



10 IELTS Tips
that will **BOOST**
your overall IELTS Score

Using these basic tips will increase your overall IELTS band score

- 1. Task 1 is writing a report - report only what you can see - there is no room for your opinion or experience Task 1!**
- 2. In the reading test, the questions *often* come in the order as you read the passage but not always**
- 3. In Listening, both American and British English spellings can be used, but be consistent**
- 4. In Task 1 or Task 2, don't use informal or spoken English in your writing, unless it's the General (written) Test and you're writing a letter to a friend!**

5. Don't answer a question in the Speaking Test if you're unsure about what to say. You can ask the examiner to repeat or clarify the question for you first.
6. In a Task 2 writing, a discuss 'both sides' essay question still requires you to give an opinion.
7. Prepare for the General IELTS test by reviewing formal letter conventions such as common introductions and endings of letters.
8. Always write IELTS Task 2 before Task 1, as it contributes more to your total score.
9. Writing Task 1 requires an overview of the chart or figures, no overview limits you to Band 5 only.
10. Practice both British and American pronunciations for listening, as some numbers and words are pronounced differently.



Bonus Tips - Why not?

11. In IELTS speaking, the test gets progressively more challenging, don't worry if you make mistakes. Ask the examiner if you don't understand the question.
12. Don't worry if the examiner stops you at any part of the speaking test. It's the examiner's job to keep the timing strict!



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