



Cambridge English



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Cambridge ESOL Preparation Centre Competition - Meet the two winners from Argentina!

Bibiana Alejandra Cordero from Mendoza and Andrea Fernanda Hurst from Buenos Aires, are two of the winners of the **2011 Cambridge ESOL Preparation Centre Competition**. As part of their prize, they were awarded a cultural trip to Cambridge along with 8 other winners from around the globe.

Last year, Cambridge ESOL invited preparation centres to write 100 words on how Cambridge ESOL exams have made a difference to students and teachers in their preparation centre.

"It's really important for English students to get as much exposure to the language as possible. Cambridge ESOL exams have helped motivate our students to learn English and part of this motivation is the value they place on achieving a certificate from Cambridge University."



"The first challenge students in my country face is the lack of exposure to the language as they have very few possibilities of speaking to native speakers. I try to create a classroom environment where students have to interact using English."

Extended certification - recognising candidates' true achievement

From March this year, Cambridge ESOL is making further important enhancements in the way we present candidates' results for many of our exams. 'Extended certification' will give many candidates additional credit for the language skills they have demonstrated and for what they can do with their language, and a clearer picture of how results relate to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR). This will help universities, employers, government bodies and other organisations to make informed decisions and increase opportunities for candidates.

Extended certification applies to:

- Cambridge English: Proficiency (CPE)
- Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE)
- Cambridge English: First (FCE) and First for Schools
- Cambridge English: Preliminary (PET) and Preliminary for Schools
- Cambridge English: Key (KET) and Key for Schools
- Business English Certificates: Preliminary, Vantage and Higher (BEC)

Cambridge English exams have always included items which cover a range of difficulty. Although each of these exams is targeted at a particular level on the CEFR, they also cover the levels immediately above and below, and extended certification allows candidates to receive credit for their performance at these levels. It is an enhancement to the way we report results, and does not change the content of the exams or the skills candidates need to demonstrate to achieve a particular grade.

[Click here](#) to read more about this new initiative.

CELTA Course in Chile

Are you interested in doing a CELTA Course? [Click here](#) to learn more about this course starting in January 2012.

