





**Erasmus+ Online Linguistic Support** 



### **Erasmus+ OLS Language Assessment**



### You are now guided through the Erasmus+ OLS Language Assessment



# **Everything starts with an invitation you** receive by email

Today at 11:18 AM Erasmus+ Notification System



#### University X invites you to complete your Erasmus+ OLS language assessment

Hello.

You have been selected for Erasmus+ mobility, congratulations! You are invited to complete your Erasmus+ Online Linguistic Support (OLS) language assessment. By completing this language assessment, you find out what your current level is in the language you will use to

study, work or volunteer during your Erasmus+ mobility.

The results of your language assessment do not prevent you from taking part in the Erasmus+ mobility. The results, in line with the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR), are accessible to you and your Higher Education sending institution or EVS coordinating organisation. For Higher Education students, the results are not communicated to the receiving institution/organisation. For EVS volunteers, the results are not communicated to the other organisation(s) of your project. However, you are free to send the results to them. At the end of your Erasmus+ mobility period, you will be required to complete another language assessment to check the progress made in your language competence during your stay abroad.

The European Commission uses aggregated data of the language assessment results for statistical purposes. Information about the language assessment

The online language assessment takes approximately 40 to 50 minutes, and consists of five sections (grammar, vocabulary, key communicative phrases, listening comprehension, and written comprehension) with a total of 70 questions. We advise you to take the assessment in a quiet environment with a stable internet connection. At any moment during the assessment, you can save it and continue later, but keep in mind that once you have completed the assessment and received the results, you cannot do it again.

Please note that you are requested to complete the language assessment before: 07/12/2014.

Please use the following login and password:

Login: " @yahoo.com Password: QfpxH:

Start the language assessment

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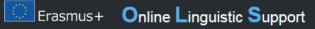


# Use the credentials from the e-mail to log-in on the ERASMUS+ OLS Website:

www.erasmusplusols.eu







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#### Login to my account

If you are leaving for an Erasmus+ mobility activity, you should have received an email from your sending institution/organisation with a login and a password to access the platform.

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Login participant01@domain.com Password ......

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LOGIN

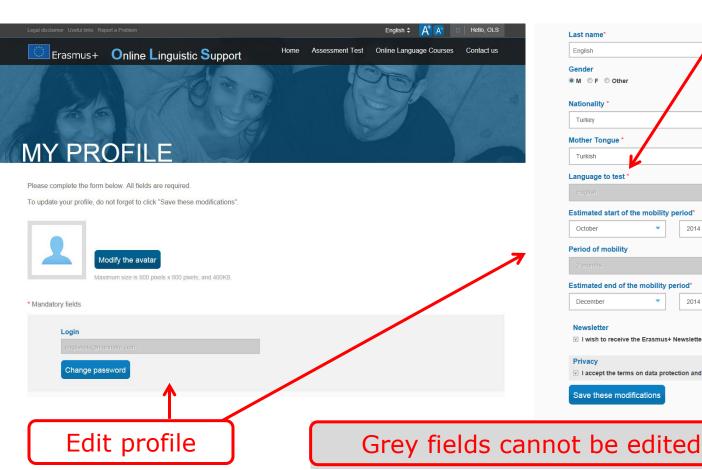
This space is exclusively reserved for the participants and organisations/institutions involved in the Erasmus+ mobility programme. If you are one of them please proceed to the Log-in. If not, please click HERE to return to the Home page.

