

Requirements for ESOL Cadets Examiners

Introduction

ESOL Cadets Examiners conduct the ESOL Cadets examinations **and** hold responsibility for making assessment decisions. Members of Centre staff acting as ESOL Cadets Examiners for Speaking Examinations must meet minimum professional requirements prior to authorisation by GA to act as an ESOL Cadets Examiner.

What are the minimum requirements?

- A first degree (or equivalent)
- An appropriate language teaching qualification
- Recent, relevant experience of teaching English (or teaching in English) to children

What level of English language is required?

- A minimum of Level 2 English (e.g. GCSE A-C or Grade 4-9; C1 or above)
- Eloquent and clear intelligibility and accuracy
- Familiarity with CEFR levels pre-A1, A1 and A2, and how these are interpreted in the context of English for Young Learners
- Ability to judge vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation, fluency and interaction in line with GA published mark schemes

What personal qualities and skills are required?

- Ability to communicate effectively with children and young teenagers
- Ability to encourage children and young teenagers to interact naturally under examination conditions
- Attention to detail
- Receptive to guidance and commitment to training and on-going CPD (continuing professional development) in the field of English language assessment
- Ability to complete assessment records and examination documentation fully and accurately

All ESOL Cadets Examiners will receive training from Gatehouse Awards on the conduct and assessment of ESOL Cadets examinations.