AEAS®

TESTING FOR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL STUDENTS

40 YEARS OF QUALITY INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSESSMENTS

AEAS is the leading provider of high quality assessment services for primary and secondary school students, for whom English is not their first language, wishing to study in English medium schools.

For 40 years, the AEAS Test has been trusted by schools to provide them with the information they need to support student success, and build high quality international student programs. The AEAS Test is widely used by private and government schools in Australia, New Zealand and schools around the world.

An AEAS Report significantly assists a student's application for enrolment by providing a comprehensive assessment of their capabilities. The information is important for school admissions and academic staff, parents and agents.

For parents, understanding your child's ability will enable you to plan the cost of and time needed for completion of intensive English language studies in the destination country; select a suitable school; and ensure your child is adequately prepared to commence in the mainstream classroom.

Confirming an enrolment at a school using the AEAS Report is a student's first step toward completing a high quality school education. They are then well positioned to gain entry to some of the finest universities in Australia and around the world. Schools that accept an AEAS Report are listed at **aeas.com.au/schools-accepting-aeas-report**

As a parent, I was initially worried about my child taking the AEAS test because I didn't fully understand what it entailed. I thought it was a pass or fail kind of test, which added to my stress.

I decided to use AEAS Online Practice Tests to help my child prepare, and it made a world of difference. I now understand that the AEAS test is about assessing readiness rather than passing or failing.

It has given me a better understanding of my child's readiness for studying abroad. I can't recommend it enough for parents who want to support their children's educational journey.

Hui-Ling Chen, Parent

At first, I was really anxious about taking the AEAS test because, well, who actually enjoys tests? But with some solid preparation, I went into the test feeling surprisingly confident.

To my surprise, it wasn't as daunting as I had imagined. The AEAS test gave me a clear understanding of my English proficiency and helped boost my confidence in pursuing studies in Australia.

Taking the test and understanding my abilities prepared me so much better for what I then experienced on my first day in the Australian classroom. If I can do it, so can you!

Ji-Yoon Park, Student

The AEAS Test includes

English Language Proficiency

Mathematical Reasoning Ability

Non Verbal General Ability

Testing takes approximately $3\frac{1}{4}$ hours

Students sit the test according to their age and the year level they are applying to enter. For example, a student currently in Year 9 applying for Year 10 for the following academic year, will sit the Year 10-12 English language tests, and Year 10 mathematics and general ability tests.

AEAS English language proficiency test results are not pass or fail. Test results provide accurate information on a student's ability to cope in an English medium learning environment.

English Language Tests – Years 10-12#

Tests are available for students entering Years 10-12.

- **Vocabulary** – 20 minutes
- **Reading Comprehension** – 30 minutes
- **Writing Skills** – 30 minutes, 200 words
- **Listening Skills** – 20 minutes
- **Speaking** – 10-15 minutes.+

English Language: Year 7-9 and Years 4-6#

Tests are available for students entering Years 7-9 and Years 4-6.
The test format is similar to the Year 10-12 tests, but tailored to the age and year level of the students.

- **Vocabulary and Spelling** – 30 minutes
- **Reading Comprehension** – 30 minutes
- **Writing Skills** – 30 minutes, 150 words for Years 7-9 | 20 minutes, 100-150 words for Years 4-6
- **Listening Skills** – 20 minutes
- **Speaking** – 10-15 minutes+

+Speaking tests are recorded.

*#Refer to Age and Year Level Conversions for Australia, New Zealand, Canada, UK and USA at **aeas.com.au***

Mathematical Reasoning Ability

The mathematical reasoning tests take 45 minutes. Different test papers are used based on the year level the student is applying to enter. Tests assess mathematical reasoning abilities and are not curriculum based. Questions are multiple choice. Students are not permitted to use calculators.

For accurate results, students must not practice mathematical reasoning tests.

General Ability

The general ability test is free of English language and takes 30 minutes to complete. It is a non-verbal reasoning test containing multiple choice questions that provide an indication of the student's general ability level. The total score provides an index of intellectual capacity and is independent of learning in specific subjects.

For accurate results, students must not practice general ability tests.

How to register for an AEAS Test

Testing is available worldwide. Test dates, locations, information on how to register, and the test fee and payment process can be found at **aeas.com.au/how-to-register**.

AEAS can arrange testing on demand in locations where test dates are not listed on the AEAS website. Please contact **admin@aeas.com.au** for further information.

What to bring to testing

One current passport sized photo on a white background

Original and one translated copy of most recent school reports

Original and one copy of passport or other official identification

Black Pen(s)

A copy of test confirmation email

AEAS has rigorous test standards and processes to ensure the integrity and security of testing. Phones, watches and other devices are not permitted in the test room at any time.