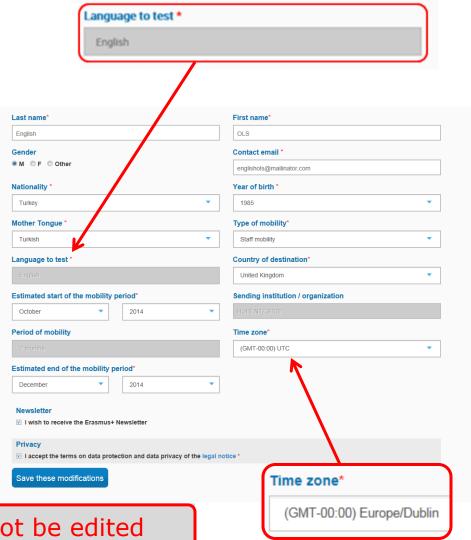


# Once logged-in complete your user profile



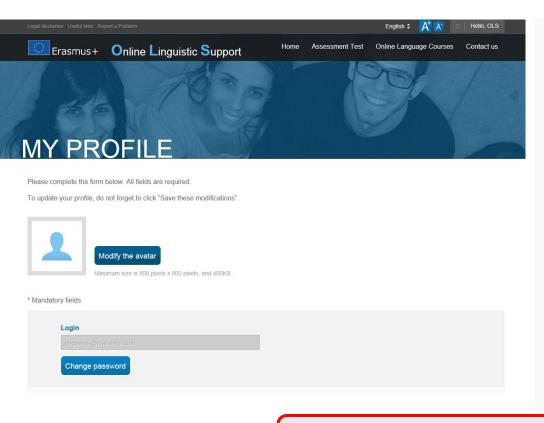
### Participant's account

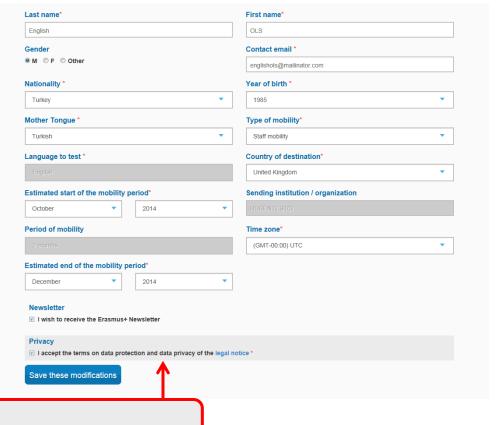






### Participant's account





I accept the terms on data protection and data privacy of the legal notice \*



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# After having completed your user profile, you are automatically directed to the WELCOME PAGE



Profile successfully saved



Welcome to the Erasmus+ OLS language assessment.

You are requested to complete this language assessment in the language you will use to study, work or volunteer during your Erasmus+ mobility. By completing this assessment, you can find out what your current language level is.

The online assessment takes approximately 40 to 50 minutes and consists of five sections with a total of 70 questions:

- ► Grammar (20 questions)
- Vocabulary (15 questions)
- ► Key communicative phrases (15 questions)
- Listening comprehension (10 questions)
- Written comprehension (10 questions)



The questions are progressively adapted to suit your language level so don't worry if the questions suddenly become easier or more difficult.

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While you are taking the assessment, the system does not display the correct answers on the screen. Once you have finished the language assessment, your results are displayed on the screen and a copy of these results is also sent to you by e-mail.

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The system will now check whether your computer is properly configured to carry out the language assessment correctly.

Wishing you every success with your language assessment!

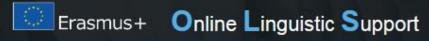
Start the language assessment



# Before getting started on the assessment, we check the compatibility of your equipment



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### COMPATIBILITY OF YOUR EQUIPMENT

#### Test your equipment

#### Congratulations!

Your configuration matches the minimal specifications to access Erasmus+ OLS.

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Resolution	✓ 2276 x 1280
Browser	✓Internet Explorer 9.0
Flash Player or HTML5	Flash Player 11.8.800
Cookies	<b>√</b> OK



# And we check that your loud speakers or headphones work properly

#### □ Level Test - English

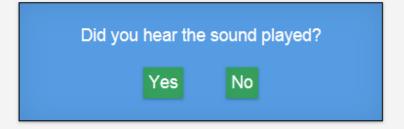
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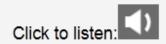
In order to be able to answer the listening comprehension questions, your loudspeakers (or headphones) must be plugged in and functioning.

Erasmus+ suggests you test your sound configuration before beginning the level test.

Make sure that your loudspeakers (or headphones) are correctly plugged in and verify that the sound is not on 'Mute'.

Click on the button 'Play' below to test your sound configuration.





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# AND THEN, you can finally start the assessment .....



