

Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)

Application form



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CAE Application Form Terms & Conditions

(Applicable to candidate appearing at Centre No. IN 145)

Version 3.1: 4th November 2011



A copy of this Terms & Conditions MUST be given to the Candidate, at the time of filling of the application form. It is important that the candidate reads and fully understands the applicable test related rules & regulations given hereunder;

- Test owner: The Cambridge English: Advanced, also known as CAE is owned by the University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations, which is referred to as 'Cambridge ESOL'
- 2. <u>Authorised centre:</u> This refers to Planet EDU Exams Pvt. Ltd., Planet EDU Nepal Pvt. Ltd. and Planet EDU Bangladesh Pvt. Ltd. having Centre No. IN 145, NP 262 & BD 261 respectively, also referred as the "Centre"
- 3. <u>Eligible Age:</u> CAE is made available worldwide to all persons, regardless of age, gender, race, nationality or religion but it is not recommended to persons under 16 years of age.
- 4. No ID No Exam Policy: All candidates MUST BRING with them THE ORIGINAL VALID AND APPROVED IDENTIFICATION (ID) ON THE DAY OF THE TEST. If the candidate DOES NOT BRING the ID in original, on the test day, THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SIT THE EXAM. The candidate MUST CARRY WITH THEM, THE ID IN ORIGINAL FOR THE SPEAKING TEST also.
- 5. Identification Document (ID): A valid Passport/National ID/ Aadhar UID card/Income tax-Pan card/Voter ID or Driving License is ONLY treated as the approved ID. In case the candidate does not possess a valid ID in original, THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SIT THE EXAM. It is clarified, that a school / college / university photo ID will NOT be acceptable. A clear photocopy of the ID must be submitted along with the application form.
- 6. Validity of the Identification Document (ID): The ID that is submitted by the candidate and accepted by the centre, MUST be valid as on the date of the exam. If the validity of ID submitted by the candidate expires before the date of the exam, the candidate WILL NOT BE ALLOWED to sit the test, the candidate will be treated, as NO SHOW and no refund will be applicable in such case.
- 7. Arrangements for Special Needs: Cambridge ESOL / Test Centre will try its best to arrange for the special needs (such as Visual difficulties, Hearing difficulties, Specific Learning difficulties i.e. Dyslexia) of an applicant as requested and as per the details provided in the application form, supported by necessary Medical Certificate. In certain circumstances, the requirements may take long processing time. It is therefore suggested that the applicant discusses with the test centre such requirement prior to submitting the application form. Cambridge ESOL and the Centre would try their best to make such arrangements, but do not guarantee fulfillment of such requests at all times.
- 8. Application Form & Information: Application form, completed in all respects will be considered. Incomplete applications will be rejected. The details on the application form are collected for the purposes of the CAE Exam and that these details may be disclosed to, processed and stored by Cambridge ESOL and the Centre for the purpose of exam administration and that these details and the examination results will be disclosed by Cambridge ESOL on the verification site and to those academic institutions or other recognizing bodies to whom the applicant submits enrolment application, for the purpose of allowing such institutions or entities to verify the results of the test. If Cambridge ESOL discover that a false or altered Statement of Result has been provided to any of these institutions or entities, Cambridge ESOL may inform the same and provide them with the applicant's personal details. The personal details of the applicant may be processed in an anonymous form for statistical and research purposes by Cambridge ESOL and / or the Centre.
- 9. Exam Booking: The exam application forms will be accepted by the centre on a first-come-first-served basis. Test seats are limited and the registration will close for a particular exam, when all seats are booked or as decided by the centre. The decision of the centre will be final and binding on all candidates.
