

## **OPEN BADGE: LEVEL B1**

- **LISTENING** - **20 MARKS**
- **READING** - **20 MARKS**
- **WRITING** - **20 MARKS**

TO PASS THE EXAM, YOU MUST GET 60% OVERALL (36/60) AND A MINIMUM OF 10 IN EACH INDIVIDUAL TEST.

Candidates who complete the online test successfully will be expected to do a “VIVA” . Through Microsoft Teams, they will need to present their ID and answer a few personal questions to confirm their identity and level.

### **LISTENING (20 marks)**

PART 1:

This is a conversation between two speakers on an everyday, social topic. This means that you listen to two people talking to each other about arranging a trip, organising an event, etc. The focus is on listening for specific factual information.

PART 2:

This is a talk by one speaker on a general topic. This means that you listen to one person giving information about a public event, a service provided, etc. The focus is on listening for specific factual information.

### **READING (20 marks)**

The Reading component of the B1 Open Badge for 2020 includes two reading passages, with 20 questions.

The questions will test your ability to understand main ideas and detailed factual information, ability to understand the opinions and attitudes of the author, and the ability to follow the development of ideas.

The topics of the readings are of general interest to university students.

### **WRITING (20 marks):**

**The Writing Task** requires you to write at least 150 words. You will be asked to respond to a given problem with a letter requesting information, explaining a situation, making a suggestion, complaining or giving personal information. You will have 30 minutes to complete the Task.

If you write fewer than 150 words, you will be penalized.