

ZAGADNIENIA DLA KANDYDATÓW DO KLASY 3 IB DP – JĘZYK ANGIELSKI NA POZIOMIE HL

ENGLISH B

The required level of English for a candidate to IB DP programme is B2+/C1 (upper intermediate/advanced).

Form of the examination

The examination will consist of three parts:

1. Grammar and Vocabulary – multiple choice questions;
2. Reading Comprehension – based on 2 texts, text handling questions (gap filling, multiple choice, matching headings with appropriate paragraphs, determining whether a statement is true or false etc);
3. Writing – 200-word composition based on one of the two topics; required text types: opinion essay, for and against essay, formal letter, informal letter/e-mail.

Required topics and skills

Grammar and Vocabulary:

- The Present aspect (Present Simple and Present Continuous).
- Present Perfect and Past Aspect (Simple Past, Past Continuous vs. Present Perfect, Present Perfect Continuous).
- The Past Aspect (Simple Past, Past Continuous, Past Perfect, Past Perfect Continuous).
- The Future Aspect (Future Simple, Future Continuous, Future Perfect, Future Perfect Continuous, present tenses/other structures used for future).
- The passive voice.
- The passive structures: Causative 'have/get', impersonal structures.
- The modal verbs in the present and in the past.
- The conditionals (0,1,2,3, mixed).
- The 'wish' sentences.
- Reported Speech.
- The articles.
- Advanced vocabulary (B2+/C1).

Reading

- Forming definition to the word or phrase.
- Giving synonyms and antonyms for a particular word.
- Paraphrasing a fragment of a text.
- Answering open questions to the text giving justification from the text.
- Answering multiple choice questions.
- Answering false/ true questions.
- Matching headlines or titles to the fragments of the text.
- Filling missing passages to the text.

Writing

When assessing candidate's work, the following aspects will be taken into account:

1. Content - selecting relevant arguments and supporting them with appropriate examples.
2. Structure - organizing ideas into coherent, well-developed paragraphs.
3. Cohesive devices - using appropriate linking words eg. although, therefore, furthermore.
4. Accuracy - correctness in grammar, spelling, word order, word choice, prepositions, articles etc.
5. Vocabulary range – using a wide range of lexical items.

Useful Resources

On-Screen C1 Express Publishing

Reading the News, The World's Daily Newspapers, Pete Sharma, Thomson

Ready for CAE, Roy Norris, Amanda French (Macmillan)

Reading Explorer 4, Paul MacIntyre, Nancy Huble (Heinle)

Successful Writing Proficiency, Sue O'Connell, Express Publishing

English Vocabulary in Use upper-intermediate and advanced, Michael McCarthy, Felicity O'Dell, CUP

CAE Language Practice, Michael Vince,

Skillful 4 Macmillan