TOEFL Junior · The tests, scores and study plan

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Three tests, one family

Standard 600–900	**Speaking** 0–16	**Writing** 0–16
Listening 42 Qs, 40 min	**Task 1** Read Aloud	**Task 1 (two sets)** Edit
Language Form and Meaning 42 Qs, 25 min	**Task 2** Picture Narration	**Task 2** E-mail
Reading 42 Qs, 50 min	**Tasks 3 and 4** Listen-Speak (two)	**Tasks 3 and 4** Opinion, Listen-Write
multiple choice, 1 h 55 min	recorded, about 18 min	typed, about 40 min

> Standard = choose, Speaking = record, Writing = type

The Standard test, section by section

Section	Questions	Time	Per question
Listening Comprehension	42	40 min	paced by the recording
Language Form and Meaning	42	25 min	about 35 seconds
Reading Comprehension	42	50 min	about 70 seconds

Use the evidence

The order never changes. A blank earns nothing, so answer every question.

Your turn: the clock

Your turn

In Language Form and Meaning, about how long do you have for each question?

A. About 10 seconds
B. About 35 seconds
C. About 70 seconds
D. About 2 minutes

Speaking and Writing in one view

Speaking, about 18 minutes

1 Read Aloud · 2 Picture Narration

3 Listen-Speak about school life · 4 Listen-Speak about a lesson

One minute of speaking in every task.

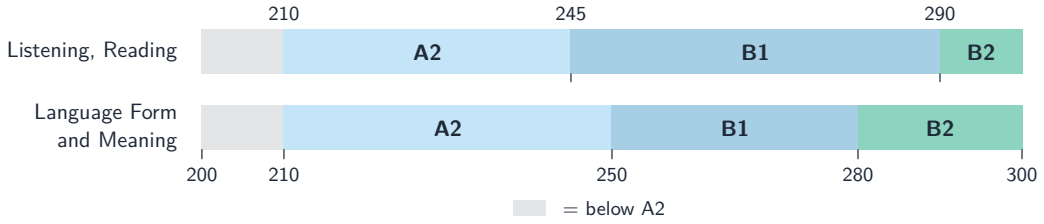
Writing, about 40 minutes

1 Edit (two sets) · 2 E-mail

3 Opinion paragraph · 4 Listen-Write

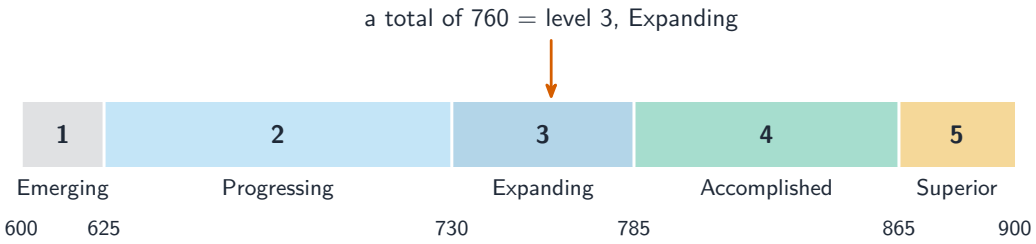
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Section scores and CEFR levels



B1 starts at 245 in Listening and Reading, but at 250 in Language Form and Meaning

The five overall levels



No pass or fail; ETS says the scores are not for admission and do not predict TOEFL iBT

A thermometer, not the doctor's report

1. **Your practice set** 31 correct out of 42. That is a **raw score**.
2. **The tempting mistake** "That's about 270." No formula outside ETS can say this.
3. **Why** ETS equates every form for its difficulty, so one raw count gives different scaled scores on different forms.

Decision

Use raw counts to track progress and find weak question types.

One week of practice

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Listening set	Language Form and Meaning	Reading passage	Picture Narration	Mistake log review	E-mail + opinion	Rest; read for fun
20 min	15 min	25 min	10 min	10 min	25 min	

Every section, about 20 minutes a day, and a **mistake log**

Test day checklist

Pack sharpened No. 2 or HB pencils and two erasers.

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Bring the signed **consent form** and any ID your school asks for.

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Fill each circle on the **answer sheet** completely.

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Skip a question? Leave that line empty too, so later answers stay on the right lines.

Three habits that cost points

The habit	The fix
A minute on one grammar box.	35 seconds, decide, move on.
Translating every word in Reading.	Read in phrases and look for the answer line.
Studying only for the Standard test.	Practise Speaking and Writing every week, aloud.

Try it: read this report

1. **The report** Listening 270, Language Form and Meaning 255, Reading 240.
2. **Total and level** $270 + 255 + 240 = 765$, which is level 3, Expanding (730–780).
3. **CEFR by section** Listening B1, Language Form and Meaning B1, Reading A2 (B1 starts at 245).

Decision

Work on Reading first. It is the only A2 section, and only 5 points below B1.

Check yourself

- Standard: 126 questions in 1 hour 55 minutes.
- A section score is 200–300; the total is 600–900.
- B1 starts at 245 in Listening and Reading, 250 in Language Form and Meaning.
- Raw scores track progress; never convert them. Never leave a blank.