- 10. <u>Test Fee:</u> The exam fee is fixed by the centre and communicated to the candidates from time to time and will be updated on the website www.CAEexam.com. The fee is subject to change, as per the decisions of the Centre and would be final and binding on all candidates.
- 11. Payment: All Payments, for Exam fee, Transfer / Shifting (i.e. Postponement / Advancing the test date) must be made by Demand Draft / Pay order / Credit Card / Cash (at HDFC Bank of India branches) only. The Demand Draft / Pay order must be drawn in favour of "Planet EDU". IMPORTANT: MENTION YOUR NAME, YOUR PASSPORT NUMBER, YOUR TEST DATE AND TEST CITY on the reverse of the Demand Draft. Payment in CASH may be accepted at the centre office. Candidates making fee payment by cash MUST insist on getting an official receipt. Payment of test fee can also be made by Credit Card / Debit Card (Master / Visa) at the centre offices (subject to availability of the facility). However, the candidate understands and agrees to pay a handling charge over and above the test fee, incase of making payments by credit / debit card (if the facility exists).
- 12. Photograph: All applications must be forwarded with applicant's 2, recent passport size photographs (no later than three months old). IMPORTANT: MENTION YOUR NAME, YOUR PASSPORT NUMBER, TEST DATE AND EXAM CITY on the reverse of the Photographs. In case of applications submitted on-line, it is mandatory for the candidate to provide 2 recent passport size photographs (no later than three months old) at least 7 days before the test date of Listening / Reading / Writing / Use of English Exam or the Speaking exam whichever is earlier or upload the same online, failing which the candidate WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SIT THE EXAM, the candidate will be treated as NO SHOW and no refund will be applicable in such case.
- 13. Applying on-line: If a candidate applies on-line, i.e. through the Website www.CAEexam.com, then he / she MUST pay the test fee by Credit Card (MASTER / VISA) or ATM / Debit Card. The candidate agrees to pay a handling charge over and above the test fee, while paying by credit card or ATM / Debit Card, if applicable.
- 14. Allotment of Exam Date: Exam dates will be allotted, based on the choices provided by the applicant in his / her application form or as selected while completing the online registration. However, in case both dates are not available the candidate will be notified of the next available date, which if acceptable to the candidate will be allotted else the application will be returned to the candidate. The centre may alter / modify / merge test dates at its sole discretion and in absence of minimum number of candidates on an Exam date or due to any logistic / operational issues. The decision of the centre will be final and binding on the applicant. The candidate will be offered an alternate exam date in case of cancellation of an exam date. However, if the candidate does not wish to sit the exam on such alternate date offered by the centre, the candidate may apply for refund. Full refund in this case will be offered.
- 15. <u>Information Provided by the Applicant:</u> The candidate takes full responsibility for the correctness of the information provided in the application form. Any information found to be in-correct at any stage will automatically lead to cancellation of the exam and the statement of result and fee paid for such exam will be forfeited.
- 16. <u>Speaking Exam:</u> The Speaking Exam will be conducted as per a Speaking Exam window approved by Cambridge ESOL. The test may be conducted on the same day or prior to or after the test date of Listening, Reading and Writing / Use of English exam. The applicant MUST check his / her speaking test schedule 4 days prior to the test date, by logging on to the website www.CAEexam.com and going into the "Candidate Services" section. Alternately, the candidate (in India ONLY) can also check the same via SMS, by typing "SPK followed by a space and the ID number" to 56767877. The SMS charge applicable will be charged by the candidate's service provider. The Candidate may also call Toll free phone number 1800 102 1050 to get information between 10 am to 6 pm on Monday to Saturday.
- 17. Request for Transfer of Exam Date: A request for transfer of test date (i.e. postponement or pre-ponement) to another date will be entertained as per the "Exam Date Transfer & Cancellation Policy", in effect at the time of such request and as modified from time to time. The decision of the Centre, would be final and binding on the applicant. An administrative fee will be charged.

