



# English C1 2016-2017

## C1 LEVEL: An outline

**C1 level** at *Escoles Oficials d'Idiomes* is a specialized general language course aimed at updating and improving language skills in English, French and German, which has been implemented since the academic year 2012-1013 in several *Escoles Oficials d'Idiomes*.

This course can be referenced to the competences defined for C1 level by the Council of Europe as described in The Common European Framework of Reference. Its main aim is to enable students to use language flexibly, successfully and accurately in all manner of situations, in personal, public, occupational and academic domains. Those situations require understanding and processing complex and lengthy texts, both spoken and written, in different language varieties, using a wide range of structures and vocabulary, and dealing with both concrete and abstract themes, even if these are unfamiliar to the student.

For further information on General and Skill-specific objectives, as well as a list of curriculum contents: [www.xtec.cat/web/curriculum/idiomes/curriculum](http://www.xtec.cat/web/curriculum/idiomes/curriculum)

### Course duration and work outside the class

The course for 2016-2017 has a minimum of 130 hours, distributed over two weekly sessions of 2.30 hours, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Download the calendar from [www.eoibadalona.cat](http://www.eoibadalona.cat)

Due to the fact that the C1 level entails a qualitative step forward in the learning process on the part of the student, enrolling for this level requires, at least, an equal amount of time devoted to additional personal work outside the class to that devoted in class. Throughout the course, and running parallel to class tasks, students must engage in systematic language use and interaction: Read different types of text (fiction, non-fiction, from press sources, ...) and on a variety of topics, listen to different types of text through a variety of media, and make the most of opportunities to interact, both in written and spoken form, with other learners and speakers.

### Assessment and Certification

The assessment criteria for C1 are referenced to the General and Skill-specific objectives, as described in the curriculum. Throughout the course, a system of continuous assessment will be carried out with the aim of scaffolding the learning process, providing awareness of progress and highlighting areas for improvement. This process of continuous assessment and self-assessment are an invaluable source of information for how the course is developing and for its final assessment.

### Final Exam

C1 level Exam	Exam parts	Timing	Mark
Written part	Reading Comprehension	50 min.	20 %
	Listening Comprehension	40 min.	20 %
	Written Expression and Interaction	90 min.	30 %
Spoken part	Task 1 (individually)	30 min. (per pair)	30 %
	Task 2 (in pairs)		
To obtain the C1 level Certificate one must score a mark of at least 65 out of 100			

## Bibliography

### Coursebook

- Outcomes Advanced (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition) Student's Book. Cengage Learning.

### Additional Reading

- 1st term: Personal choice from list (non-fiction)
- 2nd term: Reading club (fiction)

### Grammar

- MyGrammarLab Advanced C1/C2. Pearson
  - Cambridge Grammar Of English. Spoken and Written English Grammar and Usage. R. Carter & M. McCarthy.
  - Practical English Usage. M. Swan. Oxford
  - Advanced Learner's Grammar. M. Foley & D. Hall. Longman \*
  - Exploring Grammar in Context (Upper-intermediate & Advanced). R. Carter, R. Hughes & M. McCarthy. Cambridge \*
  - Advanced Language Practice (with key). M. Vince. Macmillan \*
  - Advanced Grammar in Use (with answers). M. Hewings. Cambridge \*
  - Grammar and Vocabulary for Cambridge Advanced and Proficiency. R. Side & G. Wellman. Longman \*
- \*(with practice)

### Vocabulary

- Oxford Word Skills Idioms and Phrasal Verbs. Advanced. Oxford
- Oxford Word Skills Advanced. Oxford
- English Collocations in Use Advanced. Cambridge
- English Phrasal Verbs In Use. Advanced. Cambridge

### English for Specific Purposes and Academic English

- Cambridge English for Job-Hunting. Cambridge
- Cambridge English for Engineering. Cambridge
- Cambridge English for Human Resources. Cambridge
- Cambridge English for Marketing. Cambridge
- Cambridge English for Nursing. Cambridge
- Cambridge English for Scientists. Cambridge
- Cambridge English for The Media. Cambridge
- Academic Vocabulary In Use. Cambridge

### Pronunciation

- English Pronunciation in Use Advanced. Cambridge

### Dictionaries

- Cambridge Advanced Learner's Dictionary. Cambridge
- COLLINS COBUILD Advanced Learner's English Dictionary + CD-ROM. Richmond
- Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary. Oxford
- Longman Language Activator: Helps You Write and Speak Natural English. Longman
- Longman Dictionary of English Language and Culture. Longman
- Oxford Dictionary of Collocations. Oxford
- Macmillan Advanced Learner Dictionary. Macmillan
- Longman Dictionary of Common Errors. New Edition. Longman

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