

## English Language Proficiency

To ensure you meet the English language proficiency requirements for the NZELTO programme you will be required to submit a video introducing yourself and to sit the online Duolingo English Test. Information below outlines how you should already be using the English language.

### English language requirements

Do you regularly:

- Hold conversations in English with foreign counterparts and visitors?
- Listen to English language news on the internet or on radio or television?
- Read books, articles or news in English?
- Write emails in English?

If not, you may find it difficult to benefit fully from the intensive New Zealand English Language Training for Officials (NZELTO) course.

To take part successfully in NZELTO, you should already be able to do the following things in speaking and writing:

- Describe your home, your family and other similar topics.
- Describe your job, including your daily routine and your responsibilities.
- Describe your education and the professional qualifications which you have.
- Describe the basic geography, political situation, recent history and the economy of your country.
- Identify key challenges of your job and suggest solutions.
- Explain simply the relations which your country has with its neighbours.
- Describe some problems which your country has, explain their causes and suggest solutions.
- Describe some problems which your region has, explain their causes and suggest solutions.
- Request information from a person or an institution about topics like the ones above.

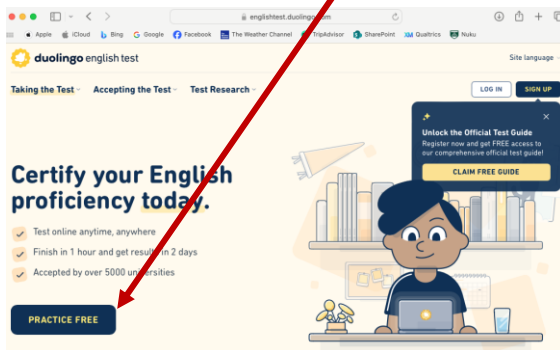
### Online Testing

You will be required to sit the Duolingo English Test as part of the selection process.

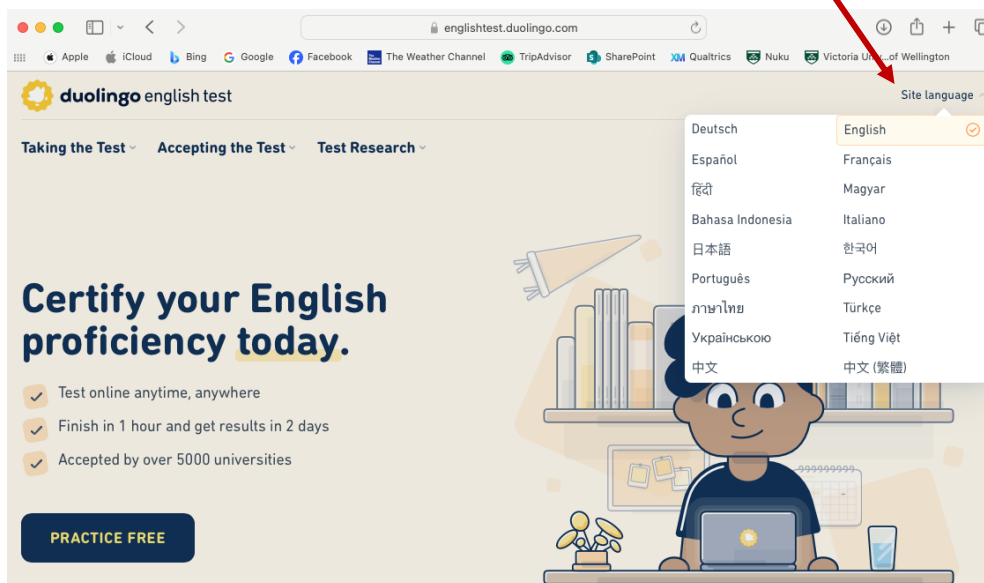
A number of tests are available now which are related to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). If you take one of these tests and score at the A1, A2 or near the bottom of B1 level, you are not ready for NZELTO.

As a first step, take a free practice test below and get an estimated score:

<https://englishtest.duolingo.com/applicants>



You can read the instructions in Arabic, French or Portuguese if you wish



Create an account if you are new to Duolingo. Keep a record of all the account details and use these to log in.

Applicants who a) meet all the NZELTO selection criteria and b) provide evidence of an intermediate level Duolingo English Test practice score will be invited to sit the Duolingo English Test.