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# B1 Preliminary

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# Agenda

- Cambridge University Press and Assessment
- Structura examenelor, resurse si strategii
- Recunoasterea certificatelor Cambridge
- Ce putem face inainte de examene



## **107 de ani de experiență și cunoștințe în predare, învățare și evaluare**

- 25,000 de universități, angajatori și entități guvernamentale
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Pregatirea si examinarea sunt **placute, eficiente si recompensante**

Examenul are la baza cercetari **facute de experti**

Pregatirea si certificatele **motiveaza si dezvolta abilitati practice (de comunicare si de examinare)**

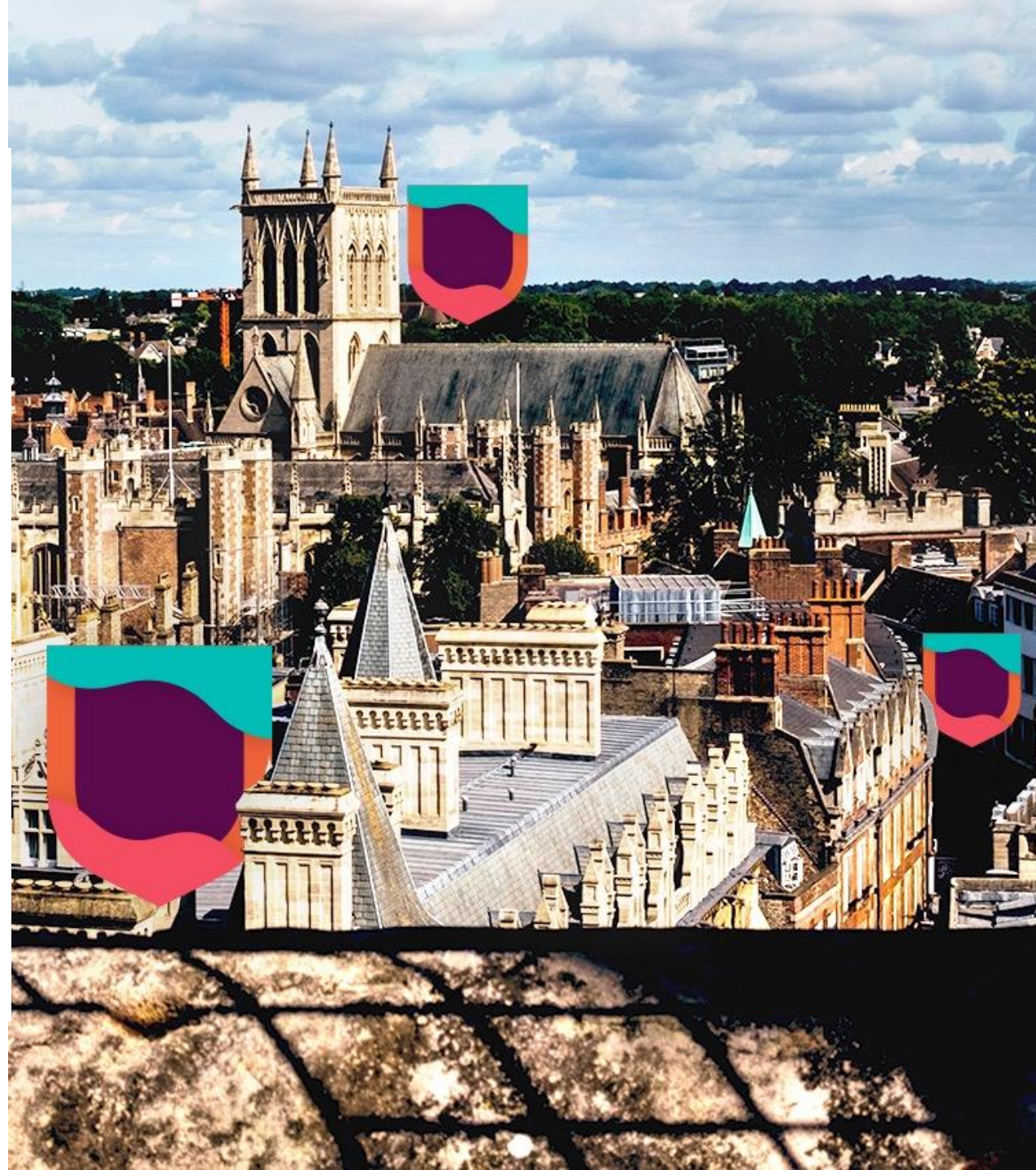
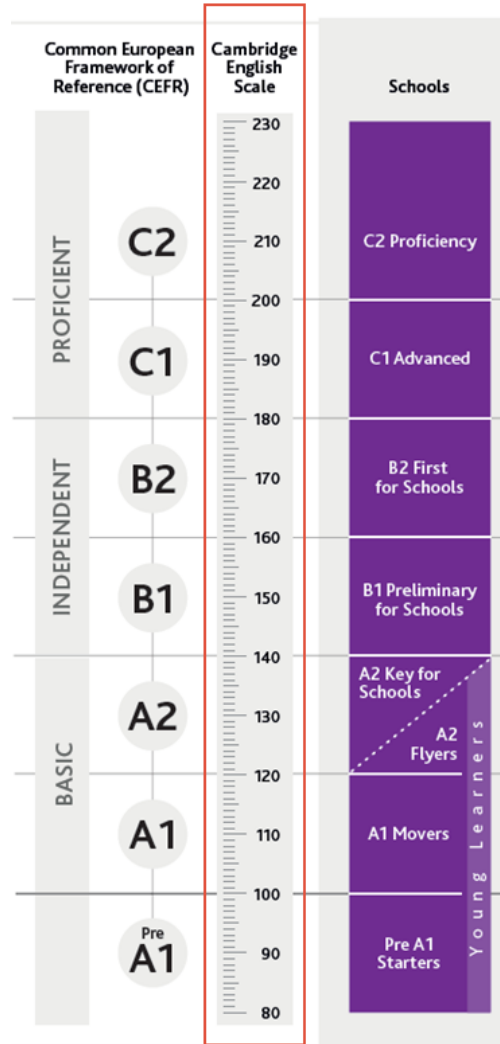