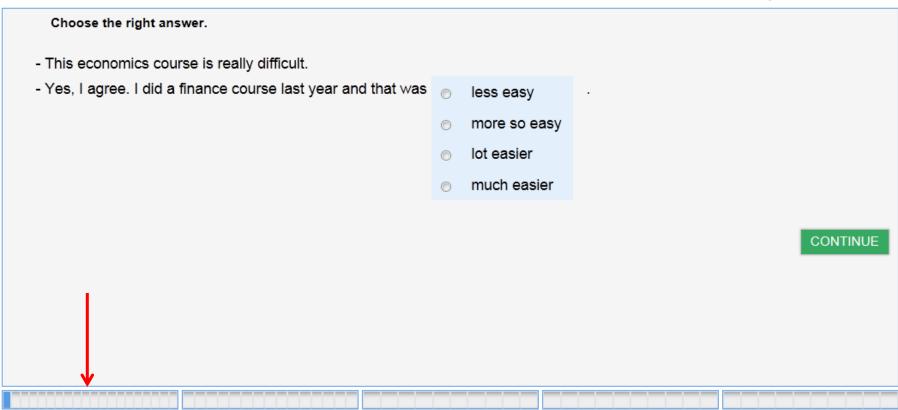
### You start with the grammar part (20 questions)



**VOCABULARY** 

**GRAMMAR** 

#### LEVEL TEST - ENGLISH Difficulty : $\bigstar \ \diamondsuit \ \diamondsuit$



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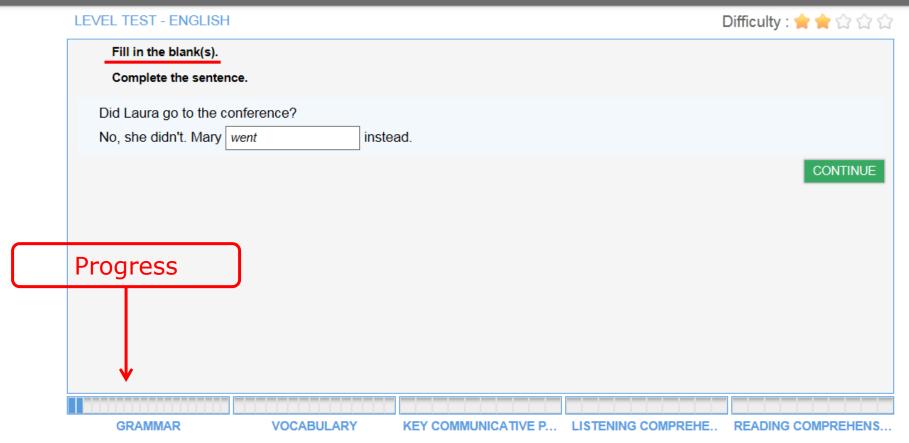
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# Your progress through the five parts is shown in the progress bar







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### The difficulty adapts to your skill level



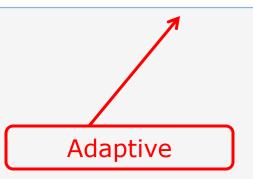


#### LEVEL TEST - ENGLISH

#### Difficulty: 🌟 🏗 🏠 🏠

#### Choose the right answer.

- What were you doing at this time yesterday?
- I was reading my new book. Then the phone rang so I had to stop.
  - The speaker finished his/her new book yesterday.
- The phone rang while the speaker was reading his/her new book.
- The phone stopped ringing.
- The new book is fantastic.



CONTINUE

**GRAMMAR** 

**VOCABULARY** 

KEY COMMUNICATIVE P... LISTENING COMPREHE..

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# If you encounter a problem, report it to the HELPDESK

#### LEVEL TEST - ENGLISH

Difficulty: 🏗 🏠 🏠 Fill in the blank(s). Verb to study a lot at university because I often went out with my friends. don't study didn't study am not going to study studied CONTINUE

**GRAMMAR** 

**VOCABULARY** 

KEY COMMUNICATIVE P... LISTENING COMPREHEN... READING COMPREHENSI...

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### You are informed once you have completed a part of the assessment





#### Level test - English

### <u>Grammar</u> You have completed part 1 (Grammar) of this test. You still have 4 part(s) to complete. The next set of questions tests your Vocabulary. Good luck! continue

