

BEC

SELBSTEINSTUFUNGSTEST

Business English Certificate

Die BEC Kurse verlangen einiges an Vorkenntnissen, die Sie mit diesem Test schnell überprüfen können.

Vorgehen

- Lösen Sie den Test **ohne jede Hilfe** von Personen oder Büchern.
- Der Test ist in zwei Teile gegliedert.
- Verwenden Sie nicht mehr als **30 Minuten**. Unterbrechen Sie höchstens einmal.
- Die Fragen werden zunehmend anspruchsvoller.
- Korrigieren Sie den Test anschliessend selbst mit den Lösungen am Schluss des Tests.
- Die Gesamtpunktzahl gibt Aufschluss über den geeigneten BEC Kurs.
- **Anmelden** können Sie sich direkt via Internet oder mit der Anmeldekarte in unserem Semesterprogramm.

Kurs (Kurs-Nummer)	erforderliche Punktzahl	Sprach-Niveau des Kurses
BEC Preliminary (1461)	ca. 30	B1+
BEC Vantage (1462)	ca. 40	B2+
BEC Higher (1465)	ca. 50	C1+

Alle Daten und Informationen zu den aktuellen Kursen finden Sie auf unserer Internetseite www.kvz-weiterbildung.ch sowie in unserem Semesterprogramm.

Wir wünschen Ihnen viel Glück und freuen uns, Sie in unseren Sprachkursen begrüßen zu dürfen.

Part 1

Questions 1 – 5

- Where can you see these notices?
- For questions 1 to 5, mark **one** letter **A**, **B** or **C**.

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**Please leave your
room key at Reception.**

- A in a shop
- B in a hotel
- C in a taxi

2

**Foreign money
changed here**

- A in a library
- B in a bank
- C in a police station

3

**AFTERNOON SHOW
BEGINS AT 2PM**

- A outside a theatre
- B outside a supermarket
- C outside a restaurant

4

CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS
Lessons start again on
the 8 th January

- A at a travel agent's
- B at a music school
- C at a restaurant

5

Price per night:
£10 a tent
£5 a person

- A at a cinema
- B in a hotel
- C on a camp-site

Questions 11 – 20

- In this section you must choose the word which best fits each space in the texts.
- For questions 11 to 20, mark **one** letter **A, B, C** or **D**.

Alice Guy Blaché

Alice Guy Blaché was the first female film director. She first became involved in cinema whilst working for the Gaumont Film Company in the late 1890s. This was a period of great change in the cinema and Alice was the first to use many new inventions, (11) sound and colour.

In 1907 Alice (12) to New York where she started her own film company. She was (13) successful, but, when Hollywood became the centre of the film world, the best days of the independent New York film companies were (14) When Alice died in 1968, hardly anybody (15) her name.

- 11 A bringing B including C containing D supporting
- 12 A moved B ran C entered D transported
- 13 A next B once C immediately D recently
- 14 A after B down C behind D over
- 15 A remembered B realised C reminded D repeated

UFOs – do they exist?

UFO is short for 'unidentified flying object'. UFOs are popularly known as flying saucers, (16) that is often the (17) they are reported to be. The (18) "flying saucers" were seen in 1947 by an American pilot, but experts who studied his claim decided it had been a trick of the light.

Even people experienced at watching the sky, (19) as pilots, report seeing UFOs. In 1978 a pilot reported a collection of UFOs off the coast of New Zealand. A television (20) went up with the pilot and filmed the UFOs. Scientists studying this phenomenon later discovered that in this case they were simply lights on boats out fishing.

- 16 A because B therefore C although D so
- 17 A look B shape C size D type
- 18 A last B next C first D oldest
- 19 A like B that C so D such
- 20 A cameraman B director C actor D announcer

Questions 21 – 40

- In this section you must choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.
- For questions 21 to 40, mark **one** letter **A, B, C** or **D**.

- 21 The teacher encouraged her students to an English pen-friend.
A should write B write C wrote D to write
- 22 They spent a lot of time at the pictures in the museum.
A looking B for looking C to look D to looking
- 23 Shirley enjoys science lessons, but all her experiments seem to wrong.
A turn B come C end D go
- 24 from Michael, all the group arrived on time.
A Except B Other C Besides D Apart
- 25 She her neighbour's children for the broken window.
A accused B complained C blamed D denied
- 26 As I had missed the history lesson, my friend went the homework with me.
A by B after C over D on
- 27 Whether she's a good actress or not is a of opinion.
A matter B subject C point D case
- 28 The decorated roof of the ancient palace was up by four thin columns.
A built B carried C held D supported
- 29 Would it you if we came on Thursday?
A agree B suit C like D fit
- 30 This form be handed in until the end of the week.
A doesn't need B doesn't have C needn't D hasn't got
- 31 If you make a mistake when you are writing, just it out with your pen.
A cross B clear C do D wipe