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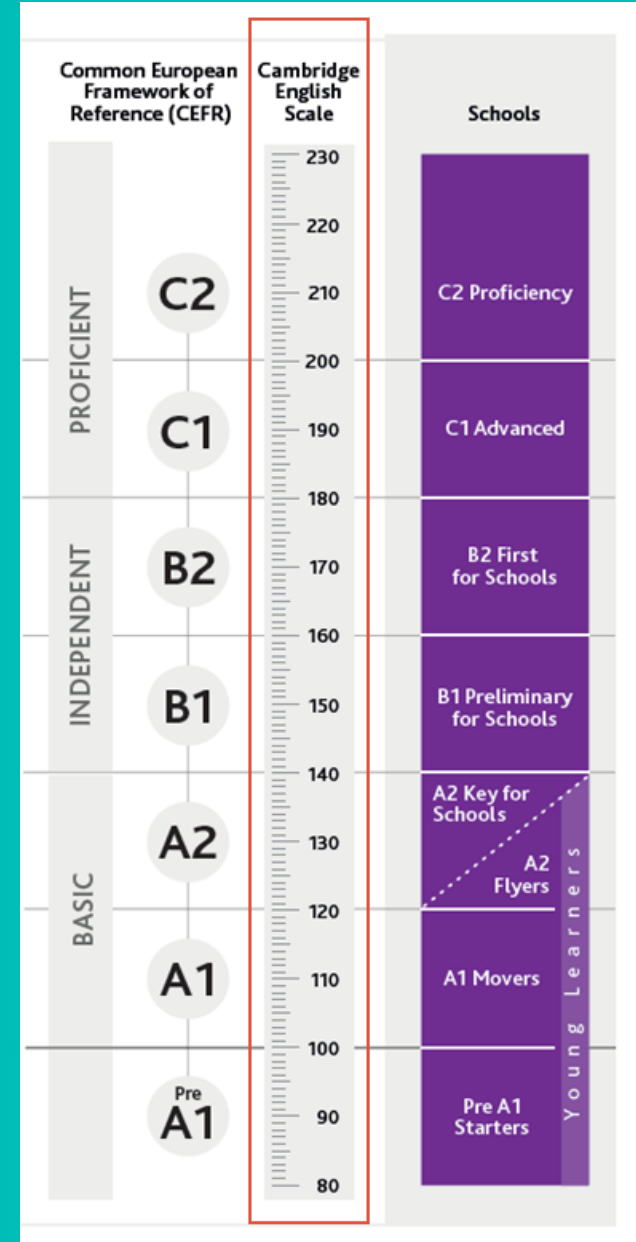
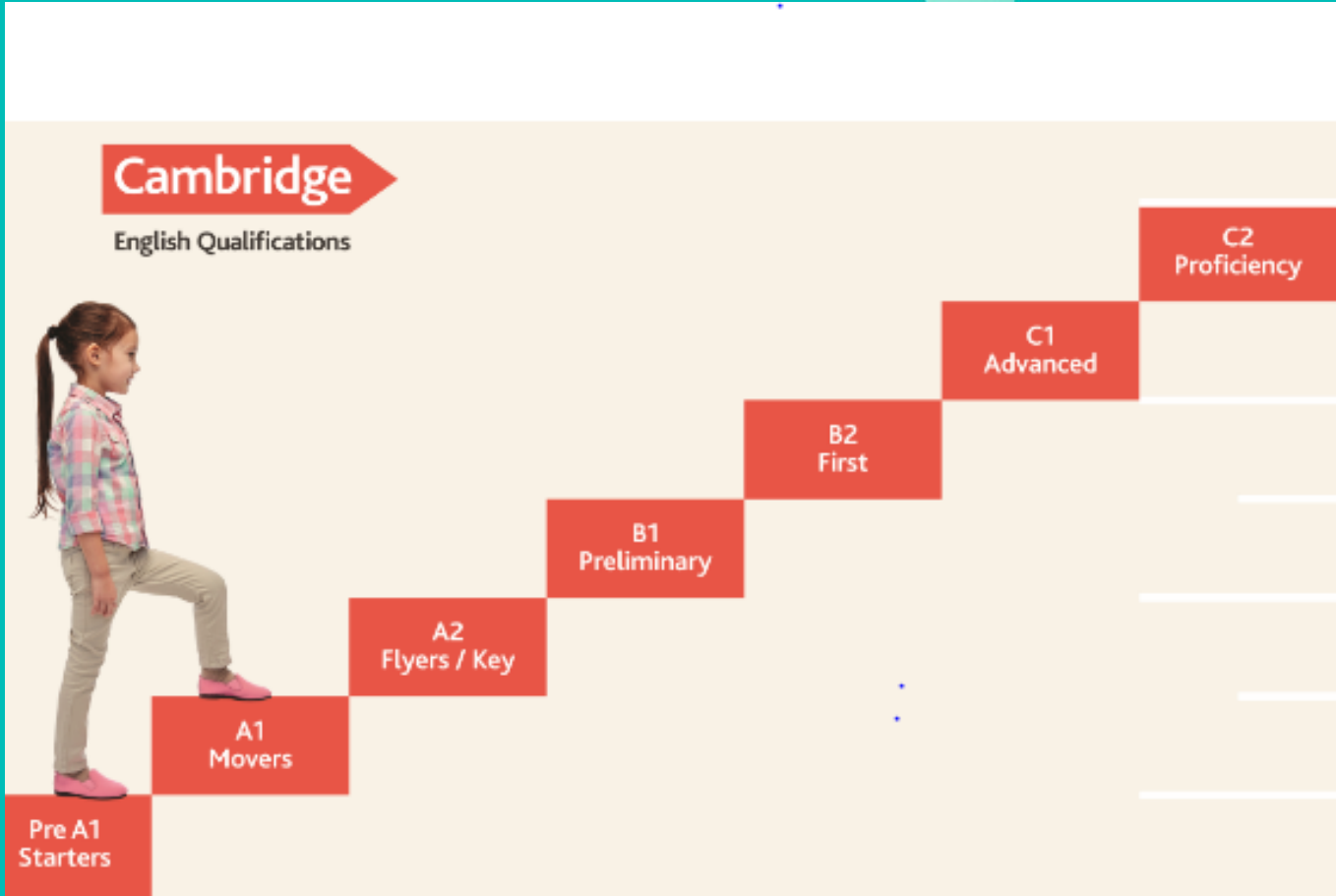
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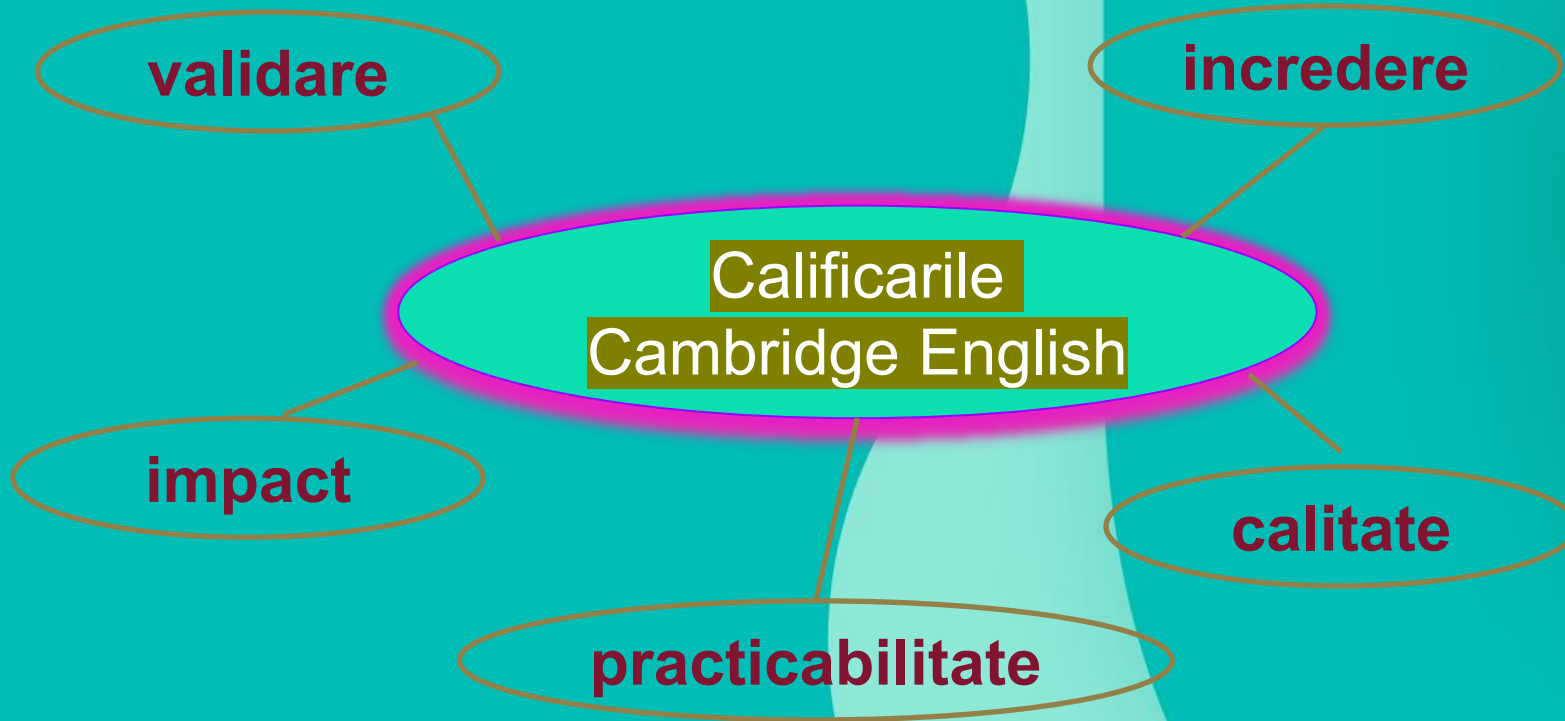
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# Structura examenelor

