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for British Citizenship, Settlement and visa applications

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# Rules for British Citizenship, Settlement and visa applications to UKVI

## Introduction

SELTs are taken by people who need to demonstrate their English language proficiency for the purpose of obtaining British Citizenship, Settlement or a visa for work or study.

SELTs offered by Trinity:

- ▶ **GESE:** Graded Examinations in Spoken English – a 6 minute (A1), 7 minute (A2) or 10 minute (B1) one-to-one conversation with a Trinity examiner
- ▶ **ISE:** Integrated Skills in English – a contemporary four-skills qualification widely recognised by UK universities (B1-C1)

Trinity is an international exam board operating in over 60 countries worldwide.

## Rules for applications to UKVI

### Citizenship, Settlement, and Further Leave to Remain visa applications – **GESE: Graded Examinations in Spoken English (A1-B1)**

Anyone applying to UKVI in the following categories must have taken their speaking and listening English language test (B1) at a SELT centre:

- ▶ British Citizenship (Naturalisation)
- ▶ Indefinite Leave to Remain – ILR (Settlement/Permanent Residency)

In addition, anyone applying to UKVI in the categories below must take their speaking and listening English language test (A1) at a SELT centre.

- ▶ Further Leave to Remain:
  - Family life as a partner of a settled person (Spouse/Partner)
  - Family life as a parent (Parent of a Dependant)
- ▶ Tier 2 (Sportsperson)

People extending their Further Leave to Remain visa after two-and-a-half years in the UK now need to take a speaking and listening English language test (A2) at a SELT centre. Trinity's GESE Grade 3 is at this level.

## ID requirements

SELT candidates are required to show one of the following forms of identification on the day of the test:

- ▶ a valid original passport
- ▶ a valid original biometric residence permit
- ▶ a valid original European Union identity card
- ▶ a valid original travel document issued by the United Nations or the Red Cross
- ▶ a valid vignette attached to an immigration status document
- ▶ a valid vignette attached to a GV3 document

## Trinity has 10 SELT centres across the UK with tests available 7 days a week

### Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 4 visa applications – **ISE: Integrated Skills in English (B1-C1)**

Qualifications demonstrating proficiency in all four skills (reading, writing, speaking and listening) for Tier 1, 2 and 4 visas must also be obtained from an approved SELT centre. This applies to the following visa types:

- ▶ Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) (B1)
- ▶ Tier 1 (Graduate Entrepreneur) (B1)
- ▶ Tier 2 (General) (B1)
- ▶ Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) (B2)
- ▶ Tier 4 (General) Student – below degree level (B1/B2)
- ▶ Tier 4 (General) Student – degree level and above (B2/C1)







## Trinity's Secure English Language Tests

Trinity's GESE and ISE tests are available for the application types shown below. This information is also available at [trinitycollege.com/SELT](http://trinitycollege.com/SELT)

Application type	CEFR* level required	Skills required	Trinity test
Further Leave to Remain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Family life as a partner of a settled person (Spouse/Partner)</li> <li>▶ Family life as a parent (Parent of a Dependant)</li> </ul>	A1	Speaking and listening	GESE Grade 2
Further Leave to Remain (visa extension): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Family life as a partner of a settled person (Spouse/Partner)</li> <li>▶ Family life as a parent (Parent of a Dependant)</li> </ul>	A2	Speaking and listening	GESE Grade 3** <span style="background-color: #2e3192; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; transform: rotate(-45deg); font-size: 0.8em;">new</span>
Indefinite Leave to Remain – ILR (Settlement/Permanent Residency)	B1	Speaking and listening	GESE Grade 5
British Citizenship (Naturalisation)	B1	Speaking and listening	GESE Grade 5
Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) visa	B1	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE I
Tier 1 (Graduate Entrepreneur) visa	B1	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE I
Tier 2 (General) visa	B1	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE I
Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) visa	B2	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE II
Tier 2 (Sportsperson) visa	A1	Speaking and listening	GESE Grade 2
Tier 4 (General) Student visa – below degree level Although UKVI requires a B1 test, some institutions require B2 – please check with your sponsor	B1	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE I
	B2	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE II
Tier 4 (General) Student visa – degree level and above Although UKVI requires a B2 test, some institutions require C1 – please check with your sponsor	B2	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE II
	C1	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	ISE III