- 18. Request for Withdrawal / Cancellation: All applications for withdrawal / cancellation will be entertained as per the "Exam Date Transfer & Cancellation Policy", in effect at the time of such request and as modified from time to time. The decision of the Centre, would be final and binding on the applicant. An administrative fee will be charged.
- No Show / Absent on Exam Day: In case an applicant fails to report on the exam date, his / her application will be treated as cancelled, and the candidate will lose their full exam fee and NO REFUND would be possible. The decision of the Centre, would be final and binding on the applicant.
- Exam day photograph: All candidates taking the Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) will have their photo taken on the day of the exam. This increases the security of the test and will help organisations such as universities, employers and immigration authorities to confirm your result quickly and easily. No-one will be able to access your picture unless you give them access to it. All photos taken on the exam day are treated as confidential, like all your other information. Your photo is stored by Cambridge ESOL and is only visible on the secure Results Verification website. This website is used by universities, immigration authorities and other professional organisations to verify a candidate's result. You choose which organisation can see your photo, by giving them your ID number and the secret number which is provided to you by the Centre.
- Malpractice: The centre will strictly deal with any malpractice(s) adopted by the applicant, including Impersonation, Tampering / Adjusting seating plan with malpractice in mind, copying / collusion, disrupting the test in any manner, removing or copying or attempting to remove or copy any test material from the examination room, doing anything that might in any manner damage the integrity and security of the CAE Exam etc., as per guidelines of Cambridge ESOL and the local law of the land. The examination of such candidates will be CANCELLED and the candidate will be DISQUALIFIED. The candidate can also be liable to prosecution and may be prohibited from taking the CAE exam in future, as per the decision of the centre and law of the land, which will be binding on the candidate.
- 22. Reporting Malpractices / Frauds: The candidate must know the current exam fee and the same can be checked online on www.CAEexam.com. The candidate also understands and agrees that she / he MUST NOT pay to anyone, any more fee on account of the test. The candidate also understands and agrees that the candidate has not indulged in or has intention of indulging in any form of malpractice, such as using an imposter to sit the test on the candidate's behalf, submitting forged document including the passport or use any other unlawful means including bribery or payment for any undue favors from anyone. The candidates also agree that if found guilty, the candidate's statement of result will not be released and the exam will be cancelled and there would be no refund to the candidates. The candidate also understands and agrees that such matters may be reported to the government and law enforcing agencies and necessary action under the law may be initiated against candidates found to indulging in such acts. The candidate agrees to inform the CAE Ethics Officer on Email: EthicsOfficer@CAEexam.com immediately, if the candidate is approached by anyone offering fraudulent services or similar offering in lieu of getting desired scores. All information will be dealt in strict confidence
- Results: The 'Statement of Results' will normally be posted online on the Cambridge ESOL website on the 14th Day of the CAE exam. The Certificates will be dispatched a week later.
- Delay in results: Cambridge ESOL takes all necessary steps to release the results within the stipulated period. However, in view of the quality assurance audits, including re-checking etc., in some cases, the results may be delayed. Candidates will be informed by Email as provided on the application form about such delay including the revised result release date, by the Centre. Cambridge ESOL and / or the Centre will not be held responsible for any delays that may be caused in view of such quality assurance activities and no claims or refunds would be entertained.
- Withheld results: In some cases and as a result of quality assurance activities, exam day complaints leading to investigation, the results may be required to be withheld and these results may be released later and in phases after necessary verification / investigations have been completed.
- Result Validity: The statement of result are valid for life. However, the candidates are advised to check with the receiving body, institution, visa office, immigration office etc. regarding the validity as they may set their own validity.
- Enquiry on Results (EOR) Re-mark: The results conveyed by the Cambridge ESOL will be final. However, applicant may apply for an Enquiry on Result (EOR) - Re-mark of their test results, if they so desire. Please check with the centre, regarding the procedure for applying for EoR, when to apply and the fee charged.
- Test Terms and Conditions: Once an application is submitted, it will be assumed that the applicant has read and understood all the terms and conditions herein. The terms and conditions can be modified and / or changed as deemed fit, by the centre, without giving prior notice. Such modified terms and conditions once communicated to the applicant would be applicable and binding on the applicant.
- Errors & Omissions: Cambridge ESOL and the Centre will take full precautions that the test procedures, administering of the test and declaring of results are handled as per the guidelines of the Test Partners and in the most professional manner and that, no errors or omissions are committed. However, in case any errors or omissions are reported / brought to the notice by the applicant, the same would be taken up and necessary action / remedial measures would be taken. The decision of Cambridge ESOL and / or Centre in such case will be final and binding on the applicant. No claims or compensations of any nature would be entertained / applicable

