

TOEFL Comparison

TOEFL iBT: Internet Based Test

4 sections (approximately 4 hours)

- ▶ Reading (33–39 items)
- ▶ Listening (30–36 items)
- ▶ Speaking (6 tasks)
- ▶ Writing (2 tasks)

TOEFL CBT: Computer Based Test

4 sections (approximately 3 hrs; 94–130 questions + Essay)

- ▶ Listening Comprehension (30–50 questions)
- ▶ Structure (20–25 questions)
- ▶ Reading Comprehension (44–55 questions)
- ▶ Writing (1 question)

TOEFL PBT: Paper Based Test

3 sections + TWE (required)
(approximately 3 hrs; 140 questions + Essay)

- ▶ Listening Comprehension (50 questions)
- ▶ Structure and Written Expression (40 questions)
- ▶ Reading Comprehension (50 questions)
- ▶ TWE (1 question)

TOEFL iBT

(Phased launch begins on September 24th)

	TOEFL CBT	TOEFL iBT
Listening/Reading Sections	◆ These sections test basic listening and reading comprehension	◆ Includes more difficult listening and reading passages that are reflective of academic English
Structure Section	◆ Grammar tested in a stand-alone section, as well as throughout the test	◆ No stand-alone grammar section ◆ Grammar tested throughout the test
Speaking Section	◆ Not tested	◆ Six open-ended speaking questions
Writing Section	◆ One 30-minute essay	◆ Two essays: one 20-minute essay and one 30-minute essay
Integrated Skills	◆ Not tested	◆ New integrated skills questions test the ability to learn and integrate information from more than one source
Time	◆ Approximately 3 hours	◆ Approximately 4 hours
Scoring	◆ 0–300 (human graders for essay)	◆ 0–120 (human graders for essays and speaking items)

TOEFL Total Score Comparison

iBT	120	120	119	118	117	117	116	114-115	114-115	113	111-112	111-112	110	109	106-108	106-108	105	105	103-104	101-102	101-102	100	100	98-99	96-97
CBT	300	297	293	290	287	287	283	280	280	277	273	273	270	267	263	263	260	260	257	253	253	250	250	247	243
PBT	677	673	670	667	663	660	657	653	650	647	643	640	637	633	627	623	620	617	613	610	607	603	600	597	593
iBT	96-97	94-95	92-93	92-93	90-91	88-89	88-89	86-87	84-85	83	83	81-82	79-80	77-78	76	76	74-75	72-73	71	71	69-70	68	66-67	65	64
CBT	243	240	237	237	233	230	230	227	223	220	220	217	213	210	207	207	203	200	197	197	193	190	187	183	180
PBT	590	587	583	580	577	573	570	567	563	560	557	553	550	547	543	540	537	533	530	527	523	520	517	513	510
iBT	64	62-63	61	59-60	58	57	57	56	54-55	53	52	52	51	49-50	48	47	45-46	45-46	44	43	41-42	41-42	40	39	38
CBT	180	177	173	170	167	163	163	160	157	153	150	150	147	143	140	137	133	133	130	127	123	123	120	117	113
PBT	507	503	500	497	493	490	487	483	480	477	473	470	467	463	460	457	453	450	447	443	440	437	433	430	427
iBT	38	36-37	35	34	34	33	32	32	30-31	29	29	28	26-27	26-27	25	24	24	23	23	22	22	21	19-20	19-20	18
CBT	113	110	107	103	103	100	97	97	93	90	90	87	83	83	80	77	73	73	70	70	67	63	63	60	
PBT	423	420	417	413	410	407	403	400	397	393	390	387	383	380	377	373	370	367	363	360	357	353	350	347	343
iBT	18	17	17	16	15	15	14	14	13	12															
CBT	60	57	57	53	50	50	47	47	43	40															
PBT	340	337	333	330	327	323	320	317	313	310															

Note: The PBT score does not include writing. The PBT and CBT scores do not include speaking. The information in the score comparison chart was provided by the Educational Testing Service.