal information will be copied from the registration page. Enter a **promocode** if you have one – once complete **proceed to payment**.

Select your payment method and enter your banking details. Make sure you complete the **Billing address** and then click **pay**.

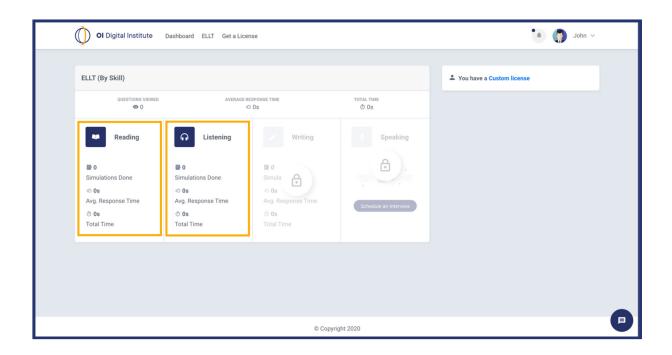




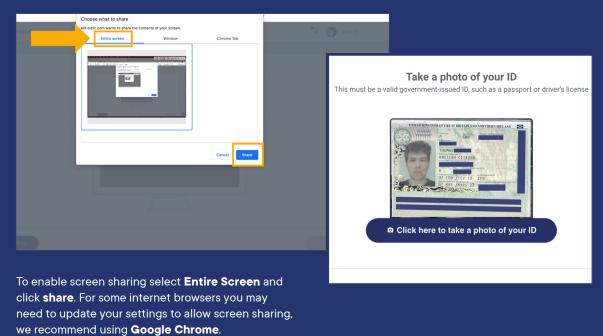
5. Starting your test

Once you have successfully completed your payment you will automatically return to the ELLT Portal homepage.

You will now be able to start your test. You must complete the **reading** and **listening** parts of the test before you can schedule your speaking exam and complete the writing assessment. You may choose which (reading or listening) you complete first. You will need to allow approximately **40 minutes** for the **reading** test and **20 minutes** for the **listening** test.



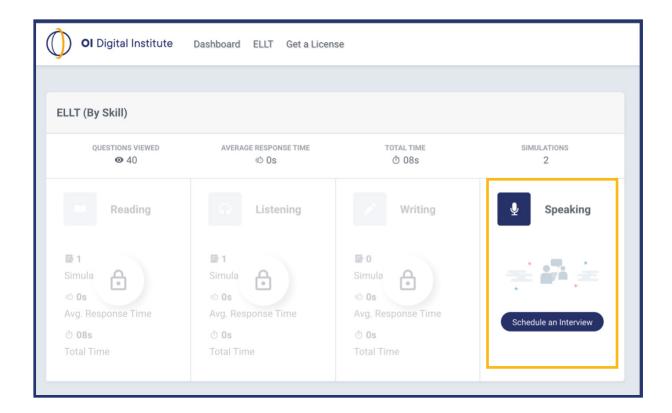
Follow the onscreen instructions to enable screen sharing and to complete an ID check.



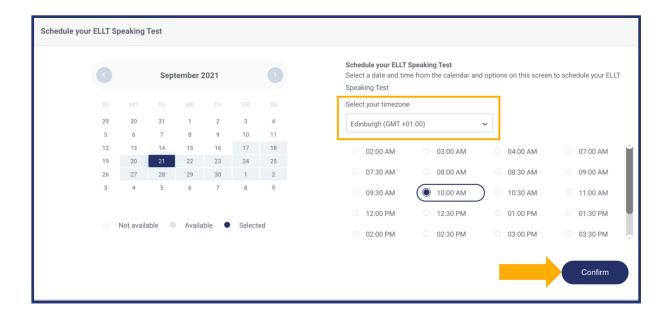
Take a photo of your identification, this should be your **passport.** Make sure the picture is **clear** and **bright**. If your examiner is unable to read your identification you will not be able to continue with the test. You're now ready to take the test, good luck!

6. Scheduling your speaking test

Once you have completed both the **reading** and **listening** components you will be able to schedule your speaking test.

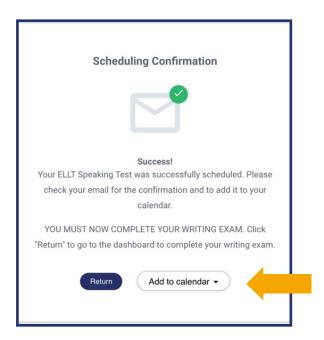


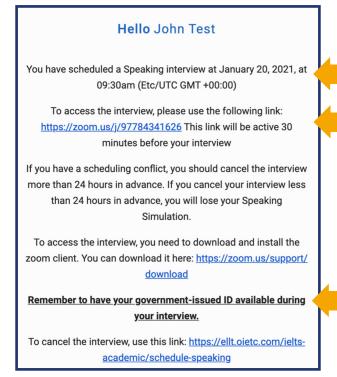
First select your **time zone**, then choose which day and time you would like to schedule your speaking test. Speaking tests are available to book a minimum of **24 hours** ahead of time.



Once you have confirmed your booking you will receive an **email notification**. If you do not receive the email, please check your SPAM or JUNK folders for this email.

Make sure you **add** your speaking test to your **calendar**, so you don't forget!

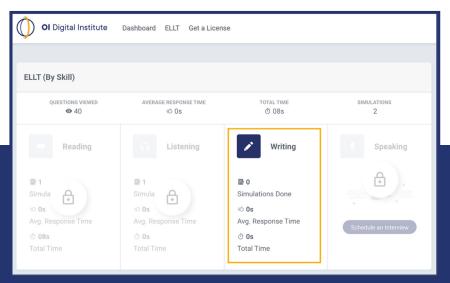




The confirmation email will confirm the **time** and **date** of your speaking test (based on the time zone you selected). It will also contain the Zoom link ready for you to start your test. You will receive test reminder emails 12 hours and 1 hour before your exam.

