

Academic Reading week

- Day 1**
- Make sure you know exactly what the Reading Test is like. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/about-the-test/test-format> and read the information carefully.
 - Get an idea of what your IELTS level is like now. Go to <https://takeielts.britishcouncil.org/take-ielts/prepare/free-ielts-practice-tests/reading> and read this information carefully too. Then do the practice test. Choose Academic and decide between paper-based and computer delivered. Check your answers (out of a total of 40) and go to <https://www.ielts.org/ielts-for-organisations/ielts-scoring-in-detail> to get an approximate idea of what Band Score you might get in the actual test.
 - Download the answers https://takeielts.britishcouncil.org/sites/default/files/reading_practice_1_ielts_academic_answers_0.pdf and read very carefully around those answers you got wrong. Think about what made that particular point difficult to understand. Make a note of any new, interesting and useful vocabulary.
- Day 2**
- In the Academic Reading test there are 3 sections, each with a long text. These passages are academic in nature and are taken from journals, newspapers, books etc. Each passage has between 11 and 15 questions adding up to a total of 40. Do a little reading every day.
- Go to <http://www.onestopenglish.com/skills/news-lessons/monthly-topical-news-lessons/> and choose a topic that interests you. These articles have vocabulary and grammar development questions. Make a note of any new, interesting and useful vocabulary.
 - Practise Table completion questions. Go to https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/115018_academic_reading_sample_task_-_table_completion_2_.ashx?la=en
 - Practise Flow Chart Completion questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/academic-reading-sample-task-flowchart-completion-selecting-words-from-the-text.ashx?la=en>
 - Go to https://rtiac.roadtoielts.com/?utm_source=RTI.com&utm_medium=try_freeversion&utm_campaign=RTI.com#prefix=TD practise short answer and table completion questions.
- Day 3**
- Do some more general reading. go back to <http://www.onestopenglish.com> and choose another article. Make a note of any new, interesting and useful vocabulary.
 - Practise True / False / Not Given questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/academic-reading-sample-task-identifying-information-true-false-not-given.ashx?la=en>,

c) Practice Matching Headings questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/academic-reading-sample-task-matching-headings.ashx?la=en>

Day 4 a) Do some more general reading. go back to <http://www.onestopenglish.com> and choose another article. Make a note of any new, interesting and useful vocabulary.

b) Practice Matching Sentence Endings questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/pb-sample-academic-reading-matching-sentence-endings-task-and-key.ashx?la=en>

c) Practice Multiple-Choice questions (with more than one answer) Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/academic-reading-sample-task-multiple-choice-more-than-one-answer.ashx?la=en>

d) Practice Multiple-Choice questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/academic-reading-sample-task-multiple-choice-one-answer.ashx?la=en>

Day 5 a) Do some more general reading. go back to <http://www.onestopenglish.com> and choose another article. Make a note of any new, interesting and useful vocabulary.

b) Practise Note Completion questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/pb-sample-academic-reading-note-completion-task-and-key.ashx?la=en>

c) Practise Sentence Completion questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/pb-sample-academic-reading-sentence-completion-task-and-key.ashx?la=en>

d) Practise Summary Completion questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/academic-reading-sample-task-summary-completion-selecting-from-a-list-of-words-or-phrases.ashx?la=en>

e) Practise Summary Completion (words from text) questions. Go to <https://www.ielts.org/-/media/pdfs/pb-sample-test-materials/academic-reading-sample-task-summary-completion-selecting-words-from-the-text.ashx?la=en>

f) Do a timed practice test. Download the free IELTS Prep app. <https://takeielts.britishcouncil.org/take-ielts/prepare/free-apps> Click on <Reading> then <Practice Tests. There are 2 tests here for you to practise. When you have finished a test, read the text around those answers you got wrong very carefully. Think about what made that particular point difficult to understand. Make a note of any new, interesting and useful vocabulary.