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PTE Academic is a computer-based test designed to test your English reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. The test takes approximately **three hours** to complete. This includes an un-timed introduction to the test and one optional scheduled break of **up to 10 minutes**.

There are **three timed parts**:

Part 1: Speaking and Writing

Part 2: Reading

Part 3: Listening

Each part may contain a number of sections. Each section is individually timed.

Part	Content	Time allowed
Intro	Introduction	Not timed
Part 1	Speaking and Writing	77-93 minutes
Part 2	Reading	32-41 minutes
Optional Scheduled Break		
Part 3	Listening	45-57 minutes

Offline Practice Test

This *PTE Academic Offline Practice Test* includes a combination of items covering each of the language skills – speaking, writing, reading and listening – as assessed in the actual test. Most of the content includes items from the online unscored practice test. The table below shows the contents of this *Offline Practice Test*:

Part and section	Item types	Number of items
Part 1: Speaking	Read aloud	6
	Repeat sentence	10
	Describe image	6
	Re-tell lecture	3
	Answer short question	10
Part 1: Writing	Summarize written text	2
	Write essay	2
Part 2: Reading	Multiple-choice, choose single answer	2
	Multiple-choice, choose multiple answers	2
	Re-order paragraphs	2
	Reading: Fill in the blanks	4
	Reading and writing: Fill in the blanks	5
Part 3: Listening	Summarize spoken text	2
	Multiple-choice, choose multiple answers	2
	Fill in the blanks	2
	Highlight correct summary	2
	Multiple-choice, choose single answer	2
	Select missing word	2
	Highlight incorrect words	2
	Write from dictation	3

The test items that feature in each part of the test are included in different documents with accompanying prompts and sample responses files:

PTE Academic Offline Practice Test Part 1: Speaking

PTE Academic Offline Practice Test Part 1: Writing

PTE Academic Offline Practice Test Part 2: Reading

PTE Academic Offline Practice Test Part 3: Listening

Each item is presented as it appears on screen online, but as this is an offline test, it does not have the same functionality as the actual online test. This test will need to be printed, answers written and spoken responses recorded on mobile phones. Audio countdowns are not included for listening items and there is no recording status countdown for spoken responses. If doing this test under timed considerations, only approximations can be applied.

Each of the four documents includes an Answer Key and Transcripts of the recordings for the speaking and listening sections. The Answer Key provides the correct answers and/or sample responses to the practice items. These sample responses are authentic responses given by test takers who took PTE Academic, and illustrate the CEF levels of competence B1, B2 and C1.

Answers can be checked against the Answer Key and recorded spoken responses compared with the sample responses.

The audio prompt files required for some listening and speaking items are provided within the folder **Prompts** and the sample responses for speaking in the folder **Sample responses**. The files are labelled by item type, e.g., **Describe image** and by item number **Describe image_Item 1** for you to easily find.

The offline test can be used for item practice, whole test practice or the items used as sources for development of additional preparation material.