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KET is an examination for students of English as a foreign language. It tests Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. The KET examination is at Cambridge Level One (Council of Europe Level A2).

Paper 1	1 hour 10 minutes	Reading and Writing	9 parts	50% of total marks
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Paper 3	8–10 minutes	Speaking	2 parts	25% of total marks

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