

Communicative Assessment

Who it's for:

Communicative Assessment is a short 20-hour online self-access course for busy teachers and examiners of English who are interested in exploring new approaches to assessment and testing. It is a general course suitable for teachers and examiners working in the secondary, tertiary or the private ELT sector.

Part of: Stages 2 and 3 of the [CPD framework](#)

Level of English required: B1+

Further information:

The course aims are to help participants:

- identify and use some of the key terminology associated with assessment and testing
- focus on approaches to assessment and testing within the Communicative Approach to English Language Teaching
- link assessment theory directly to the design of testing and assessment materials Focus on testing each language skill as well as integrating skills testing.

The course is made up of a minimum of 20 hours of online self-access training comprising ten sections available online.

The ten sections cover the following topics:

1. Assessment theory
2. Formative assessment
3. Item review
4. Item analysis
5. Test specification
6. Testing reading skills
7. Testing writing skills
8. Testing listening skills
9. Testing speaking skills
10. Testing integrated skills

Each section contains reading tasks, exercises, reflective tasks and assessment activities to try out in participants' own contexts. Some sections also contain questionnaires and audio recordings.

Assessment

In order to complete the course, participants are required to:

- access and read all the documents and resources for each section
- successfully complete the exercises and questionnaires in each section.

Certificate

Participants successfully completing all sections of the course will receive a certificate.