Declaration: If you are 18, or over 18 years of age

I wish to be admitted for a Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) exam at the centre listed on this form and for the date listed here. I will bring a valid photo ID with me on the test day, and I consent to have my photo taken by the centre on the day of the Speaking test and/or the written papers. I agree for this photo to be held on the secure Cambridge ESOL Results Verification site, and the photo shall only be available to organizations/ individuals that I give my details to or that I authorise to view my result via a download. I consent that these organizations/individuals can use these details to verify my examination result.

Candidate's Signature: __ Candidate's Name: ___ Place:

By signing this form I declare that I am aware of and agree to comply with the Terms and Conditions for this examination.

Declaration: If you are under 18 years of age

I am the parent/legal guardian of the candidate named on this form and the candidate and I give consent to this person taking the Cambridge English: Adavanced (CAE) exam.

I understand that all individuals who want to take Cambridge English: Advance (CAE) exam are required to agree to all of the Terms and Conditions (a copy of which has been provided by the centre).

I confirm that I have carefully reviewed the Terms and Conditions, including but not limited to, the provision of a valid photo ID for the exam day and that a photo will be taken of the candidate on the day of the test and will be stored on Cambridge ESOL's secure Results Verification website. I understand and accept that the photo shall only be available to organizations/individuals that the candidate gives their details to. I consent that these organizations/individuals can use these details to verify the candidate's examination result.

By signing this form, I consent to and agree that the candidate listed on this form will comply with all the terms and Conditions of the Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) exam at this centre.

Signature of the Parent/Guardian:	Name of the Parent/Guardian:
Date:	Place:

Note: If you need any clarification / assistance, please feel free to get in touch with the centre.

Website: www.CAEexam.com :: Email: helpdesk@CAEexam.com



Frequently Asked Questions

Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE)



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Please tear off the FAQ pages and retain for your ready reference General questions

Is Cambridge English: Advanced the same as the Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)?

Yes, Cambridge English: Advanced is just another name for the same globally recognised exam, Certificate in Advanced English or CAE.

Who offers CAE? Is it the same organisation that offers IELTS?

Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) is developed & offered by University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations (Cambridge ESOL). Cambridge ESOL also develops IELTS (International English Language Testing System) which is jointly owned and managed by British Council, IDP: IELTS Australia and Cambridge ESOL.

When will I receive my exam results?

Statement of Results, which has the Scores and Grades achieved by a candidate, is published on the Cambridge ESOL website after 14 days of the exam. In some cases, result may be delayed in view of audit, sample monitoring or investigation in which case the candidate is notified about any delay by Planet EDU-ExtraExams. In case you do not receive your result, you may get in touch with Planet EDU-ExtraExams by Email: helpdesk@caeexam.com / or Calling by toll free 1800 102 1050 or +91.124.468 4800 or by sending SMS 'CAE' to +91 931 102 1050

What is the valid ID proof that is required to register for the exam?

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0	Passport O Driving License												
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0	Income tax PAN card	0	Voter ID Card	0	Aadhaar card / UID card								
Addit	Additional ID for Nepalese candidates:												
0	Nagrikta Patra (National ID)												

How many days before the exam can I register for the exam?

7 days before an exam date. However, please note that due to limited seats, bookings are accepted and confirmed on a first-come-first-serve basis linked to receiving the completed application form along with prescribed exam fee.

What is the CAE exam fee?

Bangladesh:	BDT 5,500/-	India:	INR 4,380/-	Nepal:	NPR 5,500/-

Duration for which the exam results valid for?

CAE is a qualification approved by Ofqual (UK Government regulator) mapped to the NQF (National Qualifications Framework, UK) and is 'valid for
life', hence there is no expiry of the scores (unlike other tests). However, the receiving organisation, institutions etc. may set their own
requirement, which must be checked by the applicant.

Can I sit the CAE exam more than once and if yes, which score will be considered?

 Yes, you can sit the CAE exam more than once. You will receive your 'Statement of Results' each time you sit the exam. It is upto you to use the best score Statement of Result.

Will the University I want to apply have heard of CAE?

• More than 12,000 organisations around the world recognise Cambridge English exams. Universities and Colleges recognise Cambridge English: Advanced / CAE as proof of being able to study at degree level in an English-speaking environment. If you need more information about which organisations recognise Cambridge English: Advanced, click the link to view the updated list of recognising institutions, organisations, government, employers etc. online recognition database.