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# Structura examenului B1 Preliminary

| Paper details   | What's in the paper?   | What do you need to do?   |
|---|--|---|
| <br><b>Reading</b><br>45 minutes          | The Reading paper has six parts. The tasks include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• answering multiple-choice questions on short and longer texts, including notices, signs, messages, articles and websites</li> <li>• matching people to the correct short text</li> <li>• completing gap-fill tasks (with and without multiple-choice options)</li> <li>• completing a gapped text by choosing the correct sentence.</li> </ul>                | You need to be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• understand real-world messages</li> <li>• read and choose the correct word or answer</li> <li>• choose the correct words to complete a text</li> <li>• understand details, general meaning, writer's attitude and opinion</li> <li>• show understanding of how a text is structured.</li> </ul>        |
| <br><b>Writing</b><br>45 minutes          | The Writing paper has two parts. The tasks include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• writing an email to respond to information</li> <li>• writing an article or a story on a topic.</li> </ul>  | You need to be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• write texts of about 100 words</li> <li>• respond to an email and include all the content points</li> <li>• <i>either</i> write an article on a topic <i>or</i> write a story following the first sentence, which you are given.</li> </ul>  |
| <br><b>Listening</b><br>30 minutes        | The Listening paper has four parts. The tasks include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• answering multiple-choice questions on short and longer listening texts, both monologues and dialogues</li> <li>• filling in missing words in notes or sentences while listening to a monologue.</li> </ul>  | You need to be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• listen for important information and details in short monologues and long conversations</li> <li>• listen for the main idea in short dialogues</li> <li>• listen and write down important information and spell words correctly</li> <li>• identify attitudes and opinions in an interview.</li> </ul> |
| <br><b>Speaking</b><br>About 12 minutes | The Speaking test has four parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• in the first part, the examiner asks the candidate 'getting to know you' type questions</li> <li>• in the second part, each candidate describes a photograph for about 1 minute</li> <li>• in the third part, candidates discuss a situation with each other</li> <li>• in the fourth part, candidates have a general conversation with each other and the examiner.</li> </ul> | You need to be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• answer questions about yourself</li> <li>• describe a photograph for about 1 minute, organising what you say</li> <li>• discuss a situation with your partner, using pictures to help you</li> <li>• talk about likes, opinions, experiences, habits, etc.</li> </ul>                                  |



# B1 Preliminary for Schools

## CEFR Level B1

|                   |                 |   |
|-------------------|-----------------|---|
| Reading           | 45 mins         | Can understand factual texts  |
| Writing           | 45 mins         | Can write about everyday subjects   |
| Listening         | Approx. 35 mins | Can understand instructions and understand main points from a talk or TV programme on familiar topics |
| Speaking          | 10-12 mins      | Can talk about reactions to films, music, etc. and give practical instructions                        |
| Total exam length | 135-137 mins    |   |

# B1 Preliminary for Schools Reading

## This car runs on chocolate!

Scientists have built a 300kph racing car that uses chocolate as a fuel! The project is (21) ..... to show how car-making could (22) ..... environmentally friendly. The car meets all racing car (23) ..... apart from its fuel. This is a mixture of waste chocolate and vegetable oil, and such 'biofuels' are not (24) ..... in the sport yet. It has to be mixed with normal fuel so that all parts of the car keep working.

Carrots and other root vegetables were used to make some parts inside and outside the car. Even the mirrors are made from potatoes! The sides of the car (25) ..... a mixture of natural materials from plants as well as other recycled materials.

The project is still young, so the scientists have not yet found out how 'green' the car is. They are planning many experiments to compare its (26) ..... against that of normal racing cars.

21 A intended B wished C decided D insisted

22 A develop B move C become D arrive

23 A levels B standards C grades D orders

24 A allowed B let C ruled D agreed

25 A store B involve C collect D contain

26 A operation B performance C display D technique

# B1 Preliminary Writing

Write your answer in about 100 words on the answer sheet.

## Question 1

Read this email from your English teacher Mrs Lake and the notes you have made.

**EMAIL**

From: Mrs Lake

Subject: End of year party

Dear Class,

I'd like our class to have a party to celebrate the end of the school year.

We could either have a party in the classroom or we could go to the park. Which would you prefer to do?

What sort of activities or games should we do during the party?

What food do you think we should have at the party?

Reply soon!


Anna Lake

*Great!*

*Explain*

*Suggest ...*

*Tell Mrs Lake*



Write your email to Mrs Lake using all the notes.

# B1 Preliminary for Schools Listening

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## Questions 8 – 13

For each question, choose the correct answer.

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8 You will hear two friends talking about a campsite they have been to.

What did the boy like best about it?

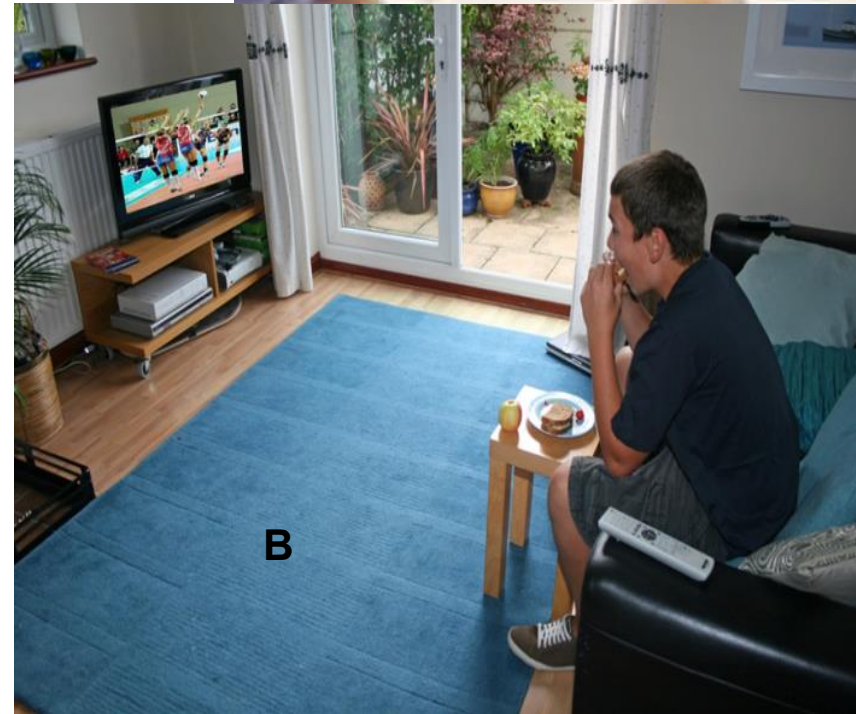
- A It was very close to the beach.
- B There were lots of people his age.
- C The activities were free.

9 You will hear two friends talking about homework.

The girl thinks that doing homework with friends

- A is fun.
- B helps concentration.
- C takes longer than doing it alone.