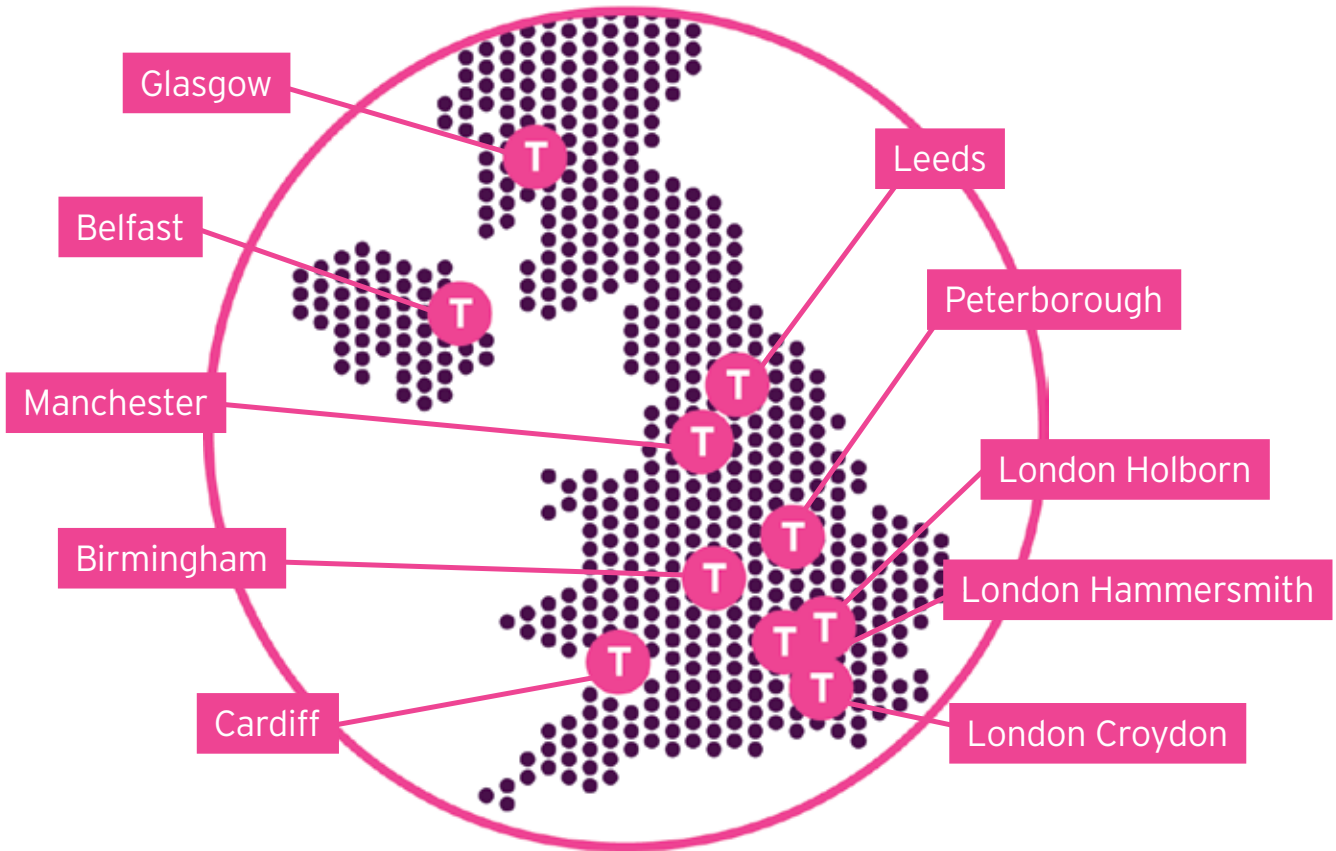
The CEFR levels shown above reflect the minimum requirements for applications. UKVI English language requirements can also be satisfied by a Secure English Language Test taken at a higher CEFR level.

\*CEFR = Common European Framework of Reference for languages

\*\*New requirement for family route visas from 1 May 2017

## Test centres across the UK

Tests taken in these 10 Trinity SELT centres are approved for UKVI applications worldwide:



## Trinity's Secure English Language Tests

### Support for you and your clients

Information about the SELTs offered by Trinity can be found at [trinitycollege.com/SELT](http://trinitycollege.com/SELT) or call us on 0333 358 3183.

We have a wide range of resources and preparation materials to help your clients prepare for their tests, as well as:

- ▶ a professional ID and registration checking service
- ▶ a secure delivery option available for certificates.

### Book a test

Our online booking system is easy to use and candidates can book a SELT quickly and securely.

Book a test at [trinitySELT.co.uk](http://trinitySELT.co.uk)

### Contact us

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