ELAE Exam Information

- **Paper 1 Writing (30%)**
- **Paper 2 Listening (30%)**: While listening (13%) and Note-taking (17%)
- **Paper 3 Reading (40%)**: Part 1-Skimming (15%) and Part 2-Detailed Reading (25%)

**PAPER 1 - WRITING (30%)**

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| • An extended question in note form, perhaps with some limited visual support, but with a fairly dense informational load. *For Ss’ optional use.*
• 1 essay question of 300-350 words.
• 65 minutes: 15 minutes planning time + 50 minutes writing time       | • argumentation / description of problems, solutions, causes, effects, similarities, differences     | • To assess written language ability (grammar / vocabulary) and the ability to construct a coherent piece of written text with a logical progression
• See ELAE Writing Criteria for full details                           |
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PAPER 3 - READING

Part 1 Skimming (15%)

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| • Science/social science theme  
  • Clearly organised text of 5-6 pages with strong internal coherence (usually from an undergraduate textbook) | • Matching headings with paragraphs  
  • 7-9 questions (including one distractor)  
  • 15-20 minutes. | • To locate quickly the main ideas in a text |

Part 2 Detailed Reading (25%)

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| • 2 contrasting or complementary texts that are thematically related  
  • Historical theme  
  • Between 2-3 pages for each text | • Short answers  
  • gap fill  
  • 5 questions on Text A  
  • 5 questions on Text B  
  • 6 questions on synthesis, collation)  
  • 50-60 min. | • To identify the main ideas of a text through careful, incremental and linear reading and by processing text at a deeper level  
  • To synthesise or collate information either from within the same text or across texts |