# B1 Preliminary for Schools Speaking



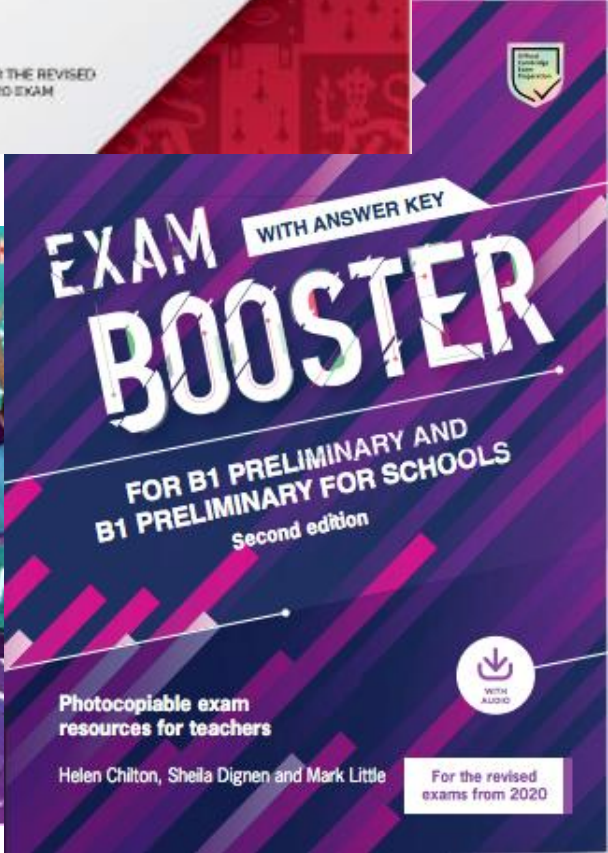
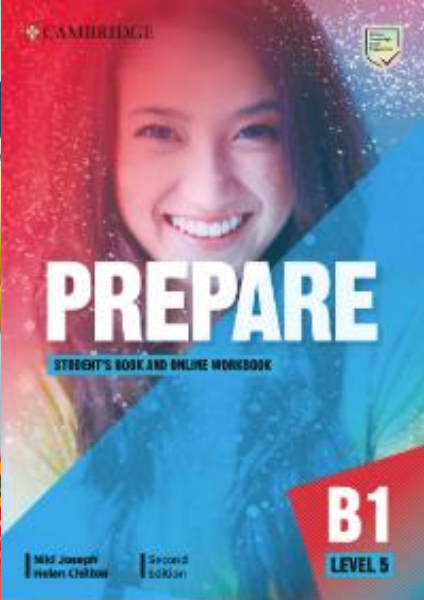
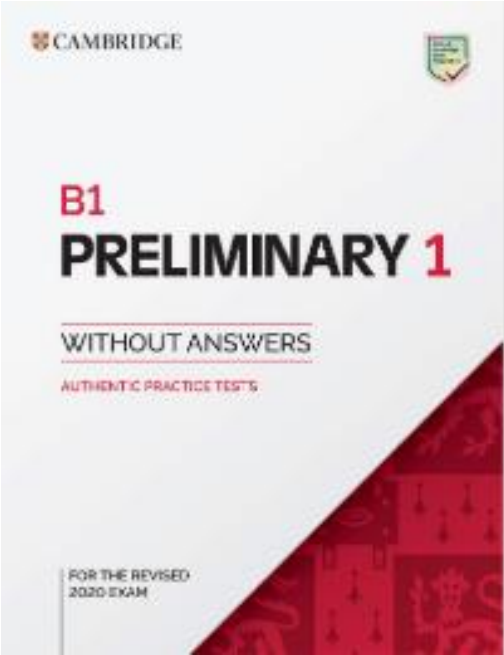
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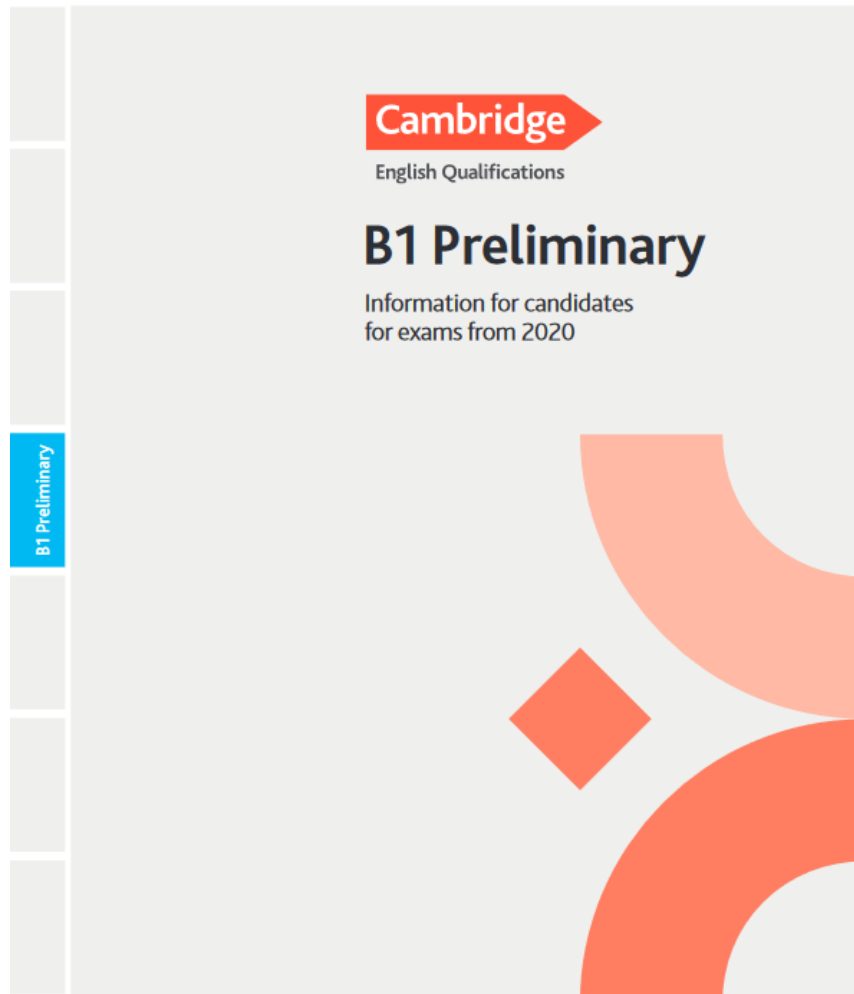
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- « Biblia »: the *Information for candidates booklet*



**In the exam room:**


- Listen carefully to the instructions which the invigilator will give you. Make sure you follow all the instructions.
- If you have any questions, need help or want to leave the room, raise your hand to ask for help. Do not talk to other people, or try to see what other candidates are writing.
- For computer-based exams, follow the instructions on your computer screen carefully.




<https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/Images/557770-b1-preliminary-information-for-candidates.pdf>

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### LANGUAGE LEVEL

A2 (1)

B1 (1)

### RESOURCE TYPE

Classroom Audio (2)

### FILE FORMAT

Zip File (2)

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- Play and learn! Play and learn! Play and learn! Play and learn! Play and learn! Play and learn! Play and learn!

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## B1 Preliminary for Schools

B1 Preliminary for Schools

Exam format

Preparation

Exam dates

Results

### Who accepts B1 Preliminary?

These are just a few of the leading organisations that will accept your certificate:

- Universidad de Chile
- Freie Universität Berlin
- Tec de Monterrey
- Metrostav
- MNG Airlines
- StudyPortals

## Preparation

### Free: Paper-based sample test

 [Download sample papers for B1 Preliminary for Schools](#)

### Free: Computer-based sample tests

You will need to use the Firefox browser to access these sample tests. You can download Firefox for free [here](#). Once downloaded, open Firefox and use the links below to view the tests.

[Watch this tutorial](#) before you start to help you understand what you need to do.

**Check your answers as you do the test. Once the test has finished you will not be able to check them.**

[Reading sample test](#)