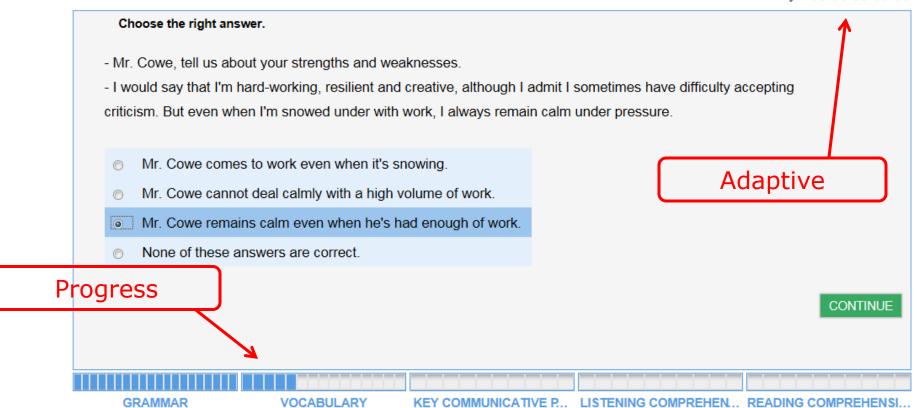


### **Vocabulary follows next with 15 questions**





#### LEVEL TEST - ENGLISH Difficulty: ★★★☆☆



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# **Key communicative phrases come next** with 15 questions





#### LEVEL TEST - ENGLISH



#### Which sentence best summarizes the following section?

"Vibhor Singhal, a Mumbai-based executive at PhillipCapital India, said a key reason for the success of Indiaorigin executives was the "openness of the US economy in terms of accepting and allowing talent from outside to rise to the top". Proficiency in the English language "also gives Indians an edge over the competition," said Vikram Dhawan, director of investments at financial research firm Equentis. The South Asian nation produces about a million engineering graduates a year and has earned a reputation for its booming IT outsourcing business, thanks to its large educated workforce and low labour costs."

#### [News article from the AFP]

- IT companies are using a high number of Indian subcontractors.
- Indian workers, proficient in English, are edgy about the competition.
- The US economy is reluctant to accept outside talent.
- None of these answers are correct.

**GRAMMAR** 

VOCABULARY

KEY COMMUNICATIVE P... LISTENING COMPREHEN... READING COMPREHENSI...

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# In the listening comprehension exercises (10 questions), you can listen to extracts up to three times





#### LEVEL TEST - ENGLISH

Choose the right answer.



Difficulty: \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\*



Select the appropriate question for the answer you heard:

- I was wondering how to get to the Silver Dome, please.
- I wonder whether you know who's exhibiting at the Modern Art Museum.
- I was wondering if you could tell me where the new Modern Art Museum was, please.
- I wonder if you know what time the Modern Art Museum closes, please.

CONTINUE

GRAMMAR

VOCABULARY

KEY COMMUNICATIVE P... LISTENING COMPREHEN... READING COMPREHENSI...

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# The assessment finishes with reading comprehension exercises (10 questions)



#### LEVEL TEST - ENGLISH



#### Which sentence best summarizes the following section?

#### MAGAZINE INTERVIEW

Interviewer: So, Gareth, many people hold the opinion that you didn't fulfill your full potential in professional rugby; what do you think about this view?

Gareth Halfpenny: Well, I agree to an extent. It's true that I had a lot of injury related problems, but my main obstacle was psychological: I was always, shy, sensitive, and lacking self-confidence. I was also too narrowminded; I found it difficult to listen to others' advice.

- Gareth Halfpenny totally agrees with the opinion given by the interviewer.
- Gareth Halfpenny's only problem was psychological.
- Gareth Halfpenny lacked trust.

**GRAMMAR** 

**VOCABULARY** 

KEY COMMUNICATIVE P... LISTENING COMPREHEN... READING COMPREHENSI...

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### And after having replied to all 70 questions, you instantly see your result on the screen

(in line with the Common European Framework of Reference)



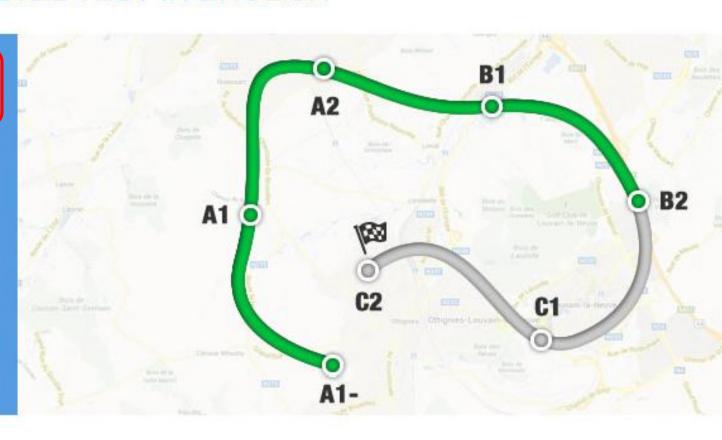


#### RESULTS OF YOUR LEVEL TEST IN ENGLISH

Your current overall level in English before starting your Erasmus+ mobility is: B2 according to the <u>CEFR</u>

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You can understand complex lines of clearly structured argument on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in familiar fields and particular attitudes or viewpoints.