Can I take the CAE exam when I am studying in Grade 11 or 12?

Yes, you can take the CAE exam when in grade 11 or 12. In fact if you take the CAE exam when you are in grade 11 or 12 and if you are able to receive an 'A' grade, you will also gain 70 UCAS tariff points, which will help you in applying to UK Universities for an Undergraduate / Degree programme, through UCAS.

Who should take Cambridge English: Advanced?

• Cambridge English: Advanced is a high-level test of English for people who need to prove their ability to use English for studying to degree level at College or University, or as a professional in an English-speaking or international environment. To find out if you are ready to take Cambridge English: Advanced, take Cambridge ESOL's free online language test now.

How secure is the Cambridge English: Advanced exam?

• All Cambridge English exams follow a detailed code of practice, which ensures they meet the highest standards of security throughout the testing process. Certificates are printed on security-enhanced paper and include a number of other concealed security features to prevent forgery and malpractice. In addition, Colleges, Universities and employers can check the authenticity of any Cambridge English certificate by using Cambridge ESOL's free Online Verification Service.

What are the differences between the Computer-based (CB) and Paper-based (PB) versions of CAE?

• Computer-based (CB) & Paper-based (PB) versions of CAE are the same exam, administered under different conditions. They lead to exactly the same certificate and are scored in exactly the same way. The two versions allow candidates more choice of how they take the exam.

Where can I take the exam?

Planet EDU – ExtraExams offers the CAE exam at many locations, throughout Bangladesh, India and Nepal. In addition, 'Special Sessions' on fixed exam dates are also organised at Institutions, Universities, Schools, Colleges and Corporates or at cities that are not listed below (subject to a minimum of 25 candidates). As of now the CAE exams are available in the following locations:

Bangladesh:

Dhaka	Syllhet
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India:

Ahmedabad	Amritsar	Bengaluru	Baroda / Vadodra	Chandigarh	Chennai
Coimbatore	Delhi	Dehradun	Gurgaon	Hyderabad	Jallandhar
Kochi	Kottayam	Ludhiana	Navsari	Mumbai	Patiala
Pune	Rajkot	Surat			

Nepal

Kathmandu

How do I register for the exam?

- Registering for the CAE exam with Planet EDU-ExtraExam is easy:
 - On-line registration: with payment by credit card Log on to www.CAEexam.com and click on to "Apply online" tab.
 - Paper application: Logo on to www.CAEexam.com, go to 'Download' section, download the application form, complete it, attach the fee by way of Demand draft drawn in favour of "Planet EDU", payable at New Delhi and send the completed form to the nearest Planet EDU office or courier it to "Planet EDU-ExtraExam, 304 (3rd Floor), Park Centra, NH-8, Gurgaon 122001, Haryana". If you want you can pay the fee to the nearest HDFC bank branch by using the special Bank Deposit Slip, whichcan be downloaded as part of the form. Please attach the copy of the bank deposit slip with your application in case you have deposited the fee at the HDFC Bank.
 - O <u>At our Enrolment Centre</u>: You can visit your nearest 'Enrolment Centre' of Planet EDU-ExtraExams and book for your exam there. To view the list of the enrolment centre nearest to you, log on to www.CAEexam.com and go to the link "Contact us" to find a center.
 - By Telephone: You can call our helpdesk number at Toll free 1800 102 1050 or on +91.124.468 4800 between 10 am to 6 pm during Monday to Saturday (except public holidays) and register by providing your details over the phone. You can make the payment separately or provide your credit card details to the operator.

What are the Exam dates?

CAE exams are offered in both Computer base (CB) & Paper based (PB) formats. Log on to www.CAEexam.com, and click on the link "Exam dates" to view the dates and cities where the exams are available. You can also call toll free on 1800 102 1050 or +91.124.468 4800 or send an SMS "CAE" to +91 931 102 1050.

How are CAE results presented?