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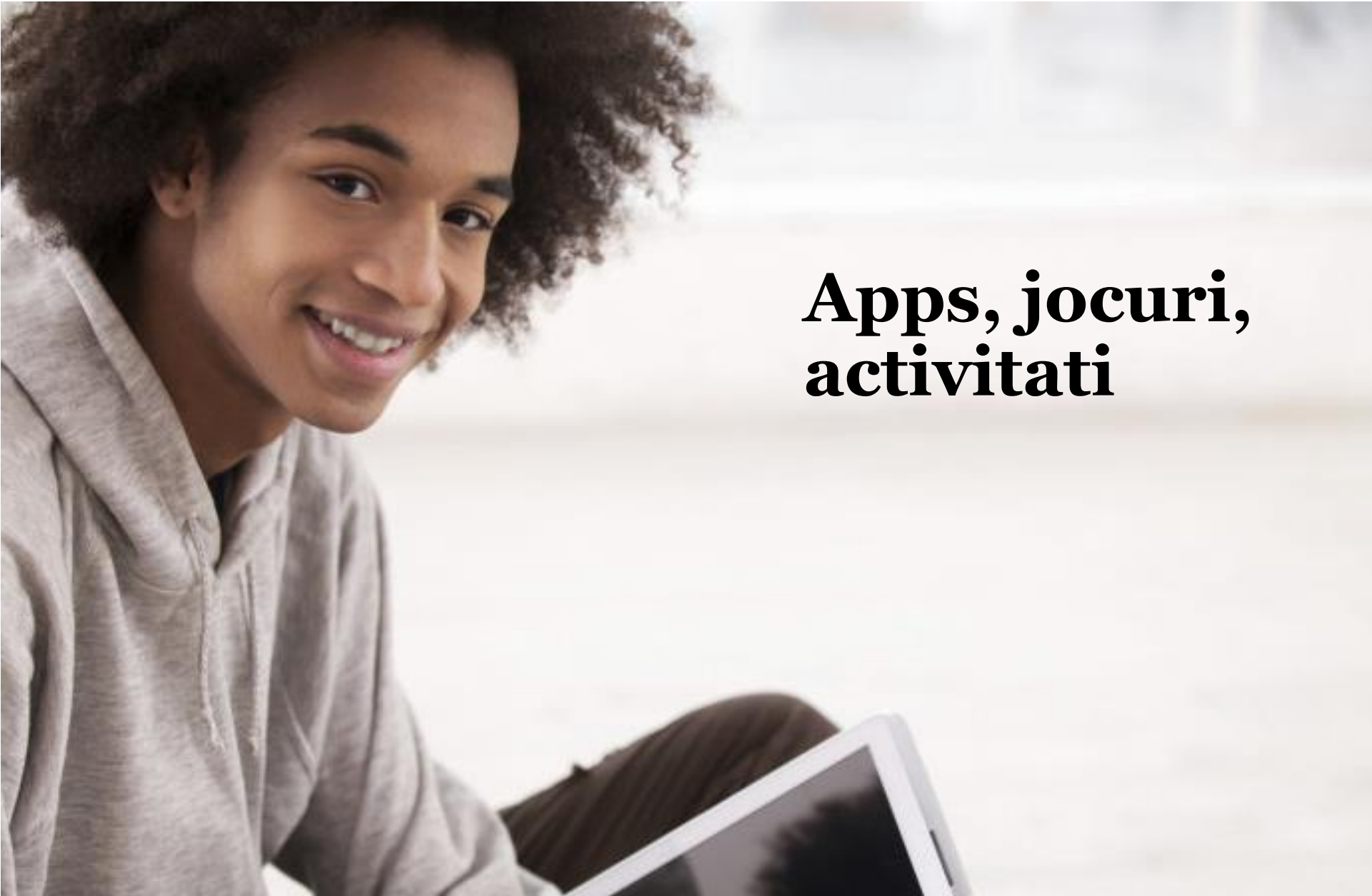
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- Youtube filme cu proba orala
- Liste de cuvinte



chatroom (n)  
cheap (adj)  
check (v)  
cheese (n)  
chef (n)  
chemist (n) (Br Eng) (Am Eng: drugstore)  
chemistry (n)  
cheque (n)  
chess (n)  
chicken (n)  
child (n)  
chilli (n)  
chips (n pl)  
• egg and chips  
chocolate (n)  
choose (v)  
cinema (n)  
circle (n)  
circus (n)  
city (n)  
class (n)  
• a language class  
• a first-class ticket  
classical (adj)  
classmate (n)  
classroom (n)  
clean (adj & v)  
cleaner (n)  
clear (adj)  
• It's not clear to me.  
clearly (adv)  
clever (adj)  
click (n & v)  
• Click here to go to our website.  
climb (v)  
climbing (n)  
clock (n)  
close (adj & v)  
close to (prep phr)  
closed (adj)  
closet (n)  
clothes (n pl)  
cloud (n)  
cloudy (adj)  
clown (n)  
club (n)  
• to join a club  
coach (n)  
• a coach trip  
• a tennis coach  
coat (n)  
coffee (n)  
cola (n)  
cold (adj & n)  
colleague (n)  
collect (v)  
college (n)

colour (n & v)  
comb (n)  
come (v)  
come back (v)  
• We came back from our holiday yesterday.  
comedy (n)  
comfortable (adj)  
comic (n)  
company (n)  
• What's the name of your company?  
competition (n)  
complete (v)  
computer (n)  
concert (n)  
congratulations! (exclam)  
contact (n & v)  
continue (v)  
conversation (n)  
cook (n & v)  
cooker (n)  
cookie (n) (Am Eng) (Br Eng: biscuit)  
cooking (n)  
cool (adj & exclam)  
• That's a cool bike! (adj)  
copy (v)  
corner (n)  
• the corner of the street  
correct (adj)  
cost (n & v)  
costume (n)  
• I forgot my swimming costume  
could (mv)  
• I couldn't find the information.  
• Could you lend me some money?  
• We could go to the cinema tonight.  
country (n)  
countryside (n)  
course (n)  
• a university course  
• a main course  
• of course (not)  
cousin (n)  
cover (v & n)  
• I had to cover my eyes.  
• There was a flower on the book's cover.  
cow (n)  
crazy (adj)  
cream (adj & n)  
• I like strawberries and cream.  
• Mum's cream T-shirt got dirty.  
credit card (n)  
cricket (n)  
cross (n & v)  
• Don't cross the road here! (v)  
crossing (n)  
• Use the crossing to cross the street.



**Apps, jocuri,  
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## Quiz your English app

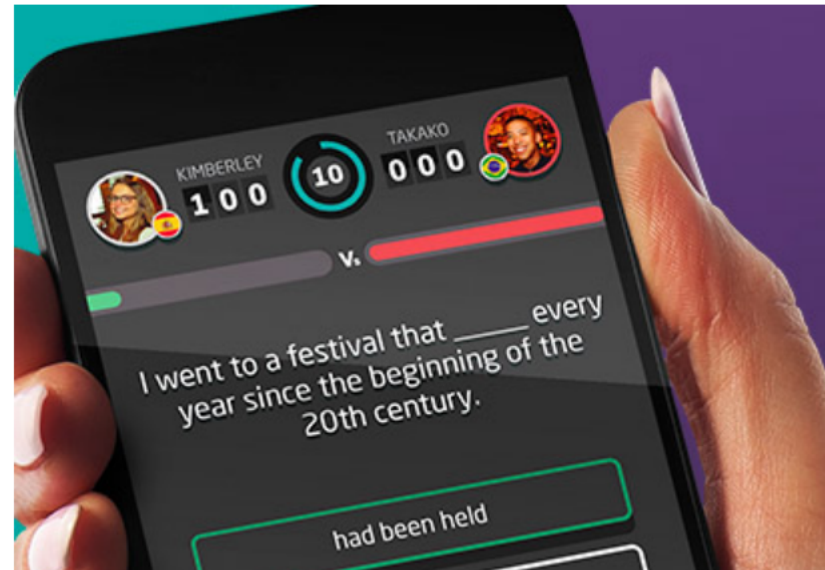
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The CEFR for English

British English

American English

## English Vocabulary Profile Online - British English

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Search

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Topic

- Select -

Part of Speech

- Select -

Hide culturally sensitive words  Yes

Category

- Select -

Grammar

- Select -

Usage

- Select -

Prefix

- Select -

Suffix

- Select -

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### My best friend

Choose the right word to fill the gap

B1-B2 | 5-10 minutes



Basic

### Which animal?

Answer some questions to learn new words to describe animals

A1-A2 | 0-5 minutes



Proficient

### Intonation

Learn how intonation can affect the meaning of certain words

C1-C2 | 0-5 minutes

# Idei de pregatire pentru proba orala

Whatsapp un coleg

Inregistreaza-te in timp ce vorbești și apoi privește filmul și încearcă să găsești lucruri care pot fi îmbunătățite: gramatică, vocabular și pronunție



