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Reading

Starting out	Description
Format: eBook, video	Information about the IELTS reading test, including explanations of question types
Advice and tutorials	Description
Format: video	Title: IELTS Reading Advice Advice on how to improve performance in the IELTS reading test
Practice zone	Description
Format: Interactive activities, organised into eleven individual sets	<p><u>Set 1</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short answer questions• Table completionTopic: Leisure and entertainment</p> <p><u>Set 3</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matching headings to paragraphs• Multiple choiceTopic: Travel, tourism and transport</p> <p><u>Set 5</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Classification• Yes, No, Not givenTopic: Art and culture</p> <p><u>Set 7</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matching headings to paragraphs• Sentence completion• Diagram completion• Multiple selectionTopic: Work and business</p> <p><u>Set 9</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matching headings to sections• True, False, Not given• Multiple selection• Sentence completion• Yes, No, Not given• Summary completionTopic: Education</p> <p><u>Set 2</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matching information to paragraphs• Sentence completionTopic: Language and communication</p> <p><u>Set 4</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagram completion• True, False, Not givenTopic: The environment</p> <p><u>Set 6</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple selection• Summary completion• Table completion• True, False, Not givenTopic: Health and fitness</p> <p><u>Set 8</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Classification• Matching• Yes, No, Not given• Short answer questionsTopic: Society and social issues</p> <p><u>Set 10</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matching• Table completion• Diagram completion• Short answer questions• Sentence completion• Multiple selectionTopic: The developing world</p>

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	<p><u>Set 11</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matching headings to paragraphs• Classification• Multiple choice• Yes, No, Not given• Matching causes to effects• Summary completion <p>Topic: Science and technology</p>
Test practice	Description
Format: PDF download	Three downloadable mock test papers of the IELTS reading test; includes model answers

Listening

Starting out	Description	
Format: eBook, video	Information about the IELTS listening test, including explanations of question types	
Advice and tutorials	Description	
Format: video	Title: IELTS Listening Advice Advice on how to improve performance in the IELTS listening test	
Practice zone	Description	
Format: Interactive activities, organised into twelve individual sets	<p><u>Set 1</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short answer questions• Table completion <p>Topic: Leisure and entertainment</p> <p><u>Set 3</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple choice <p>Topic: Travel, tourism and transport</p> <p><u>Set 5</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Form completion• Classification <p>Topic: Art and culture</p> <p><u>Set 7</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Table completion• Short answer questions• Labelling a diagram <p>Topic: Health and fitness</p>	<p><u>Set 2</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sentence completion• Matching <p>Topic: Language and communication</p> <p><u>Set 4</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Form completion• Labelling a diagram <p>Topic: The environment</p> <p><u>Set 6</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple selection• Summary completion <p>Topic: Mass media</p> <p><u>Set 8</u></p> <p>Question types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Form completion• Multiple selection• Multiple choice• Sentence completion <p>Topic: Work and business</p>

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	<p><u>Set 9</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Form completion• Multiple choice• Classification• Summary completionTopic: Society and social issues</p> <p><u>Set 11</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple selection• Multiple choice• Sentence completion• Matching• Labelling a diagramTopic: The developing world</p>	<p><u>Set 10</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Table completion• Form completion• Short answer questions• Sentence completion• Classification• Diagram completionTopic: Education</p> <p><u>Set 12</u> Question types:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Form completion• Multiple selection• Short answer questions• Sentence completion• ClassificationTopic: Science and technology</p>
Test practice	Description	
Format: PDF download, mp3	Downloadable mock test papers of the IELTS listening test, with accompanying audio files and model answers	

Speaking

Starting out	Description
Format: eBook, video	Information about the IELTS speaking test, including explanations and tips on delivering the best possible performance
Advice and tutorials	<p>Format: video</p> <p>Title: IELTS Speaking Advice Advice on how to improve performance in the IELTS speaking test</p> <p>Title: What the examiner is looking for IELTS experts provide insight into how examiners assess candidate performance in the speaking test.</p> <p>Title: Advice: What do I talk about? Advice and tips on how to deal effectively with subjects about which you have insufficient knowledge</p> <p>Title: Advice: Coping with nerves IELTS experts provide advice on managing stress on test day.</p> <p>Title: Tutorial: Interview Phase 2 An analysis of the individual long turn phase of an IELTS speaking test, with commentary on the candidate's performance and score</p> <p>Title: Tutorial: Interview Phase 3 An analysis of the two-way discussion phase of an IELTS speaking test, with commentary on the candidate's performance and score</p>

