

Qualification achievement levels

RQF Level	EQF Level	CEFR Levels (Language)	English language					Drama	Music					Arts Award	
			TESOL	ESOL Skills for Life (UK only)	Integrated Skills in English (ISE)	Graded Examinations in Spoken English (GESE)	Trinity Stars*	Drama	Classical & Jazz	Rock & Pop	Theory	Awards & Certificates in Musical Development (UK & Ireland only)	Solo & Group Certificates*	Arts Award	
7	7		DipTESOL						FTCL						
6	6		CertPT					LTCL	LTCL			LMusTCL			
5	4/5		CertTESOL												
4			CertOT					ATCL	ATCL		AMusTCL				
								Certificate for Music Educators (Trinity CME)							
3	4	C2			ISE IV (C2)	Grade 12		Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Level 3 (Sol level 6)	Advanced	Gold	
								Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7				
								Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6				
2	3	C1		Level 2	ISE III (C1)	Grade 11		Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Level 2 (Sol level 5: Distinction)	Intermediate	Silver	
								Grade 10	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4				Grade 4
1	2	B2		Level 1	ISE II (B2)	Grade 9		Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3	Level 1 (Sol level 5: Pass Merit)	Foundation	Bronze	
								Grade 8	Grade 2	Grade 2	Grade 2				Grade 2
								Grade 7	Grade 1	Grade 1	Grade 1				Grade 1
Entry level 3	1	B1		Entry level 3	ISE I (B1)	Grade 6		Initial	Initial	Initial		Entry 3 (Sol level 4)		Explore	
				Grade 5											
Entry level 2	–	A2		Entry level 2	ISE Foundation (A2)	Grade 4						Entry 2 (Sol level 3)			
				Grade 3											
Entry level 1	–	A1		Entry level 1		Grade 2						Entry 1 (Sol level 2)			
Unregulated preliminary awards*		Pre-A1		Steps 1 & 2*		Grade 1*	Trinity Stars*								Discover*

Notes

- Links are shown with an underline. Click on RQF Level to see generic level descriptors. Details of specific knowledge and skills required can be found in syllabuses and specifications on our website.
- Communication Skills qualifications are included in Drama qualifications, with grades available at the same levels.
- FTCL assessments in TESOL, Drama and Music Theory, Composition and Education at Level 7 ceased to be offered in 2017/18, although existing Trinity certificates continue to be valid.
- Spoken English for Work (SEW) assessments ceased in 2017. Certificates continue to be valid for SEW B1, B2, B2+ and C1.
- *ESOL Steps 1 & 2, GESE Grade 1, Trinity Stars, Solo & Group Certificates and Arts Award Discover awards are not listed on the Regulated Qualifications Framework.
- Sol Levels relate to the Sounds of Intent learning and progression framework.
- [Click to download GESE 'can do' descriptors.](#)
- [Click to download ISE 'can do' descriptors.](#)
- [Click to download ESOL Skills for Life 'can do' descriptors.](#)