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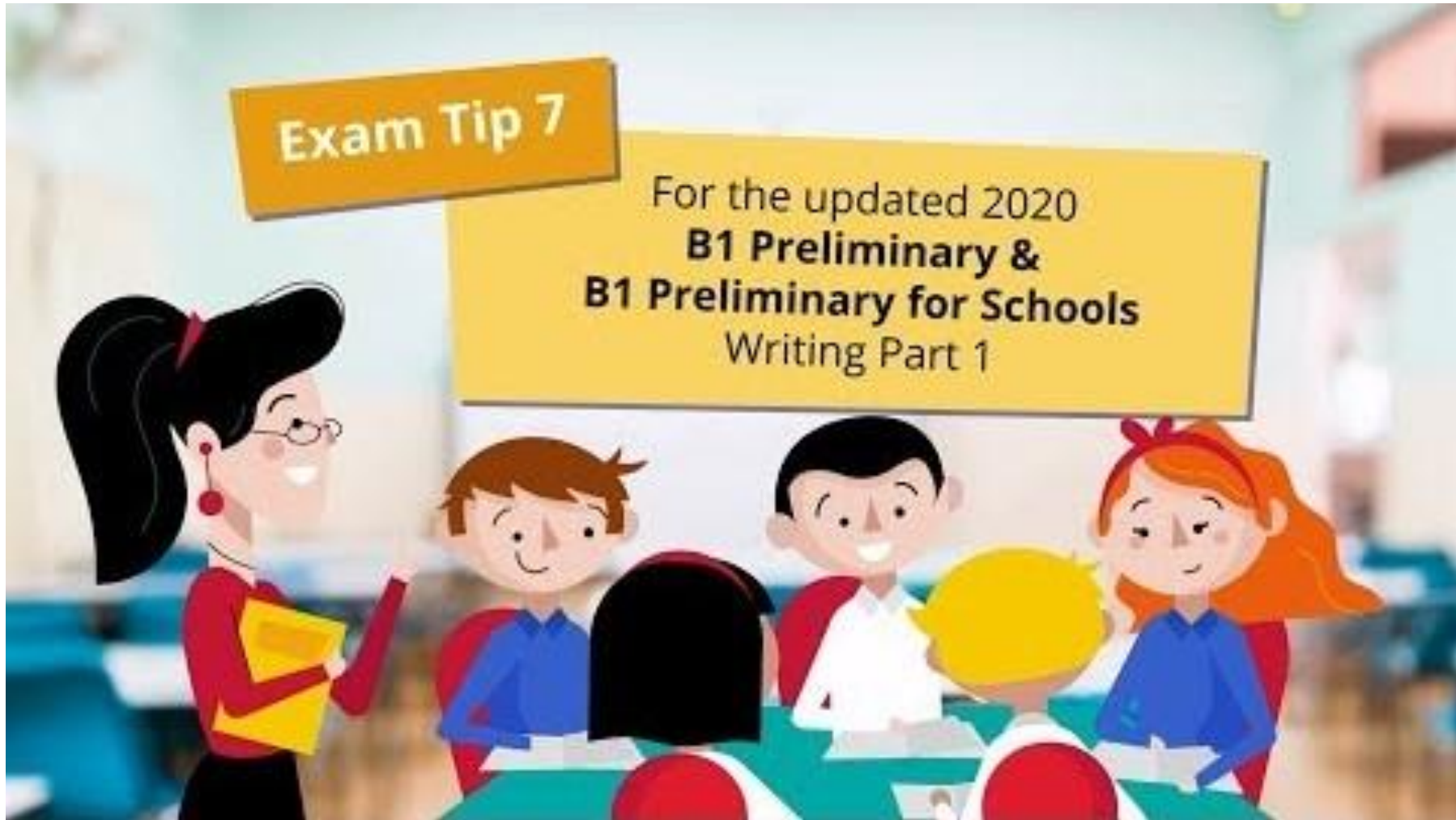
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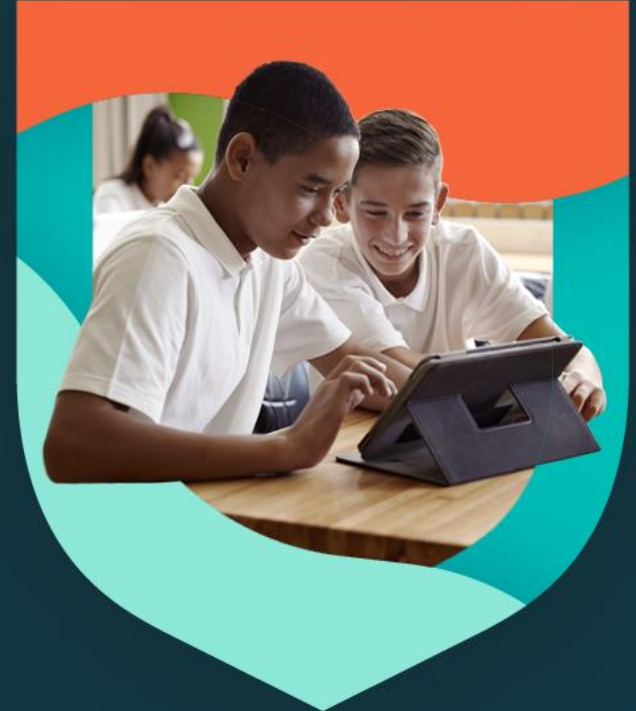
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## PARAPHRASE

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## PARAPHRASE



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## PARAPHRASE – when we use it

- Reading
- Listening
- Writing
- Speaking

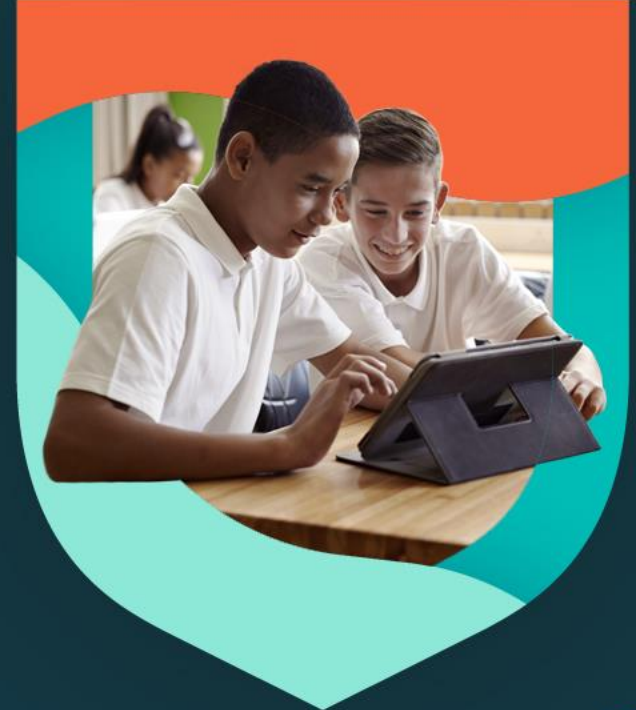
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## PREDICT – when we use it

