

# Why take CAEL

*CAEL is the leading academic English proficiency test for study in Canada*

CAEL is the only test that provides a truly authentic representation of language use in a Canadian academic context. It evaluates how well you combine your speaking, reading, listening, and writing skills to perform academic tasks that you would encounter in your first year at a Canadian university or college. **Find out more at [cael.ca](http://cael.ca)**

## Test Features



### Quick Online Results

Available online in 8 business days, sent to 5 institutions at no extra cost



### Computer-delivered Test

Done in just one sitting in either a test centre or online on a home computer



### Convenient Study Materials

Free sample tests, pretest sittings, webinars, prep programs, and online courses



### Acceptance Across Canada

Accepted by over 180 Canadian universities and colleges, including all of the English U15 institutions

## Test Fees

**\$280**  
+ Taxes

### CAEL Test

The test is used as proof of English proficiency and includes up to five (5) score reports sent to accepting institutions. International test fees may vary.

**Free Practice**

### CAEL Sample Test

It's a free opportunity to experience questions on the CAEL Test, but *cannot* be used to certify your English proficiency. Visit [cael.ca/sample-test](http://cael.ca/sample-test) for more information

## Scholarships

**\$10,000**  
Available in scholarships

Awarded to test takers who score a CAEL 70 or higher, the CAEL Scholarships help test takers to achieve their goals of studying at Canadian post-secondary institutions. Visit [cael.ca/scholarships](http://cael.ca/scholarships) for more info

## Test Format

CAEL total test time is 3h30m and is done in one sitting

### Speaking

Reply to on-screen prompts verbally

7-10 minutes

### Integrated Reading

Read passages and reply to questions

35-50 minutes

### Integrated Listening

Listen to passages and reply to questions

25-35 minutes

### Academic Unit A

Answer comprehension questions and write a reply

60-70 minutes

### Academic Unit B

Answer comprehension questions and write a reply

40-45 minutes

“What I liked most about the CAEL was that you can do the test on the computer, it uses Canadian English, and the results are released quickly!”

- Alinsson, CAEL CE Test Taker

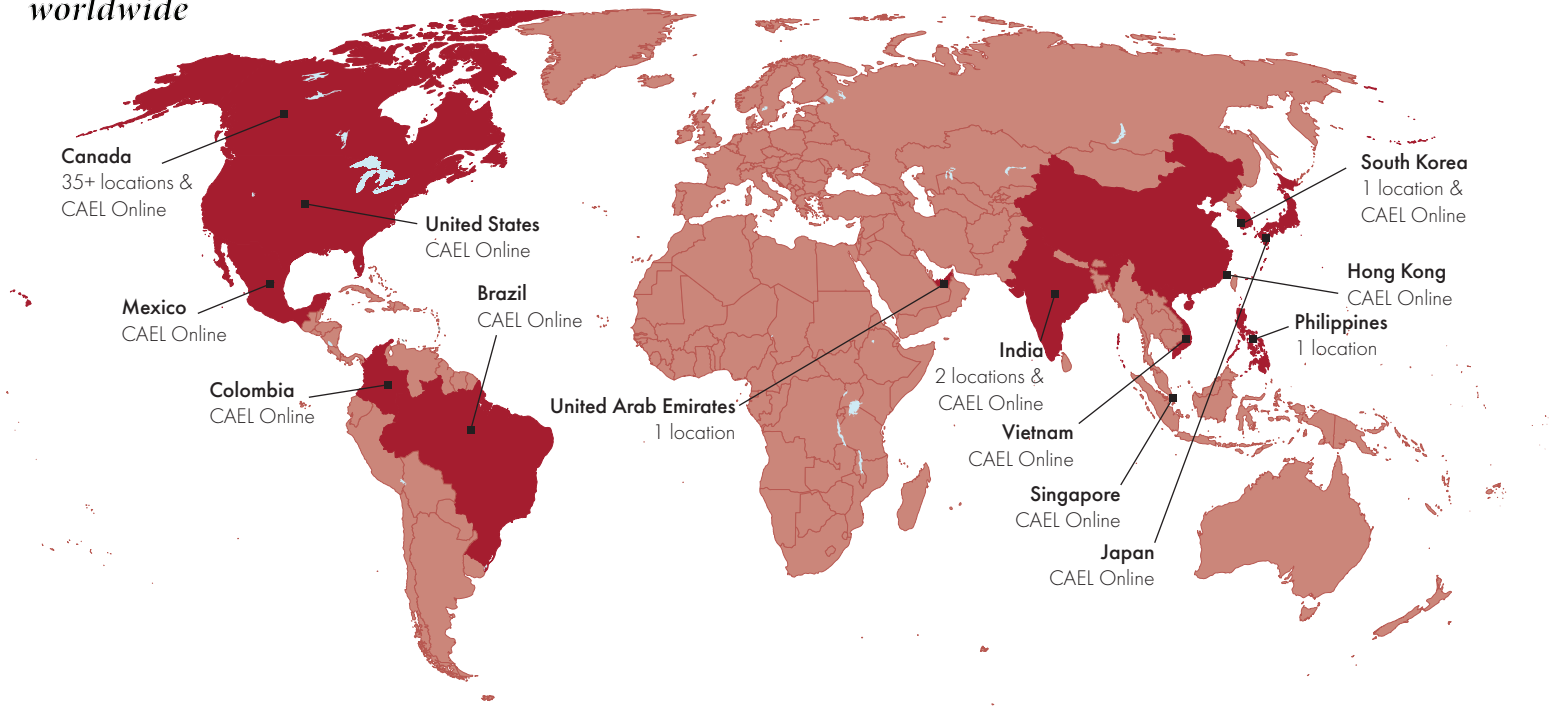
“I appreciated the availability of test dates for CAEL, and found it convenient and inexpensive compared to other English proficiency tests.”

- Aashima, CAEL CE Test Taker

## Test Locations

# 40+

test-centres & online availability  
worldwide



Test pricing & availability varies by location.

## Test Scoring

### CAEL Score

### CAEL Band Descriptor

80 - 90	<b>Expert:</b> Demonstrates a high level of competence, accuracy, and effectiveness in academic/professional settings
70	<b>Adept:</b> Uses generally accurate language in most settings; some limitations in flexibility is evident
60	<b>Advanced:</b> Displays competence in academic or professional settings
50	<b>High Intermediate:</b> Exhibits some competence in academic or professional settings; communication may break down in places
40	<b>Intermediate:</b> Demonstrates some ability to comprehend and articulate complex ideas and arguments typical of academic or professional settings
30	<b>High Beginner:</b> Expresses basic ideas about familiar topics in routine settings
10 - 20	<b>Low Beginner:</b> Communicates with limited ability

Visit [cael.ca](https://cael.ca) to learn more about Canada's leading academic English language test

Email [info@cael.ca](mailto:info@cael.ca)  
Call toll-free: 1-800-520-2235  
Follow @CAELTest   