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The Euro and EuroPro exams test communicative competence by testing success in real communication. Exam tasks are directly based on the Common European Framework of the Council of Europe. Passing the Euro or the EuroPro Exam indicates that the candidate can undertake a variety of real-life tasks in English.

At the B2 EuroPro Exam there are five types of examination the candidate may attempt:

- · Monolingual Written (Written examination without the mediation test)
- · Bilingual Written (Written examination with the mediation test)
- · Oral (Oral Examination only)
- · Monolingual Complex (Written and oral examinations without the mediation test)
- · Bilingual Complex (written and oral examinations with the mediation test)

To pass any of these examinations the candidate must have an average mark of 60% over all the tests attempted and score at least 40% in every test.

If the candidate fails a complex examination, but has satisfied the conditions for passing either the written or the oral examination, s/he is awarded the written or oral examination.

| Test | Number of tasks | Time |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Mediation (Optional) | 2 | ca. 35' |
| Reading | 3 | 35' |
| Writing | 2 | 60' |
| Listening | 3 | ca. 35' |
| Speaking | 4 | 10 + 20' |
| Total time / Marks available | | Approx. 3 hrs mins + breaks |

Mediation Part One

(Time: 20 minutes)

Translation Hungarian to English

Dictionary use: The candidate may use a printed (i.e. non-electronic) dictionary throughout this task.

The candidate receives a formal or semi-formal letter of 80-90 words written in Hungarian. S/he has to translate the letter into English.

Mediation Part Two (Time: ca. 15 minutes)

Dictionary use: The candidate may use a printed (i.e. non-electronic) dictionary during the last two minutes of the test after the audio has finished.

Dialogue

The candidate hears a dialogue of 10 turns (including two examples) between two participants, a Hungarian (speaking in Hungarian) and an English speaker (speaking in English). The candidate writes down the main points of the conversation in the opposite language to the one s/he hears. Two examples are given.

Reading (Time: 35 minutes)

Dictionary use: The candidate may use a printed (i.e. non-electronic) dictionary thoughout the Reading Test.

Task 1 – Paragraph Headings

There are six paragraphs for which the candidate must find the most appropriate heading from a choice of eight paragraph headings. Two headings are not needed. An example is provided.

Task 2 – Scan Reading

The candidate reads four texts on a single topic and seven statements containing information from one of the texts. The candidate's task is to decide which text each statement comes from. An example is provided.

Task 3 – Multiple-Choice Reading

The candidate answers seven multiple choice comprehension questions based on a single text of 350-450 words, normally an article, letter or narrative.



Writing (Time: 60 minutes)

Dictionary use: The candidate may use a printed (i.e. non-electronic) dictionary thoughout the Writing Test.

Task 1 – Transactional Writing

The candidate reads several pieces of written or diagrammatic text (leaflets, notes, letters, maps, timetables) providing a context and information for the task. The candidate is asked to write a 100 - 120 word transactional formal or semi-formal letter or email using the information provided.

Task 2 – Discursive Writing

There are three tasks from which the candidate chooses one. The candidate must write a ca. 150 word text within the genre specified. The type of text could be an article, a review, a report, a descriptive or narrative composition, or a discursive essay.

Listening (Time: ca. 35 minutes)

Dictionary use: The candidate may use a printed (i.e. non-electronic) dictionary during the last five minutes of the test after the audio has finished.

Task 1 – Short Conversations

The candidate listens twice to six short recordings made in the same location, and matches them with eight pictures, diagrams or short pieces of text, (e.g. a list, email extracts, advertisements).

Task 2 – Making Notes

The candidate listens twice to an extended monologue. There are notes based on the text which contain nine gaps. Each gap requires a piece of information, which the candidate must write while listening in no more than three words.

Task 3 - Meeting

The candidate listens twice to an excerpt from a meeting. S/he answers ten multiple choice questions while listening. The programme may be news, documentary or formal discussion.

Speaking

(Time: 10 minutes preparation + 20 minutes interview)

Dictionary use: The candidate may use a printed (i.e. non-electronic) dictionary during the preparation period only.

Candidates are examined in pairs - or very occasionally in groups of three. There are two examiners: one an interlocutor, the other an assessor. The candidate has ten minutes before the test for preparing Task 2.

Task 1 – Interview

The interlocutor will ask the candidate one introductory question and then two questions on another topic. Topics include travel, work, family, sport, cinema, hobbies, education, relationships, housing, news and current affairs and the environment.

Task 2 - Presentation

The candidate receives a presentation topic. Before meeting the examiner, the candidate has had ten minutes to prepare the presentation. The candidate may make notes in the preparation stage, but should not read aloud from a prepared script.

Task 3 – Transactional Dialogues

The candidate receives a cue card. The card describes a situation, the candidate's role in the situation and gives instructions. The candidate speaks, the interlocutor gives a scripted reply and then the candidate responds to the reply. Each candidate will have three cue cards. Candidates alternate in doing this task.

Task 4 – Discussion

The candidates as a pair receive a topic card which contains a debatable point or question (e.g. what are some of the problems of living in a foreign country?). First they think of issues which answer the question or contribute to the debate. Then the candidates discuss, expand on and prioritise these issues. Task 4 is the only task in the speaking test in which the candidates talk to their partner.

