

CLI B1 Syllabus

Contents

The syllabus for B1 level English at CLI/Unipi (**Prova di idoneità Inglese B1**) includes the following:

<p>▪ Vocabulary topics</p> <p>Illnesses and treatment. Clothes and fashion. Air travel. The environment. The weather. Feelings. The body. Music. Sleep. The media. Hobbies. Science, Business and Advertising. Word building: prefixes and suffixes. Expressions with go. Expressions with get. Collocations: word pairs.</p>	<p>▪ Grammar topics:</p> <p>Future tenses Auxiliaries Present perfect vs. Simple past Temporal clauses Use of <i>since</i> and <i>for</i> If-clauses (first and second conditional) Modal verbs Continuous tenses (past and future) Past perfect simple Used to Linking words Possessive adjectives and pronouns Prepositions Phrasal verbs Passive forms Relative clauses No-some-any Gerunds vs. infinitives Quantifiers (Reflexive) pronouns Indirect questions As vs. like Adverbs Direct vs. indirect speech Question tags Uncountable nouns Quantifiers: <i>too/much/enough/quite</i>, etc.</p>
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Objectives and competences

In accordance with the CEFR description of B1, you should be able to:

- Understand the main points of a written text on matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc.
- Understand clear speech in everyday conversation.

(Adapted from: CEFR, Common Reference Levels: global scale).

Composition of the B1 Test	
Listening Comprehension (less than 2 mins)	You listen to a recorded track and then answer 4 questions (True/False) .
Reading Comprehension (ca. 1700 characters)	You read an article followed by 6 statements that you need to mark as True / False .
Grammar Section	<p>15 Grammar questions. Multiple choice answers, 3 options, only one is correct. For example:</p> <p>It's not mine, it's _____.</p> <p>Select one:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> hers</p> <p><input type="radio"/> her</p> <p><input type="radio"/> her's</p>
Vocabulary Section	<p>5 Vocabulary questions. Multiple choice answers, 3 options, only one is correct. For example:</p> <p>He lost his job so now he is _____.</p> <p>Select one:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> workless</p> <p><input type="radio"/> no work</p> <p><input type="radio"/> out of work</p>
Time	The time allowed to complete the test is 35 minutes .
Navigation Method	You can go back and forth within the test and listen to the audio track more than once.
Pass Threshold	To pass the test, a minimum of 70% of correct answers is required. No points are deducted for wrong answers. Points are neither added nor deducted for answers left blank.