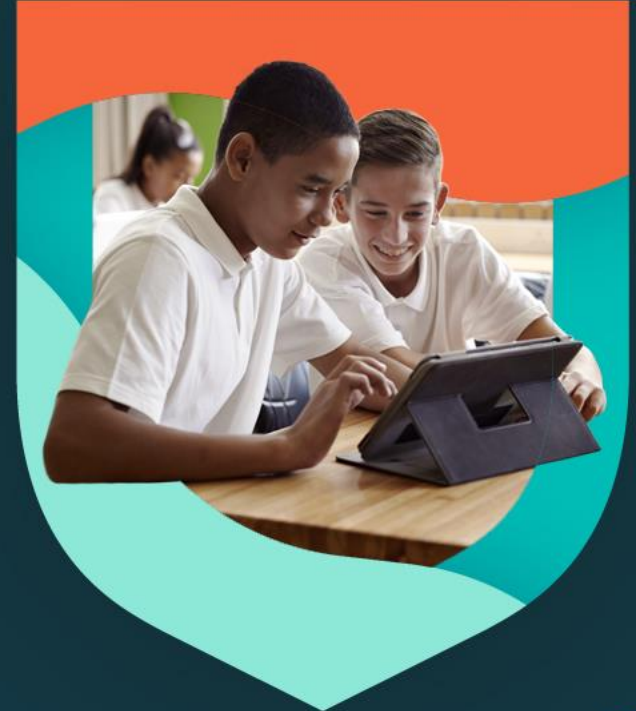
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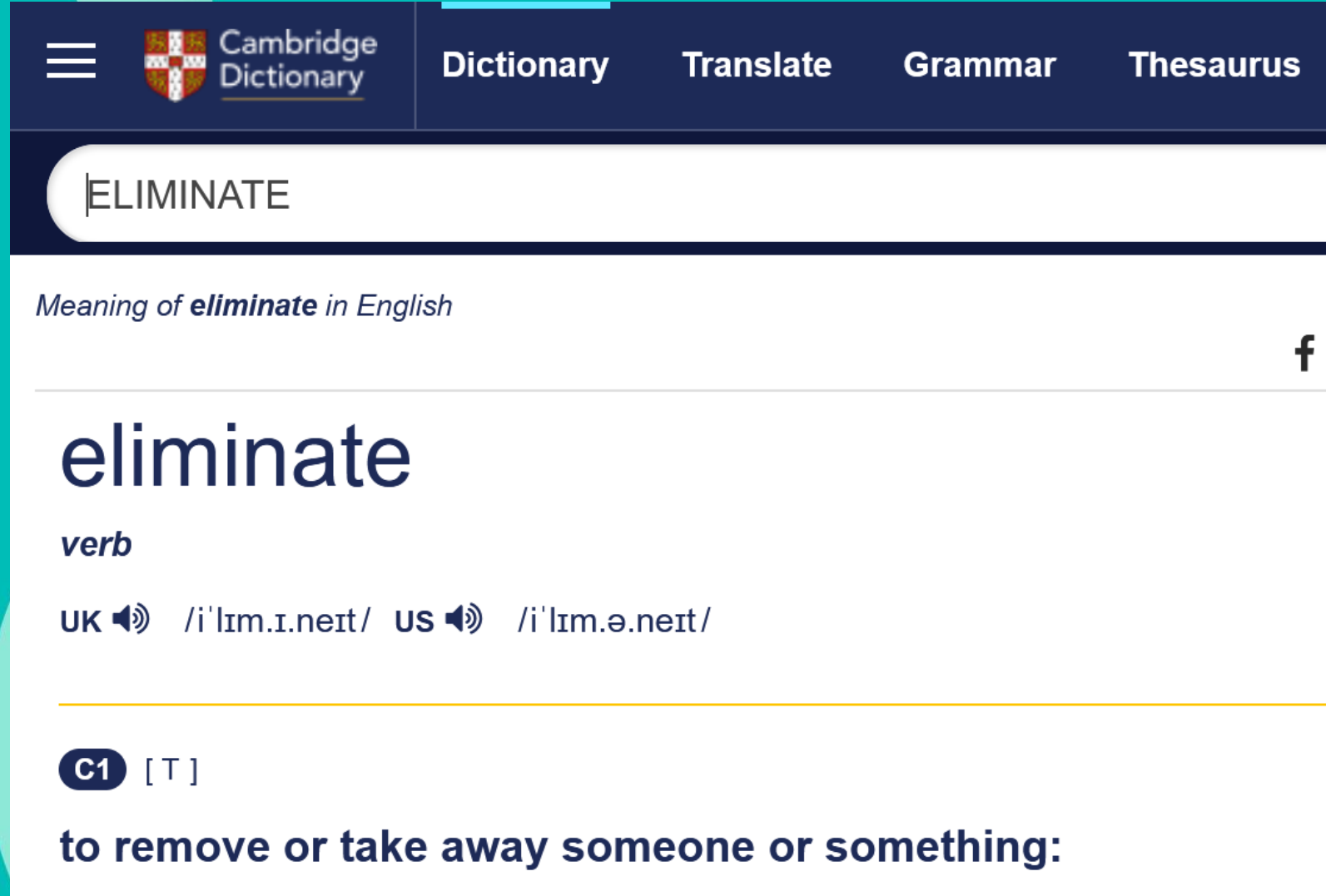
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## ELIMINATE



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Cambridge Dictionary



Dictionary Translate Grammar Thesaurus

ELIMINATE

Meaning of **eliminate** in English

**eliminate**

verb

UK  /i'lim.i.neɪt/ US  /i'lim.ə.neɪt/

**C1** [T]

to remove or take away someone or something:

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## ELIMINATE – when we use it

- Reading
- Listening



# Recunoasterea certificatelor

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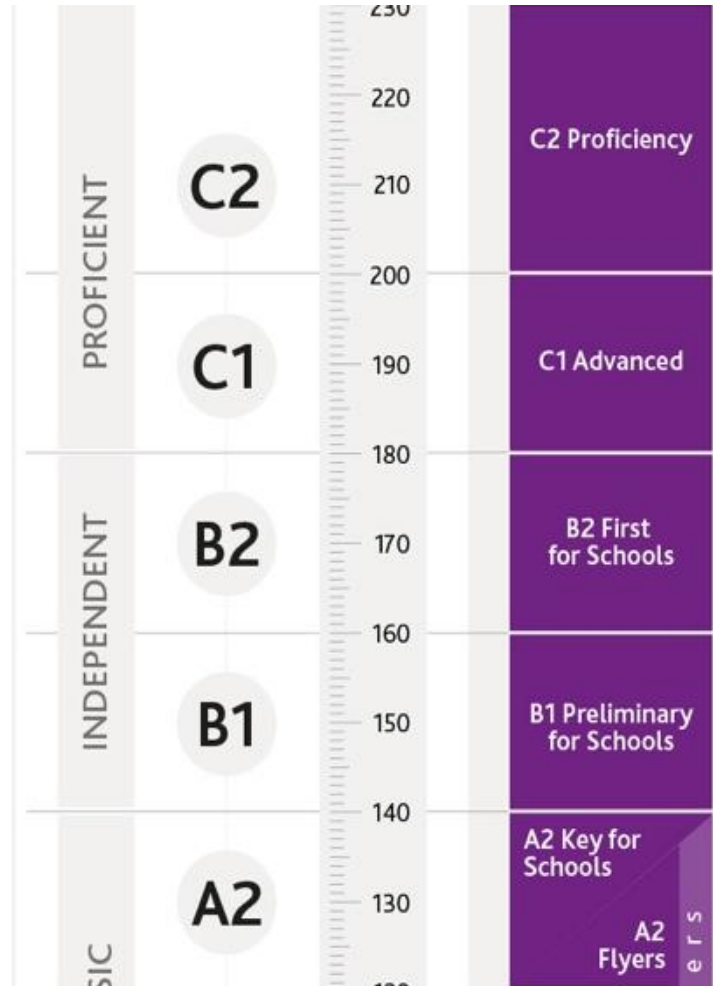




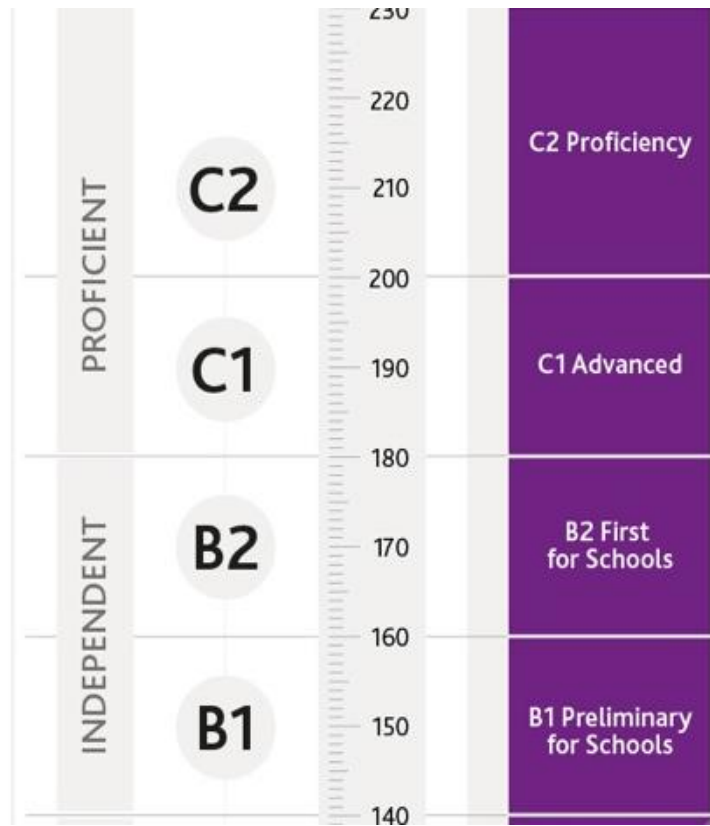
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| Reading and Writing | 150 |
| Listening           | 150 |
| Speaking            | 139 |

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|-----------|-----|
| Reading   | 140 |
| Writing   | 130 |
| Listening | 130 |
| Speaking  | 153 |

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|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Reading             | 160 |
| Writing for English | 153 |
| Writing             | 153 |
| Listening           | 141 |
| Speaking            | 168 |

