Notes for Candidates



The **TEAC** is a testing system designed to assess the English language proficiency (ELP) of aviation personnel for ICAO Language Proficiency Requirements compliance.

The test is a human interaction test between 1 candidate and 1 examiner, and takes approximately 30 minutes. Test tasks are focussed as much as possible on contexts relevant to your aviation role and experience. The **TEAC** is **not a test of operational knowledge**, but operational contexts and technical references are used to make sure that the ELP being assessed is appropriate. There are 4 parts to the **TEAC**:

Part 1 - Image Interview (5 - 7 minutes)

After a brief introduction, you will be shown an image of something significant to your aviation work/experience to use as a platform for related questions about routine and non-routine activity. There are no right or wrong answers – you should show you understand the questions by responding to them directly and fully. The examiner will ask you further questions, to encourage you to talk more about some of the things you mention in your responses.

Part 2 - Explaining an RT Communication

You will hear an extended RT (radiotelephony) communication between a pilot and a controller. You will hear the recording only once and it cannot be repeated. The communication will be played in 2 sections. After listening to the first section, you will be asked to describe the communications between the pilot and the ATC, and the unexpected information reported. You should make notes to help you to explain the exchanges in as much detail as possible.

Before you hear the second section of the communication, you will be asked to predict/speculate what will happen next. Then, you will listen to the last section of the communication, and you should make notes to help you to explain the exchanges in as much detail as possible.

Part 3 - Reporting Pilot/Controller Messages

You will hear 3 sets of 3 messages from international pilots or controllers related to non-routine situations. Each set is connected to a different aviation topic. The messages within each set are short to begin with but get longer and longer. After every recording, you need to report your fullest understanding of the message. As you listen, you can make notes to help you explain the content in as much detail as possible. You will hear each recording once only unless you ask for it to be repeated once more.

Part 4 - Pictures Description & Discussion (9 - 10 minutes)

You will be given 2 pictures on a related aviation topic to describe and compare. You will be shown the first picture and asked to describe it, and you will be given 30 to 40 seconds to speak. You will then be shown a second picture and asked some questions about it. Finally, you will be asked some questions about both pictures.

You will then take part in an interactive discussion of general aviation topics related to the pictures, and how aviation affects the wider world. The examiner will discuss these topics with you to allow you to show your ability to give opinions, speculate about the future and justify your ideas.

To read more about the different versions of TEAC and to listen to an example test, go to:

www.lenguax.com/teac/

Test Regulations for Candidates



Candidates are presented with and must agree to the following test rules and regulations during the online application process. Additionally, Administrators send the Regulations to candidates upon confirmation of their test booking.

Test Regulations for Candidates

As a candidate, you must:

- Be on time for your test.
- Provide proof of your identity at registration using the same identity document used to support your booking application. You will not be allowed to take the test without it. This identity document must contain a number, a signature, a date of birth and a photograph. It is the responsibility of the candidate to prove their identity.
- Ensure any electronic devices capable of recording are switched off and placed with personal belongings in the secure storage facility provided. Any candidate who takes an electronic device into the test room will be disqualified.
- Notify the Administrator or Examiner immediately on the test day if the conditions at the centre in any way impede your performance, or if you wish to make any form of complaint in relation to the administration or delivery of your test.
- Agree to have your photograph taken immediately before the test begins.
- Agree to have your test audio-recorded.

As a candidate, you must not:

- Attempt to cheat or disrupt the test in any way.
- Disturb other candidates once a test has started.
- Use, or attempt to use, a dictionary, pager, spell-checker, electronic recorder or mobile phone for the duration of the test.
- Smoke or eat in the test room.
- Reproduce any part of the test in any format/medium, including attempting to record any part of the test. (Or you may be liable to prosecution.)
- Take, or attempt to take, any test materials from the test centre. This includes, but is not limited to, note paper and recording devices.

Special circumstances

Any candidate who feels they may have special requirements that might affect their ability to perform the test, must inform the Centre well in advance of their test date. A consultation period will be required with the candidate as to what facilities will be required to accommodate their needs. Supporting medical evidence may be requested.

Disqualification warning

If you fail to adhere to any of the candidate regulations, your test result will be invalid, you will not receive a test certificate, and notification of your disqualification will be sent to your national Civil Aviation Authority and other relevant agencies and organisations. If you are suspected of failing to adhere to any of the candidate regulations, your results may be delayed or withheld in the event of any investigation of complaint or infringement, actual or suspected.

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Complaints and Appeals

If you are unhappy about any aspect of the test day procedures, you must speak to the Administrator and/or Examiner as early as possible on the test day and confirm the details in writing within 24 hours. Failure to do so will be taken into consideration should an appeal of results be requested.

If you have a serious concern about your test day experience, you should make an official complaint to teac@lenguax.com (TEAC Head Office in the UK) within 48 hours of your test date.

Candidates who are not satisfied with either the test day administration or their test scores must appeal to the test centre directly. Appeals must be made to the centre Administrator by email no later than one month after certificates have been processed/dispatched.

Limitation of Liability

The objective of this test is to assess your current English language proficiency according to the ICAO Rating Scale. This assessment will be made entirely based on your performance during the test. No guarantees can be made or are implied about your future use of English.

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