

## **LIST OF ALL INTERNATIONAL EXAMS**

**Below are exams that should be considered:**

- TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)
- GRE (Graduate Record Exam)
- GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test)
- SAT (Scholastics Aptitude Test)
- ACT (America College Test)
- IELTS (International English Language Testing System)
- LSAT (Law School Admission Testing Program)
- MCAT (Medical College Admission Test)
- DAT (Dental Admission Testing Program)
- PCAT (Pharmacy College Admission Test)
- OAT (Optometry Admission Testing Program)
- PTE (Pearson Language Test)

## **PURPOSE OF THE EXAMS**

### **English Proficiency Tests**

Whether you are looking to demonstrate proficiency to a potential employer or to a school, there are several widely recognized tests and examinations you can choose from. Each has unique benefits, so do your research to determine which one best suits your needs.

#### [IELTS](#)

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is an English language proficiency test that measures the listening, reading, writing and speaking skills of people who are interested in studying or working in environments where English is the language used. IELTS is accepted by more than 9,000 organizations in over 140 countries, including 3,000 institutions in the United States, and recognizes American, Australian, and British varieties of English. Last year, more than 2.9 million tests were taken around the world.

#### [TOEFL](#)

The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) evaluates your ability to listen, read, speak and write English at the university level. Accepted by over 10,000 colleges and universities in the US, UK, Canada and Australia, over 30 million people have sat for the TOEFL test in over 130 countries. If you need to improve your TOEFL score or want to be as prepared as possible before taking the test. TOEFL is a 4-hour long computerized test, assessing a candidate on 4 major English skills - reading, writing, listening and writing.

There is also a paper-based version of the test.

## [TOEIC](#)

The Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) measures English proficiency, specifically as it is used in real-life situations in the workplace. This exam evaluates your ability to listen, read, speak and write English. The TOEIC is used by employers to hire, place and promote employees.

## **Undergraduate College Admission Tests**

Most U.S. Colleges and Universities require either the SAT or ACT test as a requirement for consideration as an undergraduate applicant. Each requires careful preparation, so review the basics for each and learn how to walk into the examination with confidence.

### [SAT](#)

The Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) is a globally recognized exam used for college admissions - your exam scores are used as a predictor of your success in college. This exam is typically taken in your junior or senior year of high school and will test your abilities in reading, writing and math. SAT is for admissions into undergraduate programs in the United States and Canada. SAT is a written test; it tests students' language skills and mathematical skills.

SAT is administered by the College Board. The exam has 2 types of formats - with an essay and without an essay, each lasting for 3 hours and 3 hours 50 minutes. The exam is scored on a scale of 200 to 800 points. The exam fee is around 40 to 60\$ based on whether you take up the essay section or not.

### [ACT](#)

The American College Test, or ACT, is a national standardized test used for college admissions. It is used as a measurement of aptitude and critical thinking. Subjects tested on the ACT include English, Math, Reading, Science, and an optional Writing section. Students generally take the ACT during their junior or senior years of high school.

## **Graduate School Admissions Tests**

There are a variety of graduate level entrance examinations which can be taken, depending on the program of study and the school to which you are applying. Carefully review the requirements for each and learn how to prepare effectively for the tests.

### [GRE](#)

The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) measures your ability to handle graduate-level work through verbal, quantitative, and analytical reasoning questions. Used in admissions at graduate

and business schools worldwide, applicants from over 160 countries take this computer-based or paper-based exam.

### [LSAT](#)

The Law School Admission Test, or LSAT, was designed to measure reading comprehension, logical reasoning, and analytical thinking skills necessary for success in law school. Most law schools require this exam and your success will determine the likelihood of acceptance during the admission process.

### [MCAT](#)

If you plan on applying to a medical school, you will need to take the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT). The MCAT exam is designed to measure your problem solving, critical thinking and knowledge of science. This multiple choice exam has been an important admissions component for over 80 years.

### [GMAT](#)

The Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) is used to measure analytical writing, integrated reasoning, and quantitative and verbal skills. The GMAT exam is accepted by more than 5,800 business and management programs around the world and has been used in the admission process for over 60 years.

### [DAT](#)

The Dental Admission Test, or DAT, is a test administered to students seeking admission into dental school. The exam is conducted by the American Dental Association, or ADA. The exam consists of an optional tutorial, survey of natural sciences, perceptual ability test, reading comprehension test, quantitative reading test, and an optional post-test survey.

### [OAT](#)

The OAT exam, or the Optometry Admissions Test, is a standardized test used by optometry schools and admissions committees to test the knowledge of potential applicants. The test is administered by the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry.

## **Pearson Language Test (PTE)**

[PTE](#) is accepted by major universities and colleges in the United States, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United Kingdom. It assesses your ability to communicate effectively by testing your reading, writing, speaking, and listening ability.

The test score is valid for 2 years and is scored against the global scale of English. Check out what your PTE score stands for -

There is no age bar for taking up the PTE test. You must be at least 16 years of age. The exam fee is around 13,000, and the exam happens multiple times in a year. PTE doesn't have eligibility criteria per se. The exam happens online, for a duration of 3 hours.

#### **WHERE YOU CAN REGISTER AND WRITE THE EXAMS IN NIGERIA**

1. Registration is online - <https://ielts.idp.com>
2. Exam centers in Nigeria include;
  - ABAKALIKI
  - ABEOKUTA
  - ABIA
  - ABUJA
  - AKURE
  - ASABA
  - AWKA
  - BENIN
  - ENUGU
  - IBADAN
  - IFE
  - ILORIN
  - KANO
  - LAGOS
  - MAKURDI
  - OSOGBO
  - OWERRI
  - PORT HARCOURT
  - SANGO OTA
  - UYO

#### **ORGANIZATIONS IN CHARGE OF THE EXAM**

1. IELTS is jointly owned by the British Council, IDP: IELTS Australia and Cambridge English
2. TOEFL : US-based (Educational Testing Service)
3. PTE is a unit of the Pearson PLC group  
Pearson Language Test
4. Sat or Act is owned solely by the college board

#### **FEES**

SAT Registration Fee: N65,000. SAT Rescheduling Fees: N25,000. Score reporting charges: N10,000.

IELTS Registration Fee: N89,500, N89,000

TOEFL Registration fee: \$182 (US Dollars) or: 75,580.40 Nigerian Naira (NGN)

SAT Registration Fee: N65,000. SAT Rescheduling Fees: N25,000. Score reporting charges: N10,000.

PTE registration fee: N85,000

#### **PASS MARKS**

Moreover, a majority of the renowned educational institutes across the world require an **IELTS total score of 7.0 band with section scores of 6.5 band** as IELTS exam eligibility.

**There is no a passing score for TOEFL test**, because each university or other institution sets its own requirements (or passing score ) for TOEFL. The minimum result for TOEFL iBT normally varies from 61 points (for example, Bowling Green State University) to 109 (Harvard).

PTE scores range from 10-90; however, **there is no passing PTE score**. Candidates scoring anywhere between 65-75 is considered to be a good PTE score for admission to top universities. For other universities, a PTE score between 50-63 is widely accepted.

MOST OF THESE EXAMS PASS SCORE DEPENDS ON THE UNIVERISTY REQUIREMENTS.