Every candidate who takes the exam successfully receives two documents, a Statement of Results and a Certificate. The Statement of Results provides a score and a grade the candidate has achieved in the exam. The score is shown as a number on a scale of 0 to 100 and can be compared with IELTS band scores. The grade a candidate is awarded relates to their score. A grade of A, B or C is awarded depending on what score a candidate has achieved. The table provides an outline of the Scores, Grades and the CEFR level

Score	Grade	CEFR level
80 – 100	Α	C2
79 – 75	В	C1
60 – 74	С	
45 – 59	Level B2	B2

Australia and Australian Student visa related questions

I want to study in Australia. Can I take the CAE test instead IELTS?

Yes. The Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC), Australia accepts Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) scores for student visa application purposes from 5 November 2011. DIAC will accept all Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) scores of 32 and higher for exams taken up to two years before the implementation date of 5 November 2011. Exact scores for different visa categories and assessment levels can be checked on the DIAC website www.immi.gov.au

Why is CAE a good test for Australian student visas?

• CAE is a high-quality, established, secure and reliable test aimed specifically at people who want to study and work in a demanding English speaking environment. It gives much more in-depth assessment of the relevant language skills than most other tests on the market, which means that students and the institutions where they study can be sure that they really have the language skills they need to live and study in Australia. The CAE exam also provides the advantage of 'Average Scoring', which is particularly beneficial for students applying for student visa as the DIAC accepts the overall score of CAE as compared to other exam where a minimum score in each module of the exam is required.

What CAE scores are accepted by DIAC, Australia?

■ DIAC accepts all *Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE)* scores of 32 and higher for exams taken up to two years before a candidate's application. Exact scores for different visa categories and assessment levels must be checked on the DIAC website www.immi.gov.au.. The table below provides the CAE with IELTS comparison as approved by DIAC.

IELTS Band score	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5	9.0
Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) scores	32	36	41	47	52	58	67	74	80	87	93

For student visa applications, in addition to the minimum overall CAE score, does DIAC also require minimum scores in the five papers (Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening and Use of English)?

At this stage, DIAC does not require a minimum score for each of the five CAE papers for student visas. As specified in the Migration Regulations, where evidence of an English language test is required for student visa applicants, the applicant must meet the overall CAE score required for the relevant Student visa subclass and Assessment Level.

What do the candidates need to provide DIAC to assist them in result verification?

- DIAC has updated the Paper and eVisa application forms for Student visa to allow candidates to provide details about CAE exam and its score.
 Applicants who want DIAC to view and verify their results must provide DIAC with two pieces of information.
 - O Their ID Number (a sequence of 9 letters and numbers)
 - O Their Secret Number (a four digit number)

Both of these pieces of information can be found on the Confirmation of Entry, which every candidate receives on the day of the exam from Planet EDU - ExtraExams. If the candidate has lost their Confirmation of Entry, they can get in touch with the Planet EDU-ExtraExams helpdesk by Email: helpdesk@caeexam.com or Calling by toll free 1800 102 1050 or +91.124. 468 4800 or by sending SMS 'CAE' to +91 931 102 1050

How long does DIAC, Australia accept a CAE result as valid for Student Visa?

The Migration Regulations state that an English language proficiency test score is valid for two years from the date of the test. If an applicant takes CAE up to two years before their application and achieves the required overall score, then they will be able to meet the evidentiary requirements prescribed in migration legislation for Student Visa.

Will the CAE exam score be acceptable for any other visa subclasses apart from Student visas?

No. The CAE exam scores currently, only apply to Student visa applications. DIAC, Australia, will be reviewing acceptance of CAE scores for other visa categories after 12 months.

How will DIAC verify CAE results?

Like all recognising organisations, DIAC, Australia will use Cambridge ESOL's Online Results Verification Service to verify CAE results. They will use the Results Verification Service, as it's the only wholly authoritative source of information for verifying results for immigration purposes since it is completely secure and cannot under any circumstance be tampered with.

UK and UK Border Agency related questions

I am planning to study in UK. Can I take the CAE exam?

Yes. The UK Boarder Agency has approved the CAE exam for the new Tier 4 visa and also for other visa categories e.g. Tier 1 and Tier 2 How will I gain UCAS tariff points for admissions in a UK University?

If you secure an 'A' grade in the CAE exam, UCAS will award you with 70 UCAS tariff points that will be very helpful when applying for admission in a University or College in the UK for an Undergraduate / Degree course.

