

iTEP Academic-Plus – TOEFL[®] IBT Comparison Chart

The TOEFL iBT is an approximately 4 hour test of English, and is one of the most widely accepted English proficiency tests in the world. The iTEP Academic test holds several advantages over TOEFL iBT in the areas of price, exam time, scheduling availability, and results delivery. In some locations, iTEP is less than half the price of TOEFL iBT, and can be scheduled on demand, with results delivered within 5 business days. Additionally, iTEP does not provide extensive preparation materials, in contrast to TOEFL iBT.

	iTEP Academic-Plus	TOEFL [®] IBT
Total Exam Time	 90 minutes (all five sections) 	260 minutes (all four sections)
Skills Assessed	 Grammar, listening, reading, writing, and speaking 	 Reading, Listening, Writing, and Speaking
Target Age	University level students	University level students
Difficulty Level	Beginner to advanced	 Upper intermediate to advanced
Purpose	 Evaluate students' English ability for college and university admission purposes Place students in English language programs Perform pre- and post-course assessment Evaluate language proficiency for placement and hiring (businesses and organizations) 	 Evaluate students' English ability for college and university admission purposes Place students in English language programs Evaluate language proficiency for placement and hiring (businesses and organizations)
Price	 \$99 (global retail price for applicants); significant institutional discounts 	• \$160-\$250 (variance by country/location)
Delivery Format	■ Internet	■ Internet
Security	 Full security measures in place: Tests can only be administered at secured iTEP Certified Test Centers Certified administrators on-site; ensure that photo IDs exist for each test-takers Item bank feature ensures that no test is replicated, and that test items are secure by streaming the content live during the exam 	 Full security measures in place: Tests can only be administered at secured ETS Certified Test Centers Certified administrators on-site; ensure that photo IDs exist for each test-takers
Grading	 Multiple-choice sections (grammar, listening, reading) are evaluated by iTEP Grader Software Writing and speaking sections evaluated by iTEP graders- native English speaking ESL trained professionals 	 ETS graders evaluate the tests. Scores normally come from ETS, but some employers and schools provide the results
Scoring	 Overall score ranges from 0 to 6, with .1 level increments, as well as individual section scores, based on standardized rubric 	 Overall score ranges from 0 to 120, as well as individual section scores, based on standardized rubric
Scheduling	 On-demand scheduling within 3 days of contacting a Certified iTEP Test Center 	Test dates are scheduled in advance by ETS
Results Delivery Time	 Results returned within 5 business days 	 Results returned within two to three weeks
Additional iTEP Benefits	 iTEP partners can get immediate online access to results of the grammar, listening, and reading sections, as well as access to the writing and speaking submissions iTEP available in customized and modularized versions iTEP partners can utilize their premises to become iTEP test centers and administer the exam on-site 	
