

**OVERVIEW OF CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION AT THE B1 LEVEL OF  
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMON  
EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK OF REFERENCE FOR LANGUAGES: LEARNING,  
TEACHING, ASSESSMENT (CEFR)**

Students who pass the Examination in Language Proficiency at B1 level will be awarded a University of Warsaw Certificate. Such a certificate verifies the student's proficiency and ability to use the language in typical professional and social contexts (work, study, travel etc.).

The Certificate exam is made up of two parts: a written test and an oral test. Students must attain 60% on the written test prior to taking the oral test.

In order to obtain a Certificate in Language Proficiency students need to attain 60% on both the written test and the oral test. The final mark awarded will be the sum of the marks attained for both the written and oral parts of the exam.

The total score is converted, on the basis of a recognised conversion table, to an academic grade according to the grading system adopted by the University.

**OVERVIEW OF WRITTEN TEST AT B1 LEVEL**

Subtests	Test tasks	Grading of tasks	Language competences
<b>Test 1:</b> <b>Listening Comprehension</b> <b>10 questions</b> <b>Questions 1 – 10</b>  <b>20 marks</b>	Listening to TWO texts each played or read twice; 1.1 Five multiple-choice questions: selecting one of 3 options (a, b, c) 1.2 Five true/false questions. Texts types and topics: monologues and dialogues: extracts from radio programmes, interviews, talks, announcements on everyday topics, university life, the workplace, hobbies, current affairs	2 marks for each correct answer	Comprehension of spoken discourse: understanding main ideas and specific details
<b>Test 2:</b> <b>Reading Comprehension</b> <b>15 questions</b> <b>Questions 11 - 25</b>	Responding to THREE tasks 2.1, 2.2. & 2.3 based on different short texts (of approx. 500 words in total). 2.1 Answering 3 option (a, b, c) multiple-choice questions and 2.2 Matching titles to	2 marks for each correct answer	Comprehension of written discourse: Understanding main ideas and specific details.

<b>30 marks</b>		statements/short paragraphs 2.3 True/false/no information questions. Text types and topics include: notices, adverts, descriptions of events, formal and informal letters, short articles, fragments of tourist brochures		
<b>T e s t  3  L a n g u a g e  U s e</b>	<b>Test 3.1 Recognising correct lexical and grammatical forms and structures</b>  <b>10 questions</b>  <b>Questions 26-35</b>  <b>10 marks</b>	Multiple-choice gap-filling with 3 options (a, b, c).	1 mark for each correct answer	Able to identify correct grammatical forms, including phrasal verbs, collocations and word combinations necessary for successful everyday communication
	<b>Test 3.2 Using correct lexical and grammatical forms and structures</b>  <b>10 questions</b>  <b>Questions 36 - 45</b>  <b>20 marks</b>	Open gap-filling based on a short text.	2 marks for each correct answer	Able to use correct vocabulary, grammatical forms and structures necessary for straightforward communication
<b>Test 4:  Writing</b>          <b>40 marks</b>		Writing two short texts each of 70-80 words. 4.1 letter/email 4.2 note/ instructions/ short report of an event	Assessed on the basis of a rating scale assessing the following features: relevance, basic cohesion, grammatical accuracy and spelling	Able to write a short text, relevant to everyday life on the basis of information provided; able to convey information or describe an experience or impression

**Maximum score: 120 points**

**Time allocated for the exam: 120 minutes**

**Test instructions provided in Polish and the foreign language tested for popular languages (English, French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish).**

**Test instructions provided in Polish for less popular (oriental) languages. Test instructions in English provided on request.**