- 32 Although our opinions on many things , we're good friends.
A differ B oppose C disagree D divide
- 33 This product must be eaten two days of purchase.
A by B before C within D under
- 34 The newspaper report contained important information.
A many B another C an D a lot of
- 35 Have you considered to London?
A move B to move C to be moving D moving
- 36 It can be a good idea for people who lead an active life to increase their of vitamins.
A upturn B input C upkeep D intake
- 37 I thought there was a of jealousy in his reaction to my good fortune.
A piece B part C shadow D touch
- 38 Why didn't you that you were feeling ill?
A advise B mention C remark D tell
- 39 James was not sure exactly where his best interests
A stood B rested C lay D centred
- 40 He's still getting the shock of losing his job.
A across B by C over D through

Part 2

Questions 41 – 50

- In this section you must choose the word or phrase which best fits each space in the texts.
- For questions 41 to 50, mark **one** letter **A, B, C** or **D**.

The tallest buildings - SKYSCRAPERS

Nowadays, skyscrapers can be found in most major cities of the world. A building which was many (41) high was first called a skyscraper in the United States at the end of the 19th century, and New York has perhaps the (42) skyscraper of them all, the Empire State Building. The (43) beneath the streets of New York is rock, (44) enough to take the heaviest load without sinking, and is therefore well-suited to bearing the (45) of tall buildings.

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| 41 | A stages | B steps | C storeys | D levels |
| 42 | A first-rate | B top-class | C well-built | D best-known |
| 43 | A dirt | B field | C ground | D soil |
| 44 | A hard | B stiff | C forceful | D powerful |
| 45 | A weight | B height | C size | D scale |

SCRABBLE

Scrabble is the world's most popular word game. For its origins, we have to go back to the 1930s in the USA, when Alfred Butts, an architect, found himself out of (46) He decided that there was a (47) for a board game based on words and (48) to design one. Eventually he made a (49) from it, in spite of the fact that his original (50) was only three cents a game.

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| 46 | A earning | B work | C income | D job |
| 47 | A market | B purchase | C commerce | D sale |
| 48 | A took up | B set out | C made for | D got round |
| 49 | A wealth | B fund | C cash | D fortune |
| 50 | A receipt | B benefit | C profit | D allowance |

Questions 51 – 60

- In this section you must choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.
- For questions 51 to 60, mark **one** letter **A, B, C** or **D**.

- 51 Roger's manager to make him stay late if he hadn't finished the work.
A insisted B warned C threatened D announced
- 52 By the time he has finished his week's work, John has hardly energy left for the weekend.
A any B much C no D same
- 53 As the game to a close, disappointed spectators started to leave.
A led B neared C approached D drew
- 54 I don't remember the front door when I left home this morning.
A to lock B locking C locked D to have locked
- 55 I to other people borrowing my books: they always forget to return them.
A disagree B avoid C dislike D object
- 56 Andrew's attempts to get into the swimming team have not with much success.
A associated B concluded C joined D met
- 57 Although Harry had obviously read the newspaper article carefully, he didn't seem to have the main point.
A grasped B clutched C clasped D gripped
- 58 A lot of the views put forward in the documentary were open to
A enquiry B query C question D wonder
- 59 The new college for the needs of students with a variety of learning backgrounds.
A deals B supplies C furnishes D caters
- 60 I find the times of English meals very strange – I'm not used dinner at 6pm.
A to have B to having C having D have

Lösungen

Pro richtige Antwort: 1 Punkt

Part 1					Part 2		
1B	9B	17B	25C	33C	41C	49D	57A
2B	10A	18C	26C	34D	42D	50C	58C
3A	11B	19D	27A	35D	43C	51C	59D
4B	12A	20A	28C	36D	44A	52A	60B
5C	13C	21D	29B	37D	45A	53D	
6B	14D	22A	30C	38B	46B	54B	
7A	15A	23D	31A	39C	47A	55D	
8C	16A	24D	32A	40C	48B	56D	

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→ Sollten Sie die erforderliche Punktzahl für den **BEC Vantage** Kurs (1462) knapp nicht erreichen, empfehlen wir den Besuch eines 1. Semesters First Certificate in English (FCE – Kurs 1431).

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Allgemeiner Hinweis: In den letzten Jahren sind die BEC Prüfungen anspruchsvoller geworden, ohne dass die University of Cambridge die offiziellen Niveaus angehoben hat. Deshalb sind gute allgemeine Wortschatz- und Grammatikkenntnisse eine wichtige Voraussetzung für die erfolgreiche Teilnahme an unseren BEC-Kursen.