

Aptis Advanced test

This section details the different tasks you will find in the Aptis Advanced test. The layout of the test and the components tested are exactly the same as the Aptis test. The grammar and vocabulary is also exactly the same so we will not cover it here. All of the tips that we share in this guide are relevant for both tests and the marking system for the speaking and writing test is also the same.

Aptis Advanced reading test

In this test you have **60 minutes** to complete the four parts. Three parts are different to those in the Aptis test.

Test design	Description	Preparation
Part 1	In this part, you have four people's opinions on one topic. You need to read all their opinions and then choose who said what for 7 questions. You must answer each question.	Make sure you read all four opinions before trying to answer the questions. Remember, the same person can be used for more than one answer.
Part 2	Matching headings. This is the same as the Aptis test.	
Part 3	This is a short text of around 300 words with missing gaps. You must choose the right word or phrase from the drop-down to complete the gap.	Make sure you read the whole text before trying to answer. This isn't a grammar test so all the options can fit grammatically into the sentence, you need to understand the whole text to choose the right one.
Part 4	Here you have two short texts on the same topic. You need to fill in the blank with the appropriate phrase.	You definitely need to read both texts before answering as again all the options are grammatically possible so you can only choose the right one if you have read both texts.

Aptis Advanced listening test

There are three parts which are different to the Aptis test. These are aimed at the higher levels so there are more things you need to do in each part. You have **30 minutes** to complete the three parts.

Test design	Description	Preparation
Part 1	This part is the same as the Aptis test. You will listen to five short recordings of monologues or dialogues and answer one question for each recording.	Please refer to our previous listening tips for websites and ideas.
Part 2	In this part, you will listen to three recordings of monologues or dialogues and you will have to answer two questions for each recording.	Use the fact that you can listen twice to your advantage here. Read through the questions before you listen and predict what someone might say about these things. Then, on your first listen, select your answers and listen a second time to confirm.
Part 3	In this part, you will hear a discussion between a man and a woman. On the screen you will see a number of opinions. You will need to identify who expresses which opinion: the man, the woman, or both the man and the woman. You will only hear this once and you have 20 seconds to read through the options.	Use your time wisely. Read the options and make notes on what you think you should listen for (e.g. numbers, synonyms.)
Part 4	In this part, you will hear two separate monologues. You will need to select the correct answers from a table. You will only hear each monologue once . You have 20 seconds to read the options in the table.	Make sure you use the time to read through all the options. Use this time to predict what kind of words you expect them to mention around these opinions so you can listen out for hints.