Cambridge English

MINDSET FOR IELTS

An Official Cambridge IELTS Course

STUDENT’S BOOK 1
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With a thorough understanding of the essential skills required to succeed in the IELTS test, let our team of experts guide you on your IELTS journey.

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- China
- UK
- Pakistan
- Middle East
- Hong Kong
- Korea
- Italy
- Indonesia
- Sri Lanka
- Kazakhstan
- Greece
- Russia
- Spain
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HOW DOES MINDSET FOR IELTS WORK?

AVAILABLE AT FOUR LEVELS

FOUNDATION LEVEL

LEVEL 1
Target Band 5.5

LEVEL 2
Target Band 6.5

LEVEL 3
Target Band 7.5

CORE MATERIAL

- Student’s Book (print and digital).
- Online skills modules for Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking plus Grammar and Vocabulary.

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

- Customised online modules for specific L1 groups that focus on areas where help is most needed, informed by the Cambridge English Learner Corpus.
- Academic Study Skills online module that prepares students for the challenges of studying a university-level course taught in English.

TAILIRED TO SUIT YOUR NEEDS

Mindset for IELTS gives teachers the ultimate flexibility to tailor courses to suit their context and the needs of their students.

GIVES TEACHERS CHOICE

- Course design means teachers can focus on either the skills or the topics that their students need the most help with.

CUSTOMISATION

- Online modules can be used in the classroom as extension work or as extra practice at home, allowing the teacher to customise the length and focus of the course.
- Additional online modules designed for specific L1 learners can be incorporated into the course.
The Mindset for IELTS course comprises 5 key components:

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<td>8 hours of practice per skill, per level: • Speaking • Writing • Reading • Listening • Grammar and Vocabulary</td>
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**SKILLS MODULES**
8 hours of practice per skill, including Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking plus Grammar and Vocabulary.

**RECEPTIVE SKILLS**
Focus on sub-skill

- PRINT Reading
- ONLINE Listening

**PRODUCTIVE SKILLS**
Focus on active production

- PRINT Writing
- ONLINE Speaking

**L1 SPECIFIC MODULES**
Extra practice for areas that need the most work, informed by the Cambridge Learner Corpus.*

**MIDDLE EAST**
• Spelling and Vocabulary
• Writing

**CHINESE**
• Pronunciation and Speaking
• Spelling and Writing

International modules focus on common areas of weakness and are suitable for all first languages.

**INTERNATIONAL**
• Speaking
• Writing

*Currently the same module is used for Level 1 and Level 2.