If you are an international student looking to study in a university in an English speaking country, then you may need to take a TOEFL test. TOEFL is an acronym of the Test of English as a Foreign Language, which is the official name for the test. It assesses your ability to both speak and understand English by analyzing your English ability in terms of reading, speaking, listening, and writing. These are all skills which will be needed to carry out your academic studies and the test is used by institutions to ensure students are able to proceed and succeed in their chosen course in a country where the curriculum is taught in English.

The TOEFL test is usually conducted in the form of an online test, but if the test center does not have an internet connection then a paper-based test can be offered.

Who needs to take a TOEFL test?

The TOEFL test has been taken by over 27 million people worldwide to ensure their English ability is adequate. The test is often taken by students who are planning to study at a university abroad and scholarship candidates, along with students and workers who are applying for visas and English-language learners tracking their English progress. Keep an eye out on the requirements for university courses, as it will be stated there whether you are required to take the TOEFL and the minimum grade required to apply for the course.

Why take a TOEFL test?

Educational institutions and governmental agencies in over 130 countries accept TOEFL scores when considering applications for certain positions or courses. As an admission requirement, you may find that some courses require a minimum TOEFL score which will allow you to proceed onto the course alongside the regular course requirements. Minimum score requirements can range between 61 and 100 depending on the institution and course.

The result you receive in your TOEFL test will only be valid for two years, after those two years they are no longer recorded, so if you’re looking to apply to study abroad after this time, you will have to sit the test again. It is important to ensure you take the test in time for your application if the result is part of the requirements; if you are only studying a course which lasts a year the same TOEFL results could be used to improve your opportunities for working in a foreign country also.

If it is part of the requirements for your admission then it is important to research in more depth and be prepared for the different elements of the test. Here are the different elements of each test:

Internet test (TOEFL iBT)

– A reading section of between 60-100 minutes which involves reading 3-5 passages, containing 12-14 question in each.  
– A listening section of between 60-90 minutes which involves 6-9 passages, containing 5-6 questions in each.  
– A speaking section which lasts 20 minutes and involves 6 spoken tasks.  
– A writing section which last 50 minutes and involves 2 tasks which need completion.

Paper-based test (TOEFL PBT)

– A listening section of between 30-40 minutes consisting of 3 parts  
– A structure and written expression section lasting 25 minutes which includes 15 exercises of sentence completion and 25 examples for error identification  
– A reading section which lasts 50 minutes and includes answering 50 questions about passages.  
– A writing section which lasts 30 minutes, which involves one written essay containing around 250-300 words.

The main difference between the two formats is the spoken section of the test which is replaced by structure and written expressions section in the paper-based test.

It is important to check the admission requirements for your chosen university or institution to see if TOEFL results are required for entry prior to apply. Once you have your TOEFL results, remember that a record of them only lasts for 2 years, so make the most of the hard work and money you put into it and improve your future prospects.

The reason that why do you need to be at ELITE:

As the introduction which are given above will help you to find out all about the TOEFL test that in this regard Elite facilitates for you to get your desire score by joining the classes which are designed according to its need, we conduct the classes by 6 to 10 students which cover all the required aspects for the test by trainers who have trained hundreds of students to get their scores into the best way. The senior trainer who has the experience of TOEFL for almost 10 years, evaluates the students weekly, and monthly with the test sample of TOEFL and covers all their weak points, after being sure to get higher score, will be asked to pass the original test.