7. Writing test

As soon as you have booked your speaking exam you MUST return to the ELLT Portal dashboard to complete the **writing** test. You must complete your writing test 24 hours before your speaking test or your speaking test will be cancelled. You will need to allow approximately **1 hour** for the **writing** test.



8. Speaking test

You will need to **prepare** for the speaking test, to do this, you will need to **download** and **read** the presentation task that's attached to the speaking test confirmation email (shown above). Failure to do so will potentially affect your speaking test level.

At the time of your speaking test, click on the **Zoom** link in the confirmation email. You can either open the Zoom link in an **internet browser** or on the **Zoom app**. Make sure you **have your passport ready** as your examiner will need to see it and without it your test will be **cancelled**.

Please ensure you are on time to meet with your examiner and they will talk you through the different stages of the test. You should allow up to **30 minutes** for the speaking test.

9. Results

Once you have completed your speaking test your examiner will collate your results and upload their final comments and levels. Once these have been **verified** by our academic team you will receive an email with your **results**, **certificate** and **report**. You can also log back into the portal to download your report and certificate.

The final verification can take up to **48 hours** to complete. If you have any questions regarding your results, please contact **elltacademics@oidigitalinstitute.com**.





10. Contact us

If you are having trouble with any part of the test, **please contact** us at **ellt@oidigitalinstitute.com**. Please note: during busy periods we make take a little longer to respond that normal.



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Sample test questions – the following sample questions have been written to give you an idea of what to expect during your English Language Level Test.

The ELLT reading test is a combination of multiple choice vocabulary and comprehension questions.

Example:

Question 1

According to the paragraph, what happened in Britain after 597 AD?

- **A.** Britain was divided into several kingdoms, all dependent on one another
- B. Britain was divided into several kingdoms, all independent
- C. Britain was divided into several kingdoms and some remained independent
- **D.** Britain was united into one kingdom

Question 2

The word gathered in the paragraph is closest in meaning to:

- **A.** Discovered
- **B.** Collected
- **C.** Created
- D. Explored

Question 3

The paragraph supports which of the following statements about plants:

- A. UV light splits oxygen molecules, creating colonisation on the land of plant life
- **B.** UV light splits carbon dioxide and nitrogen molecules, creating the ozone UV layer which allowed the development of plants
- C. UV light splits oxygen molecules, initiating the start of photosynthesis in plants
- **D.** UV light splits oxygen molecules, creating the ozone UV layer which allowed the development of plants

The ELLT **listening test** is made up of multiple choice **comprehension** questions.

Example:

Question 1

What is the biggest problem with this student's essay?

- A. Grammar
- **B.** Thesis statements
- **C.** Organisation
- **D.** Citations

Question 2

Why are office hours important?

- A. Because it is a designated amount of time which students can speak with professors
- **B.** Because they are a set period of time where the professor works completely undisturbed
- C. They aren't actually important at all
- **D.** Because they are when professors hold make-up classes who are behind in attendance



Question 3

The professor explains a few benefits of using citations properly. Read the statements below (1-3).

For each statement, select YES, NO, or NOT GIVEN based on the professor's comments.

YES = if the statement is mentioned by the professor NO = if the statement contradicts what is mentioned by the professor NOT GIVEN = if the statement is not mentioned by the professor

- 1. The essay becomes easier to read (YES/NO/NOT GIVEN)
- 2. Proper academic writing mandates the use of two styles of citations simultaneously (YES/NO/NOT GIVEN)
- 3. She personally prefers one style of citation (YES/NO/NOT GIVEN)

The ELLT **speaking test** is split into 3 stages and is conducted by an ELLT examiner.

Example:

Stage 1: Introduction & ID check

You will be asked to show your ID to check your identity. The examiner will open with a few personal questions.

Stage 2: Presentation (student led) 3-5 minutes

Consider the challenge listed below and prepare a short presentation on the topic: Communication and information flow have changed dramatically since the middle of the 20th century. Challenges presented by modern communication channels and media have influenced our lives in many ways. What role does mobile technology play in developing countries?

Your presentation must:

- Include a positive example and a negative example
- Include a personal reflection

Stage 3: Stage three will be devoted to question time concerning the written essay.

The aim of this stage is two-fold, firstly, to evaluate your spontaneous use of language, and secondly, to serve as deterrent to have your essay written by someone else. The examiner will focus their questions primarily on the following areas:

- Clarification of facts and / or opinions presented in the essay
- Reflection on the writing process
- Personal experience



The examiner will be given a list potential questions to link to the essay and ask. These may include but are not limited to:

- Can you tell me a bit more about the source / sources you have used for this essay?
- Can you tell about the aspects you were mostly impressed by?
- The word count for the essay is limited, is there anything else you would have liked to include in your essay but had to leave out?
- What were some of the most surprising facts you have encountered while planning the essay?

The ELLT writing test is a one question opinion based essay.

Example:

Consider the question below and write an essay between 150 – 200 words.

"In industrial countries, mass tourism and recreation are now fast overtaking the extractive industries as the largest threat to mountain environments. Since 1945, visits to the most popular mountainous national parks in the United States have increased twelve-fold. In the European Alps tourism now exceeds 100 million visitor-days. Every year in the Indian Himalaya, more than 250,000 Hindu pilgrims, 25,000 trekkers, and 75 mountaineering expeditions climb to the sacred source of the Ganges River, the Gangotri Glacier. They deplete local forests for firewood, trample riparian vegetation, and strew litter. Even worse, this tourism frequently induces poorly planned, land-intensive development. (Source: People and the Planet)

Should mass tourism to areas of unique natural or cultural environment be regulated?