

GENERAL TEST SPECIFICATIONS FOR 2017-2018 FLAT

TEST NAME		FLAT			
LANGUAGE LEVEL		Intermediate			
PURPOSE		<p>To measure students' proficiency in English and determine whether or not they are competent enough in order to continue their studies in their respective departments.</p> <p>To place students scoring in the range of 50-64 into B1 level of the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference)</p>			
STRUCTURE OF THE TEST		The test consists of 5 sections which are Listening, Reading, Writing, Use of English and Speaking. Each section tests students' knowledge and performance in each skill and area.			
TIME ALLOCATED		180 minutes			
DESCRIPTION OF TEST TAKERS		Test takers are non-native speakers of English Language at the Yasar University Prep Class Intensive English Program with /without prior knowledge of English.			
GRADING		Listening, Reading and Use of English sections of the test are graded by optical readers. Writing and Speaking sections are graded by respective instructors in accordance with pre-determined evaluation criteria.			
SECTION	TEST COMPONENT	WEIGHTING	TIME ALLOCATED	NUMBER OF TASKS/QUESTIONS	TASK TYPE
PART A	Listening	*20 %	20 minutes	2 tasks 10 questions	Multiple Choice
PART B	Reading	20 %	160 minutes	4 tasks 20 questions	Multiple Choice
PART C	Writing	20 %		1 essay task 1 paragraph task	Writing an opinion essay of 300-350 words Writing a graph description paragraph of 75-100 words
PART D	Use of English	*20 %		6 tasks *40 questions	Multiple Choice
PART E	Speaking	*20 %	*8-10 minutes	*3 tasks	Giving personal information Describing a picture Giving opinions on a familiar topic

* These parts include the changes introduced in the 2017-2018 FLAT.