

# Duolingo

The Duolingo English Test is a tool that measures your English language skills, including reading, writing, speaking, and listening. As you navigate through this adaptive test, the complexity of the questions fluctuates based on your responses. Besides multiple-choice questions, you'll also respond to open-ended queries to evaluate your English communication abilities. All your responses are graded by the computer. Additionally, you have the option to participate in a video interview and provide a writing sample.

For those contemplating studying abroad, many U.S. colleges and universities necessitate evidence of English proficiency from potential international students. This test has emerged as a favored substitute to the SAT, ACT, or TOEFL for this requirement.

## Duolingo exam pattern: Know about the different sections

The Duolingo English test pattern 2023 is divided into two sections.

1. Adaptive Test - Graded Portion: This part includes speaking, writing, listening, and reading exercises for the adaptive test.
2. Video Interview - Ungraded Portion: This component includes a written sample and a video interview.

A unique feature of the DET exam pattern is that one of the sections is adaptive in nature. This means that the difficulty level of the questions will increase with every correct answer and the difficulty level will decrease with every wrong answer.

### Duolingo English Test Pattern Section Overview

Name of the section	Skills that are tested	Duolingo exam time duration
Adaptive section	Reading, writing, speaking and listening	45 minutes
Video interview	Responses to open-ended questions	10 minutes

**Score Range: 10-160**

**Cost of the test: US\$49**

Here is a detailed description of the sections that form the Duolingo exam pattern

**Adaptive Test:** The adaptive test section will require you to answer the following short questions:

1. Choose original words after listening to a few spoken words
2. Choose the original words from the list of written ones.
3. Fill in the blanks
4. Create a visual representation by writing or reading aloud.
5. Record your response while you speak out aloud.
6. Respond to a question out loud.
7. Type out a sentence while you listen to it.

### **Sectional Details of Duolingo Exam Pattern**

There are various sections in the adaptive test of the Duolingo test format. The details of the each section the Duolingo exam format are given below.

**C-test** - The C-test in the Duolingo English test pattern measures the writing modality by assessing the knowledge of vocabulary and grammar. In this the damaged or missing letters of the words in the short passages are to be filled.

**Yes & No Vocabulary** - This section of the DET test pattern assesses the vocabulary knowledge of the candidate. Among many group of words the words that are correct in spelling have to be picked in this task.

**Dictation** - It is one of the integrated tasks in the Duolingo English test pattern which assesses listening and writing skills. Candidates listen to short passages and transcribe it with the keyboard.

**Elicited Imitation**- The imitation in the Duolingo English test format DET test pattern is an integrated task that tests reading and speaking abilities. The task requires the candidate to understand the sentence and repeat it by speaking.

**Interactive reading** - In the interactive reading section of the DET exam pattern different reading tasks like reading for comprehension, and reading to learn are given.

**Interactive Listening**- The interactive listening in the DET test pattern measures the listening, reading, and writing but focuses more on the listening processes. The question exhibits conversations involving students, teachers, and other university-oriented.

**Extended Writing** - In the extended writing of the DET exam pattern, three picture description tasks and 2 independent writing tasks based on prompts are given.

**Extended Speaking**- These tasks ask the test taker to describe a topic or image something like experience, demand an argument for 5 mins and 90 seconds

**Video interview and writing test:** The duration of this section is 10 minutes. It contains the following sections:

1. You must speak for three to four minutes on one of the two themes the examiner will give you for the video interview section.
2. You will have to write for three to five minutes on one of the two subjects given in the writing exam part.