Test Terms and Conditions

AEAS Testing Terms and Conditions are available at **aeas.com.au**.

Students are not permitted to resit the AEAS Test within 90 days of their previous test.

The AEAS Report

The AEAS Report provides

- an overall English language proficiency score out of 100
- a score for each English sub-test out of 20
- a recommendation on the minimum number of weeks of study required in an intensive English language program
- a raw score and a stanine score for the general ability and mathematical reasoning tests
- a recommendation on the school entry year level

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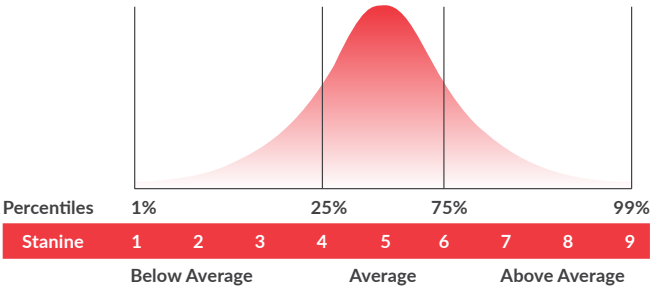
Recommended Intensive English Program

Score	Level	Weeks Upper Secondary School Entry	Weeks Lower Secondary School Entry	Weeks Primary School Entry
		Years 10-12#	Years 7-9#	Years 4-6#
0-25	Beginners	40-48	30-40	12-20
26-35	Elementary	30-40	20-30	6-12
36-45	Pre-Intermediate	20-30	12-20	4-6
46-60	Intermediate	12-20	8-12	0
61-70	Upper Intermediate	8-12	4-8	0
71-80	Pre-Advanced	4-8	0	0
80+	Advanced	0	0	0



Stanine scores are normalised scores with a mean of 5 and a standard deviation of 2. A score of 1-3 is below average, 4-6 is average and 7-9 is above average.

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AEAS Reports are written by AEAS in Australia. Reports are sent to

- students/parents
- the school(s) applied to*
- an education agent*

**if listed on the test registration form*

The AEAS Report will:

- assist parents and education agents to identify schools that match the student's needs and capabilities
- identify the student's current English language proficiency
- minimise the risk of the student entering English medium schooling before they have the necessary English language skills
- assist parents to plan a budget for overseas education, which includes the required intensive English language program

The AEAS Report is available within 10 business days of the test date.

How schools use the AEAS Report

The AEAS Report assists schools to understand the student's abilities and make an appropriate offer of enrolment.

Schools that test on application consider the length of the recommended intensive English language program when determining student commencement dates. Sufficient time should be allowed for students to develop the English language skills required in an English language learning environment. Schools may re-test students on commencement to determine they are ready.

Some schools will set expected AEAS Test scores for English, General Ability and Mathematical Reasoning Tests. Check with your agent or your preferred school for further information.

How to prepare for an AEAS Test

1. Practice Tests

Practice English language tests are available for Years 4-6, Years 7-9 and Years 10-12. The Practice Tests include the five English language components of the AEAS Test: reading, vocabulary, writing, listening and speaking. Students can familiarise themselves with the format of the AEAS Test and gain confidence from the practice test experience.

Find out how to purchase Practice Test Materials at **aeas.com.au/practice-tests**.

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There are two practice test options

- **Practice Test Booklets** – students can prepare with a practice test booklet in their hand and can revise their answers.
- **Online Practice Tests** – students complete an online test within the required time and receive scores for reading, vocabulary and listening tests. Students can request a score and feedback from AEAS for writing and speaking practice tests.

Students must not practice the general ability and mathematical reasoning tests.

2. AEAS Preparation Courses

AEAS Preparation Courses are available in person in selected locations, and online all around the world via our official partners.

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AEAS School Preparation Course

This course strengthens English language skills and prepares students for the classroom, introducing them to Western and English medium teaching and learning styles. The course assists students to develop independent study and organisation skills.

Taught by qualified teachers with English as a first language

6 Modules 42 hours

Prepare to study at English medium schools

Build confidence in communicating in English

Certificate upon completion

The Official AEAS Test Preparation Course

This course supports English language development, and assists students to develop skills and critical thinking abilities when responding to test questions. Students will learn test organisation, time management and response skills, and skills needed for school study. This course offers the most effective way to prepare for an AEAS Test.

- **Reading**
- **Writing**
- **Speaking**
- **Listening**
- **Vocabulary**

5 Modules 30 hours

Learn practical skills for test preparation

Supports genuine English development

Practice for the AEAS test

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