**What is CEFR Levels?**

CEFR levels are a common platform to assess the candidate’s ability to communicate in different languages. CEFR is language-neutral and can be used for several foreign languages, including German, French, Spanish, and English. CEFR levels in IELTS are divided into**3** major levels of proficiency:

**Basic User**, **Dependent User**, and **Proficient User**.

***To understand the different levels of CEFR, let’s have a look at the following table:***

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| **CEFR Level Group** | **CEFR Level** | **DESCRIPTION OF THE LEVEL** |
| **Basic User** | **A1- Beginner** | Candidates at this CEFR level have a basic grasp of the language. They can use common phrases, introduce themselves, and describe their location. However, they may struggle to understand the language if spoken quickly and might need some assistance. |
| **Basic User** | **A2- Elementary** | Learners at the A2 CEFR level can comfortably communicate and understand daily expressions and respond to routine questions with ease. |
| **Independent User** | **B1- Intermediate** | Those at this CEFR level are a bit more advanced than A2. They can communicate more easily, travel without problems, and express their needs clearly. B1 level candidates can also put together well-structured sentences and share their opinions more effectively. |
| **Independent User** | **B2- Upper-Intermediate** | While candidates at this CEFR level have the same basic understanding as those at B1, they speak more fluently and naturally. They can form clear sentences on their own and talk easily with native speakers. B2 level candidates can also share their opinions more comfortably. |
| **Proficient User** | **C1- Advanced** | At the C1 CEFR level, candidates have advanced proficiency in a foreign language. Their fluency and vocabulary are notably strong. Individuals at this level can use the language effectively for academic and professional purposes, and they can speak, read, and write with ease. |
| **Proficient User** | **C2- Proficient** | C2 is the highest level of language proficiency. Candidates at this level can use the language effortlessly, without any restrictions or difficulties. They can argue or present their opinions clearly and understand the subtleties of the language. Those at C2 are as fluent as native speakers. |