

ESOL STEP 1 AND STEP 2 AWARDS IN SPEAKING AND LISTENING

"Our students really love Steps. They get a great sense of achievement, and the certificate lets them celebrate their progress"

Taufik Beldi – ESOL Co-ordinator, Leicester

Trinity's ESOL Step 1 and Step 2 Speaking and Listening awards are for adults aged 16 and over who have started to learn English but are not yet ready to take an Entry level qualification. These awards provide students with the opportunity to mark learning progression while they build up the skills and confidence needed to take ESOL Skills for Life qualifications.

Demonstrating basic skills

Candidates who have achieved a Step 1 or Step 2 award can:

- ▶ Understand what is said clearly, slowly and directly in simple everyday conversation with support
- ▶ Communicate simple information on familiar matters
- ▶ Use basic sentence patterns and simple phrases about themselves, places and other people

Full details of the language requirements for each level are available online.

Assessment format

The format for Step 1 and Step 2 exams is an unscripted one-to-one conversation with a Trinity examiner.

The examiner uses pictures, objects and references to surroundings to engage and prompt candidates to demonstrate their English language communication skills by listening and responding to the examiner's questions verbally and through gestures and simple actions.

- ▶ Step 1: five minutes
- ▶ Step 2: six minutes

Learning progression

Trinity's Step awards offer an ideal platform for further development before moving on to ESOL Skills for Life qualifications.

ESOL Step awards



Speaking and listening skills

ESOL Skills for Life awards and certificates



Reading, writing, speaking and listening skills

These qualifications are designed to aid progression and access into mainstream education and employment paths where English language skills are a requirement.

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Assessment summary for Steps and Skills for Life qualifications

Level	Full qualification title	Assessment details	Qualification no.	GLH*/TQT**
Step 1	ESOL Step 1 Award in Speaking and Listening	Interview – 5 mins (1 task)	N/A	N/A
Step 2	ESOL Step 2 Award in Speaking and Listening	Interview – 6 mins (1 task)	N/A	N/A
Entry 1	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) (Entry 1)	24 questions – 45 mins (3 tasks)	601/5210/2	60 hours/ 70 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing) (Entry 1)	30 mins (3 tasks)	601/5214/X	90 hours/ 100 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 1)	Conversation – 5 mins (2 tasks) Group discussion – 5 mins (1 task)	601/5207/2	120 hours/ 130 hours
	Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 1)	Details for each exam as above	601/4785/4	270 hours/ 300 hours
Entry 2	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) (Entry 2)	24 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5211/4	60 hours/ 70 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing) (Entry 2)	50 mins (3 tasks)	601/5215/1	90 hours/ 100 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 2)	Conversation – 8 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 7 mins (1 task)	601/5208/4	120 hours/ 130 hours
	Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 2)	Details for each exam as above	601/5204/7	270 hours/ 300 hours
Entry 3	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) (Entry 3)	27 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5212/6	60 hours/ 70 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing) (Entry 3)	70 mins (3 tasks)	601/5216/3	90 hours/ 100 hours
	Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 3)	Conversation – 8 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 8 mins (1 task)	601/5209/6	120 hours/ 130 hours
	Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 3)	Details for each exam as above	601/5205/9	270 hours/ 300 hours
Level 1	Level 1 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading)	30 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5218/7	60 hours/ 70 hours
	Level 1 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing)	110 mins (4 tasks)	601/5217/5	90 hours/ 100 hours
	Level 1 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening)	Conversation – 10 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 10 mins (1 task)	601/5219/9	120 hours/ 130 hours
	Level 1 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life	Details for each exam as above	601/4786/6	270 hours/ 300 hours
Level 2	Level 2 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading)	30 questions – 60 mins (3 tasks)	601/5221/7	60 hours/ 70 hours
	Level 2 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing)	110 mins (4 tasks)	601/5222/9	90 hours/ 100 hours
	Level 2 Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening)	Conversation – 14 mins (3 tasks) Group discussion – 15 mins (1 task)	601/5220/5	120 hours/ 130 hours
	Level 2 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life	Details for each exam as above	601/5206/0	270 hours/ 300 hours





*Guided learning hours **Total qualification time

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