Is there a validity of the scores in UK as in Australia? How long are the CAE scores valid?

No. The UK Boarder Agency (UKBA) recognises the CAE scores as 'valid for life'. Click on this link to view the updated list from the UKBA. http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/applicationforms/new-approved-english-tests.pdf

Exam format, Training & Resource related questions

What all is covered in the CAE exam?

The CAE exam has a total of 5 papers. These are Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking and a new paper called Use of English.

What is the 'Use of English' paper? What does it cover?

To provide in-depth assessment of language at the levels tested by CAE, candidates have to demonstrate that they have sufficient understanding of vocabulary, grammar and the other aspects of the use of English to be able to communicate in non-routine and unpredictable education or employment situations. The CAE Use of English paper requires candidates to demonstrate their ability to apply their knowledge of English vocabulary and grammatical structures appropriately at the kinds of levels needed for work and study. This is simple objective type, multiple choice, gap filling test and can allow candidates to gain extra marks which can help in increasing their overall scores, which will be especially helpful when applying for student visa to Australia

What is the Exam format for the CAE and what are the advantages when compared with the IELTS test?

• The CAE exam format, its modules, duration, highlights and advantages are listed in the following table:

Module / Paper	Duration	Content / Highlights	Advantages when compared with IELTS
Reading	1 hr. 15 mins.	4 Sections34 questions	 15 min. extra time Lesser number of questions (40 questions in IELTS)
Writing	1 hr. 30 mins.	 2 Tasks Task 1: Compulsory – Candidates write and article, a report, a proposal, or a letter based on material upto 150 words Task 2 is choice based: Candidates must complete one task from a choice of 5. Two of the 5 questions are based on set reading texts 	 30 min. extra time No graph in Task 1 Choice in Task 2
Use of English	1 hr.	 50 questions spread over 5 parts Covers Grammar and Vocabulary Comprises Multiple choice, Gap-fill, Word formation, Key word transformation, Gapped sentences 	 Provides opportunity to get extra marks on the knowledge of grammar and vocabulary Helps in increasing the average scores, which in turn helps achieve the required overall scores as required by DIAC, for Student Visa to Australia
Listening	40 mins.	 4 sections (including transfer time) 30 questions Recording is played twice 	 Lesser number of questions Recording played twice. Helps in scoring better.
Speaking	15 mins	 Face-to-face interview Paired format. This means there are 2 candidates with 2 Examiners 	 Pairing helps in better performance Use of pictures as part of the test helps candidates perform better

What happens if in the Speaking test one candidate is better than the other?. Will The weaker candidate suffer?

• The paired format is designed to allow better performance and output from the candidate. It does not disadvantage the weaker candidate. The Examiners ensure that equal opportunity is provided to both candidates. A candidate trying to over-shadow another candidate may be penalised. Candidates can benefit from each other by getting the support of the other.

Where can I get Study material, Resources etc. to prepare?

Adequate resources, study material, books, past papers, Speaking packs, Top Tips etc. for Candidates and Trainers are available at discounted price. Log on to www.CAEexam.com and click on the link 'Study Material' to view the list of material available and its price. You can also order material online and pay by credit card. Material is normally couriered within 24 hours of receipt of the order with payment. However, in case the material requested is out of stock it may take a bit longer, in which case you will be informed.

Is there any training programme available?

Planet EDU-ExtraExams has specially designed International training programme with CAE exam focus available, which are delivered through their authorised Learning Centres. The course includes Work Book for students, Assignments which are marked by trained experts and candidates are provided inputs. This course also gets the candidate a Certificate, which may be of help as well. To find the nearest Learning Centre, log on to www.CAEexam.com and go the 'Contact Us' section and click on the link 'Learning Centres'.

Is there any training programme available for Trainers?

Planet EDU-ExtraExams has specially designed training programme for Trainers. The training programme includes; how best to prepare students for the CAE exam, using Planet EDU course which includes teacher handbook, PowerPoint presentations, activities, assignments etc. The trainers also receive a certificate of Participation. For details Email: helpdesk@CAEexam.com, or Call Toll free 1800 102 1050 or +91.124.468 4800 or SMS 'CAE' to +91 931 102 1050

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