

Competition Regulations

(7th TESET – Thailand English Skills Evaluation Test)

For the Academic Year 2026

1. Introduction

The Thailand Academic Center (TAC) is an organization established to conduct academic activities and English language proficiency competitions for primary and secondary students across all educational sectors nationwide. TAC aims to enhance the standards of academic assessment in Thailand to ensure credibility, transparency, and international recognition.

Recognizing the importance of English as a global language for education, career development, and international communication, TAC has established an academic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Language Institute of Thammasat University (LITU). This collaboration focuses on developing standardized English language assessment systems, particularly in test design, quality assurance, and academic validity, to ensure comprehensive and fair evaluation across all four skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

TAC's English proficiency assessment programs are aligned with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), enabling systematic and internationally comparable measurement of language proficiency. After the examination, each participant receives an individual performance report by skill, which supports the identification of strengths and areas for improvement, guides personalized learning, and informs appropriate educational pathways at higher levels.

TAC is committed to developing a standardized platform for English language assessment and competition that promotes quality, equity, and access to educational opportunities for Thai youth nationwide. The programs also provide evidence-based insights for schools and educators to enhance English language instruction, empowering students to communicate effectively in English and to grow into globally competent individuals.

2. Objectives

2.1 To provide students with opportunities to participate in and gain experience from national-level English language competitions, promoting practical learning and age-appropriate expression of potential.

2.2 To foster motivation and positive attitudes toward the use of English for communication, knowledge acquisition, and lifelong learning, leading to continuous and sustainable self-development.

2.3 To systematically assess students' English language proficiency based on standardized measures, enabling them to identify strengths and areas for improvement, and to utilize the results in planning their academic pathways at higher levels.

2.4 To support and align with the policies of the Government and the Ministry of Education in enhancing students' English communication skills, using academic competitions as a key mechanism to improve learning quality and elevate assessment standards to be credible, transparent, and internationally comparable.

2.5 To provide schools and teachers with evidence-based data from assessment results, enabling effective instructional improvement, targeted skill development at both individual and group levels, and measurable enhancement of student outcomes.

2.6 To continuously develop the competition platform and English language assessment system in terms of test quality, examination processes, and reporting standards, thereby strengthening confidence among students, parents, and educational institutions at both national and international levels.

3. Eligibility of Applicants

The competitions are organized into **four levels** as follows:

- **Level 1:** Primary 1–3
- **Level 2:** Primary 4–6
- **Level 3:** Lower Secondary 1–3
- **Level 4:** Upper Secondary 4–6

3.1 Applicants must be students in Grades 1–12 (Primary 1–6 and Secondary 1–6) in Thailand from all types of educational institutions, including public schools, private schools, home schools, and international schools. Native speakers are not eligible to apply.

3.2 If any applicant is found to be ineligible after registration, the program reserves the right to disqualify the applicant and revoke any awards received without prior notice.

4. Test Features and Content

4.1 The examination consists of **80–100 multiple-choice questions** and is administered across the four levels: Primary 1–3, Primary 4–6, Lower Secondary 1–3, and Upper Secondary 4–6.

This structure ensures broad accessibility for students at each level and enables them to use the results to assess their proficiency and appropriately guide their future academic development.

4.2 Test Content by Level

• Level 1: Primary 1–3

Examination paper consists of 4 parts as follows:

Part I: Speaking (Dialogues & Short Conversations)

- ◆ Situational dialogues
- ◆ Short conversations

Part II: Writing (Grammar and Structure)

- ◆ Sentence completion

1 or 2 answer in each Question

- ◆ Pair of words has the same final sound / Pair of words has different final sound / Pair of words has the same vowel sound

Part III: Vocabulary

- ◆ Odd one out / Spelling / Synonym / Antonym / Meaning in context

- ◆ Sentence completion

1 or 2 answer in each Question

Part IV: Reading (Matching & Short Passages)

Advertisement, chart, menu, map, picture & sentence matching / Short passages

• Level 2: Primary 4–6

Examination paper consists of 4 parts as follows:

Part I: Speaking (Dialogues & Short Conversations)

Situational dialogues / Short conversations

Part II: Writing (Grammar and Structure)

- ◆ Sentence completion

- ◆ Error Identification / Pair of words has the same final sound / Pair of words has different final sound / Pair of words has the same vowel sound

Part III: Vocabulary

- ◆ Odd one out / Spelling / Synonym / Antonym / Meaning in context
- ◆ Sentence completion

Part IV: Reading

Advertisement, **chart and table calculation test** (if any), menu, map, signs, pictures, and notices / Short passages / Cloze test