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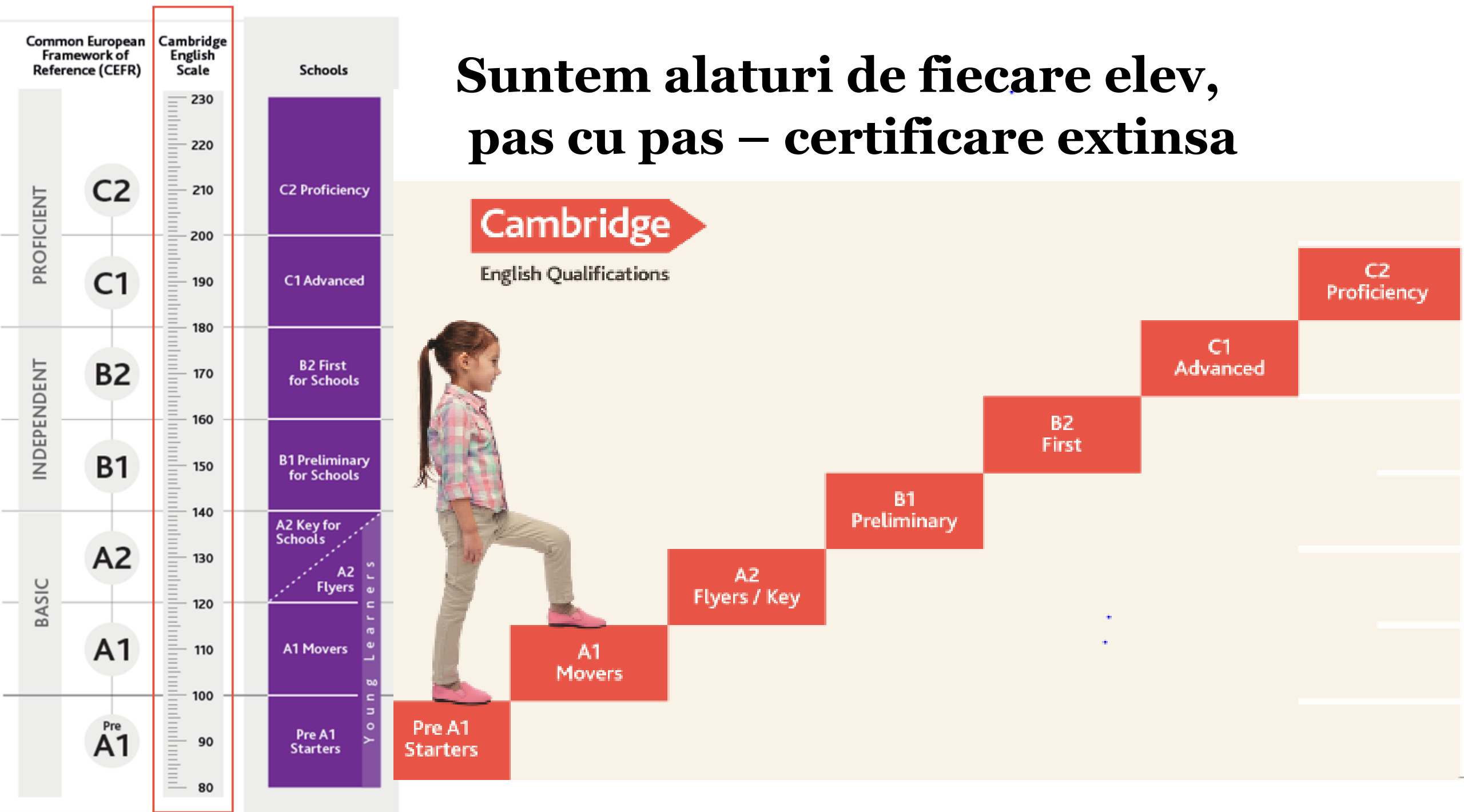


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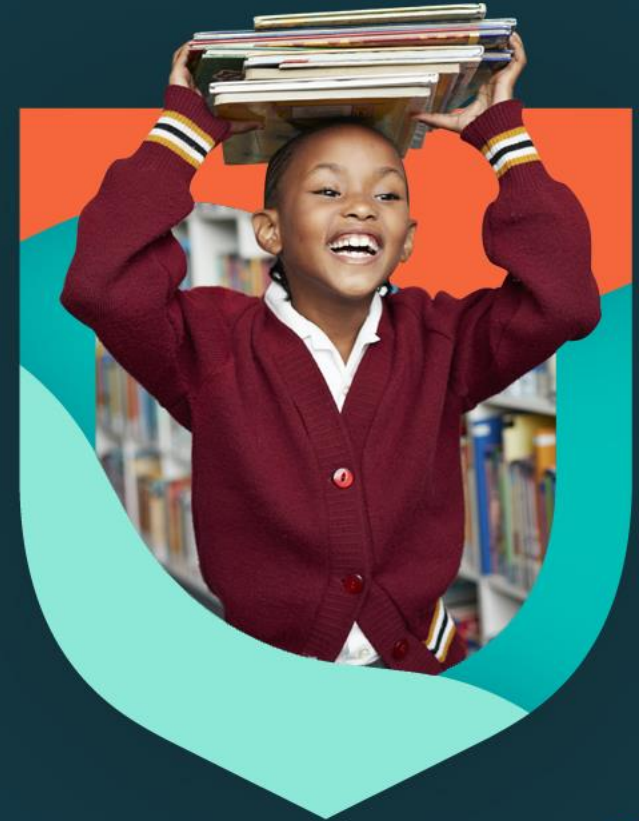


(4) Recunoașterea și echivalarea rezultatelor obținute la aceste examene cu proba de verificare a cunoștințelor de limbă modernă pentru admiterea în clasele a IX-a cu predare a unei limbi moderne în regim bilingv se fac, la cerere, dacă certificatul obținut/diploma obținută validează un nivel de competență lingvistică egal sau superior nivelului A2, corespunzător Cadrului european comun de referință pentru limbi. În situații excepționale, în care se înregistrează întârzieri în eliberarea certificatului/diplomei de către instituția/organizația care administrează examenul, se poate recunoaște și echivala și adeverința eliberată de instituția/organizația respectivă, însoțită de fișa rezultatelor obținute.

# Suntem alaturi de fiecare elev, pas cu pas – certificare extinsa



# Ce putem face inainte de examen



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# Ce putem face inainte de examen 1

- Download **Wordlists**

<https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/Images/506886-a2-key-2020-vocabulary-list.pdf>

<https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/Images/506887-b1-preliminary-2020-vocabulary-list.pdf>

- Bifati cuvintele pe care le cunoasteti
- Invatati cuvintele pe care nu le cunoasteti

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# Ce putem face inainte de examen 2

**Exersati si distrati-va 😊**

<https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/learning-english/activities-for-learners/>

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# Ce putem face inainte de examen 3

- Uitati-va la **Exam Videos**

<https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams-and-tests/key-for-schools/preparation/>

<https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams-and-tests/preliminary-for-schools/preparation/>

- **Puteti raspunde tuturor intrebarilor?**
- **Cereti ajutor**

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# Ce putem face inainte de examen 4

## • Studiati

### Free: Self-study activities

Practice your reading, writing, speaking and listening skills using these free online resources. These materials are designed to help you to develop reading for gist and detail, managing unfamiliar vocabulary, as well as planning, drafting, editing and writing for the exam.

-  [Listening Self-study plan](#)
-  [Reading Self-study plan](#)
-  [Speaking Self-study plan](#)
-  [Writing Self-study plan](#)

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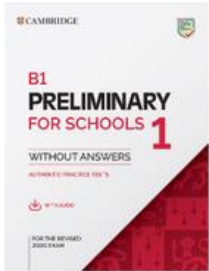
# Ce putem face inainte de examen 5

- Download **Paper-based sample test**
- Rezolvati toate exercitiile
- Cronometradi-va



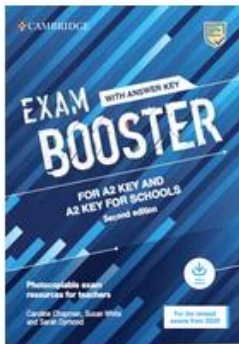
# Ce putem face inainte de examen 6

- Faceti mai multe teste daca este necesar



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Prepare for the exam with practice papers from Cambridge



## Exam Booster Key for Schools

Exam Boosters are filled with practice exam tasks, facts and useful tips

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Thank you  
Any questions?