# In addition to your overall skill level, your competence in the 5 assessed fields is specified

#### Your detailed English language levels in the assessed language competences are:

#### ☑ Written comprehension

A1 You can understand familiar names, words and very simple sentences, for example on notices and posters in catalogues.

#### ◆ Listening comprehension

Pou can understand the majority of TV and radio news programmes as well as films and documentaries in standard speech. You can follow most general, clearly articulated exchanges between native speakers, even with some background interference.

#### ✓ Grammatical competence

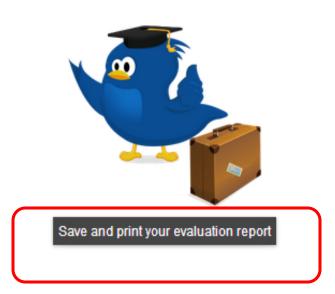
You understand relatively complex grammatical structures and the relationship between ideas as indicated by high level connecting devices.

#### □ Lexical competence

You understand a fairly wide range of vocabulary, linked to pertinent, everyday life topics and situations, enough to get by when travelling, working or socialising.

#### Semantic competence

You can identify different degrees of nuances relating to emotions, satire, humour, subjectivity and objectivity as well as shifting register, in a wide range of socio-linguistic contexts. This includes recognising inferred meaning even in the latest forms of written communication such as internet chats and textmessaging.



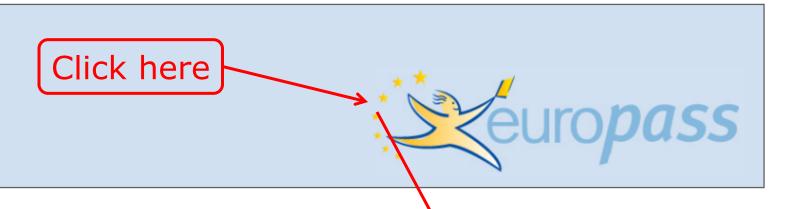


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A document to present your skills and qualifications effectively and clearly

#### Create your CV online

Follow the instructions and save the completed document (download or e-

Update your CV (PDF+XML) online

Download the CV template and instructions - You can then generate your CV on your computer.

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#### Language Passport

A self-assessment tool for language skills and qualifications



#### You also receive the assessment result by email



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To me

#### Results sent also by email

Today at 6:01 PM



#### Dear Participant Y,

Thank you for having completed your English Erasmus+ Online Linguistic Support language assessment.

Your current overall level in English is: B2 according to the Common European Framework of Reference CEFR. Your detailed English competency levels in the assessed language are:

- Listening comprehension: B2
- Reading comprehension: B1 Grammar: B2
- Vocabulary: B2
- Key communicative phrases: C1

Kind regards,

Erasmus+ Online Linguistic Support (OLS)





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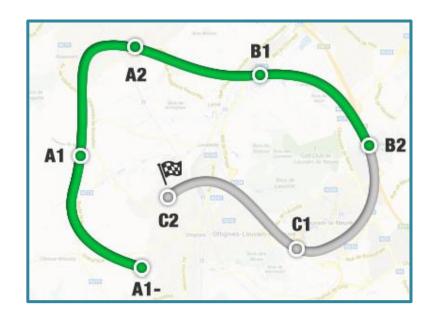


# Towards the end of your mobility you complete the assessment again - and we hope your results will be just like these...

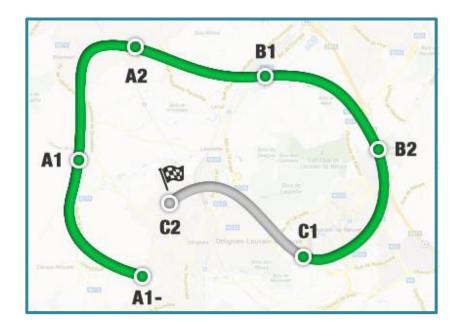




#### **Result of the first assessment**



#### **Result of the second assessment**







#### We wish you every success in your assessment!





## For more information, you may also consult the User Guide and FAQs both available on the Website



#### **End of the presentation**