• **Level 3:** Lower Secondary 1–3

Examination paper consists of 4 parts as follows:

Part I: Speaking (Dialogues & Long Conversations)

Situational dialogues / Short conversations / Long conversations

Part II: Writing (Grammar and Structure)

Sentence completion / Cloze test / Error identification / Rearrange the sentences into a meaningful paragraph

Part III: Vocabulary

- ◆ Synonym / Antonym / Meaning in context / Cloze test
- ◆ Sentence completion

Part IV: Reading (Short Passages and Long Passages)

advertisement and news, graph, **chart and table calculation test** (if any), menu, pictures, and notices / Short passages / Long passages

• **Level 4:** Upper Secondary 4–6

Examination paper consists of 4 parts as follows:

Part I: Speaking (Dialogues & Long Conversations)

Situational dialogues / Short conversations / Long conversations

Part II: Writing (Grammar and Structure)

Sentence completion / Cloze test / Error identification

Part III: Vocabulary

- ◆ Cloze test / Meaning recognition
- ◆ Sentence completion

Part IV: Reading (Short Passages and Long Passages)

advertisement and news, Web page, FAQs, / Short passages / Long passages

5. Application Procedures and Schedule

5.1 Application Period and Fees

The application period is open from now until **10 July 2026**. The application procedures and conditions are as follows:

(1) Individual applicants registering at central test centers must complete the application form at www.taccontest.com and submit proof of payment of the registration fee of **380 THB**. Applicants are required to notify the project staff of payment via one of the following channels:

- **LINE ID:** @taccontest, taccontest1, taccontest2, taccontest4
- **Email:** taccontest@hotmail.com
- **Tel:** +66 96-280-6657

(2) For students from participating schools serving as closed examination centers, the designated school coordinator shall submit the list of applicants using the official form and provide proof of total payment for all students. All submissions must be completed by 3 July 2026.

(3) An application shall be considered complete only upon full payment of the registration fee within the specified period. By submitting the application and payment, applicants acknowledge and agree to comply with all rules, regulations, and conditions of the program. The organizing committee reserves the right not to refund the registration fee under any circumstances, except in the event that the examination is canceled by the program.

(4) Payment Methods

Applicants must complete payment by **10 July 2026** via one of the following methods:

- (a) **QR Code Payment:** Available after completing and confirming the application on the official website.
- (b) **Bank Transfer:**

Bank: Kasikornbank

Account Type: Savings Account

Account Name: Academic Contest (Thailand) Co., Ltd.

Account Number: 102-1-80082-8

Applicants must submit proof of payment (transfer slip) to the project staff via **LINE** for verification and confirmation of registration.

5.2 Amendment of Applicant Information

Amendments to application details are permitted only before the application deadline. After the closing date, no changes to personal information will be allowed. Applicants are therefore advised to carefully review the accuracy and completeness of their information before submitting the application.

5.3 Announcement of Eligible Candidates

The list of eligible candidates will be announced on **11 July 2026 at 2:00 p.m.** via the official website:

www.taccontest.com.

Applicants who check their status after the announcement date and find incorrect information or missing records will not be permitted to make any changes under any circumstances.

5.4 Examination Admission Card Printing

All candidates may print their examination admission cards from **10 August 2026** onwards via

www.taccontest.com.

The admission card includes the following information:

- 8-digit Candidate Identification Number (to be used for marking on machine-scored answer sheets)
- Examination venue, building, floor, and room number

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5.5 Examination Format

- Examinations conducted at designated central test centers
- Examinations conducted at participating schools (closed examination centers)

5.6 Examination Schedule

The examination will be conducted in the form of a paper-based multiple-choice test, administered simultaneously nationwide as follows:

Level	Examination Date	Examination Time
Level 1: (Primary 1–3) Level 2: (Primary 4–6) Level 3: (Lower Secondary 1–3) Level 4: (Upper Secondary 4–6)	Sunday, 16 August 2026	9:00 – 10:30 a.m. (Morning Session)

Remarks:

After the examination, school coordinators at each test center are required to submit only the candidates’ answer sheets, arranged in order of seat numbers and separated by examination rooms, to the project administration center within 2 days from the examination date.

Candidates are allowed to retain their test booklets.

5.7 Dress Code and Identification Requirements

(1) Candidates must dress appropriately in their official school uniform bearing the school insignia and wear closed-toe shoes. Outerwear or jackets are not permitted inside the examination room.