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Format: Interactive activities, organised into twelve individual sets	<p>Set 1 Video clips and practice exercises for answering general questions about yourself in Phase 1 of the speaking test</p> <p>Set 3 Introduction and tips on Phase 3; video analysis of candidates' performance in Phase 3</p> <p>Set 5 Advice and strategies on speaking fluently and confidently; video analysis of what to say when you are asked about a topic you do not know much about</p> <p>Set 7 Preparing effectively for the speaking test; review of how examiners assess candidates; video analysis of how to talk extensively on a topic</p> <p>Set 9 Techniques for making comparisons; phrases for speculating; video analyses of two candidates making speculations</p> <p>Set 11 Techniques for expanding on a topic; video analyses of candidates talking extensively on topics</p> <p>Set 2 How to deal with questions about yourself in Phase 2; what to do when you do not have a ready answer; making notes on speaking topics</p> <p>Set 4 Review of tenses to use when answering questions about yourself; video analysis of a candidate's performance in Phase 1</p> <p>Set 6 How to deal with Phase 2 speaking topics; responding effectively to follow-up questions; analysis of ways of stating reasons</p> <p>Set 8 Strategies on giving reasons during the individual long turn in Phase 2; video analyses on candidates talking about social problems in their countries; comparative forms</p> <p>Set 10 Effective strategies for speaking fluently in each phase of the speaking test; possible problems candidates are likely to face and how to avoid them</p> <p>Set 12 Dos and don'ts in the speaking test; video analyses on two candidates talking about a technological innovation</p>

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Format: eBook, video	Information about the IELTS writing test, including explanations of writing task types and strategies for best possible performance
Advice and tutorials	Description
Format: video	<p>Title: IELTS Writing Advice Advice on how to improve performance in the IELTS writing test</p> <p>Title: What the examiner is looking for IELTS experts provide insight on how examiners assess candidate performance in the writing test.</p> <p>Title: Advice: Writing task 2 Advice and strategies on tackling task 2 of the writing test.</p> <p>Title: Tutorial: Writing task 1 An IELTS expert analyses how well a candidate has performed in task 1 of the Academic writing test, with marks given; PDF download available.</p> <p>Title: Tutorial: Writing task 2 An IELTS expert analyses how well a candidate has performed in task 2 of the writing test, with marks and criteria given; PDF download available.</p>
Practice zone	Description
Format: Interactive activities, organised into twelve individual sets	<p><u>Set 1 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on static charts</p> <p><u>Set 2 task 2</u> Practice exercises for compositions discussing arguments for and against</p> <p><u>Set 3 task 2</u> Practice exercises for compositions giving an opinion</p> <p><u>Set 4 task 2</u> Practice exercises for compositions discussing the causes of a problem and suggesting solutions</p> <p><u>Set 5 task 2</u> Practice exercises for compositions discussing advantages and disadvantages</p> <p><u>Set 6 task 2</u> Practice exercises for compositions discussing arguments for and against</p> <p><u>Set 2 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on dynamic charts</p> <p><u>Set 3 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on tables</p> <p><u>Set 4 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on diagrams showing objects</p> <p><u>Set 5 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on static charts</p> <p><u>Set 6 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on dynamic charts and graphs</p> <p><u>Set 7 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on tables</p>

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	<p><u>Set 7 task 2</u> Practice exercises for compositions giving an opinion</p> <p><u>Set 8 task 2</u> Practice exercises for compositions discussing the causes of a problem and suggesting solutions</p> <p><u>Set 9 task 2</u> Revision exercises for Writing Task 2</p> <p><u>Set 11</u> Practice exercises for a report based on a table and a dynamic chart, and for a composition giving and justifying your opinion</p>	<p><u>Set 8 task 1</u> Practice exercises for reports on diagrams showing processes</p> <p><u>Set 9 task 1</u> Revision exercises for Writing Task 1</p> <p><u>Set 10</u> Practice exercises for a report based on a table and a static chart, and for a composition discussing arguments for and against</p> <p><u>Set 12</u> Practice exercises for a report on a diagram showing a process, and for a composition discussing the causes of a problem and suggesting solutions</p>
Test practice	Description	
Format: PDF download	Three downloadable mock test papers of the IELTS writing test; includes model answers	