(2) Candidates who are not enrolled in a formal school (Home School) must dress appropriately as follows:

- Female: White blouse with a black or navy skirt
- Male: White shirt with black or navy trousers

(3) Candidates must arrive at the examination room 15–30 minutes prior to the scheduled time and present a valid identification document, either a national ID card or an official student ID card with a photograph, at the designated test center.

Failure to present the required identification on the examination day will result in denial of entry to the examination.

5.8 Delivery of Examination Materials

The TAC Project Administration Center will deliver the examination materials to the designated school coordinators at each test center by **14 August 2026**.

Each package will include a cover sheet specifying the examination level, room number, and number of candidates. The contents of each package are as follows:

- Examination papers corresponding to the number of candidates in each examination room
- Answer sheets (computer-scored system)
- Candidate attendance list for signature

Remarks: Spare examination papers and answer sheets will be provided separately in designated packages.

5.9 Announcement of Individual Examination Results

Level	Result Announcement Date	Channel
Level 4: (Upper Secondary 4–6)	28 September 2026	www.taccontest.com From 2:00 p.m. onward
Level 3: (Lower Secondary 1–3)	1 October 2026	
Level 1: (Primary 4–6)	5 October 2026	
Level 1: (Primary 1–3)	9 October 2026	

6. Awards and Scholarships

Awards are granted separately for each level as follows:

(1) National Top Score Awards

National Rank	Award	Scholarship
1st Place	Trophy, Medal, and Certificate	3,000 THB
1st Runner-Up (2nd Place)	Trophy, Medal, and Certificate	2,000 THB
2nd Runner-Up (3rd Place)	Trophy, Medal, and Certificate	1,500 THB
4th–6th Places	Trophy, Medal, and Certificate	

Additional Conditions:

1. Gold Medal awards will be granted only to candidates who achieve a score of 90% or above, and will be considered separately for each level.

2. In the event of a tie among candidates ranked 1st–3rd, the scholarship amount will be equally shared among the eligible recipients.
3. If more than one candidate attains positions within ranks 1–6, trophies will be awarded to all eligible candidates in those ranks, with no limitation on the number of recipients per level.

(2) Standard Achievement Awards

Score	Award	Details
90% and above	Diamond Certificate	Printed Certificate or e-Certificate (subject to delivery conditions in Clause (3))
80% – below 90%	Gold Certificate	
70% – below 80%	Silver Certificate	
60% – below 70%	Bronze Certificate	
Below 60%	Participation Certificate	e-Certificate

(3) Award Delivery Conditions

1) Candidates who meet the program’s assessment criteria may download their certificates via www.facontest.com during October–December 2026.

2) Scholarship funds will be transferred to the recipients’ bank accounts as provided, following the official announcement of results.

3) Printed certificates, medals, and/or trophies will be delivered or awarded in accordance with the program’s arrangements, through the following channels:

- **Closed Examination Centers (Participating Schools):** Awards will be delivered to the respective schools for distribution to recipients.

- **Central Test Centers:** Awards will be delivered directly to the recipients’ home addresses as provided.

This arrangement is intended to ensure that all recipients receive their awards accurately and completely, particularly in cases where certain institutions may be unable to facilitate distribution on behalf of the recipients.

4) For candidates who take the examination at **central test centers** and wish to receive a **printed certificate delivered to their home address**, an express delivery fee of **120 THB** (inclusive of printing and packaging costs) is required.

If the delivery fee is not paid, candidates will receive an **electronic certificate (e-Certificate)** in accordance with the program’s conditions.

In cases where candidates are entitled to receive **medals and/or trophies** but do not opt for delivery, such awards will be delivered to the candidate’s school. Upon signature of receipt by the receiving institution, the program shall be deemed to have fully discharged its delivery obligations. Thereafter, recipients or their guardians must coordinate with the school to collect the awards. The program shall bear no further responsibility after the date of such receipt.

5) The program reserves the right to modify the details of awards without prior notice.

(4) Recognition of Honors

1) Candidates ranked among the top 1–6 will have their names recorded in the **Hall of Fame** on the official program website.

2) Candidates ranked among the top 1–6 will receive a **special certificate of distinction**, accompanied by a custom-designed cover or frame, as determined by the program.

7. Additional Conditions

The Company reserves the right to amend, revise, or update any provisions of these competition regulations as deemed appropriate, in order to align with prevailing circumstances, without prior notice.

All applicants and participants shall be deemed to have read, understood, and agreed to comply with all terms, conditions, and requirements set forth herein.

Such actions shall be undertaken with due regard to the protection and best interests of students as a primary consideration.