

**English Language (EL) and English for Academic Purposes (EAP) Unit Standards –  
Unit standards mapped to NZ Certificates in English Language (NZCEL) graduate profile outcomes (GPOs)**

**READING**

<b>Foundation GPO:</b> Understand familiar written words and phrases for the most common everyday situations.	<b>Level 1 GPO:</b> Understand specific familiar information in simple everyday written texts.	<b>Level 2 GPO:</b> Understand the gist and key points in straightforward written texts on familiar everyday topics.	<b>Level 3 General GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and some specific details of written texts on reasonably familiar topics.	<b>Level 3 Applied GPO**:</b> Understand main ideas and some specific details of moderately complex written texts on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the applied context.	<b>Level 3 Academic GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and some specific details of moderately complex written texts on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the academic context.
<b>Unit 30993</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand basic English language words and phrases in a common everyday written text.	<b>Unit 30994</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a simple English language written text in an everyday context.	<b>Unit 30995</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a straightforward English language written text on a familiar topic.	<b>Unit 30997</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand an English language written text on a familiar topic <b>Graded</b>	<b>Unit 30996</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a moderately complex text in an applied context <i>Note: This standard will expire and not be replaced. Last date for assessment 31 December 2027</i>	<b>Unit 30511 EAP***</b> <b>6 credits</b> Read and process information on a familiar topic in English for academic purposes <i>Mandatory for Level 3 NZCEL Academic</i>
<b>Unit 31000</b> <b>10 credits</b> Read and understand basic English language written information for common everyday practical purposes	<b>Unit 31001</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a simple English language written text for an everyday practical purpose	<b>Unit 31002</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a straightforward English language written text for a routine practical purpose	<b>Unit 31004</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand an English language written text for a practical purpose	<b>Unit 31003</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand an English language written text for a practical purpose in an applied context	
	<b>Unit 31005</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a range of simple English language written texts independently	<b>Unit 31006</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a range of straightforward English language written texts independently	<b>Unit 31008</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a range of English language written texts independently	<b>Unit 31007</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and make connections independently across a range of moderately complex English written texts in an applied context	

CEFR\* = Common European Framework of Reference

**Level 3 GPO\*\*** = For the Level 3 Applied community and employment contexts, the standards aligned to the reading GPO are: **31003 and 31007**.

For the Level 3 Applied academic context, the standards are: **31003, 31007 and 30511**.

EAP\*\*\* = English for Academic Purposes.

Note: Each NZCEL GPO is worth 15 credits.

**READING**

<b>Level 4 General GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and supporting details of moderately complex written texts of a general nature.	<b>Level 4 Employment GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and supporting details of complex written texts in employment contexts.	<b>Level 4 Academic GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and supporting details of moderately complex written academic texts.
<b>Unit 30999</b> <b>10 credits</b> Read and understand moderately complex English language written texts.	<b>Unit 30999</b> <b>10 credits</b> Read and understand moderately complex English language written texts.	<b>Unit 30998</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and understand a moderately complex English language academic written text.
<b>Unit 31011</b> <b>5 credits</b>	<b>Unit 31010</b> <b>5 credits</b>	<b>Unit 31009*</b> <b>5 credits</b> Read and evaluate a range of extended English language written texts

Read and understand a range of extended English language written texts independently	Read and make connections across a range of extended English written texts independently in an employment context	independently for an academic research question
		<b>Unit 22751 EAP</b> <b>6 credits</b> Read and process information in English for academic purposes <i>Mandatory for Level 4 NZCEL Academic</i>

*Unit 31009\* = This unit standard was developed to encourage wide-reading at this level. It is optional for Level 4 Academic reading GPO.*

**Unit standards mapped to NZ Certificates in English Language (NZCEL) graduate profile outcomes (GPOs)**  
*Completion of the unit standards below can lead towards meeting the requirements for the NZCEL qualification.*

**WRITING**

<b>Foundation GPO:</b> Write simple isolated phrases and sentences giving personal information.	<b>Level 1 GPO:</b> Write short simple texts relating to personal and everyday topics.	<b>Level 2 GPO:</b> Write simple, connected texts on familiar everyday topics.	<b>Level 3 General GPO:</b> Write connected texts on reasonably familiar topics.	<b>Level 3 Applied GPO*:</b> Write clear connected texts on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the applied context.	<b>Level 3 Academic GPO:</b> Write clear connected texts on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the academic context.
<b>Unit 31030</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write phrases and simple sentences on a personal topic in English language	<b>Unit 27996</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a simple text on an everyday topic in English language	<b>Unit 27999</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a simple connected text on a familiar topic in English language	<b>Unit 28068</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a connected text on a familiar topic in English language <b>Graded</b>	<b>Unit 31033</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a clear connected text in an applied context in English language	<b>Unit 30507 EAP</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a short text under test conditions in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 3 NZCEL Academic</i>
<b>Unit 31041</b> <b>10 credits</b> Write a basic text for a practical purpose related to personal need in English language	<b>Unit 27997</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a simple text for a practical everyday purpose in English language	<b>Unit 28000</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a simple text for a practical purpose in English language	<b>Unit 28069</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a text for a practical purpose in English language <b>Graded</b>	<b>Unit 31044</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a text for a practical purpose in an applied context in English language	<b>Unit 30508 EAP</b> <b>6 credits</b> Write a short crafted text using resource material in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 3 NZCEL Academic</i>
<b>Unit 31036</b> <b>5 credits</b> Complete a basic form with personal information in English language	<b>Unit 27998</b> <b>5 credits</b> Complete a simple form with personal information in English language	<b>Unit 28001</b> <b>5 credits</b> Complete a form in English language	<b>Unit 28070</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a response for a specific purpose in English language <b>Graded</b>		

**Level 3 GPO\*** = For the Level 3 Applied community and employment contexts, the standards aligned to the writing GPO are: 31033 and 31044. To make up the 15 credits required for this GPO, providers can use these two standards, **and an internally developed assessment worth 5 credits**. For the Level 3 Applied academic context, the standards are: 31044, 30508 and 30507.

Note: Each NZCEL GPO is worth 15 credits.

**WRITING**

<b>Level 4 General GPO:</b> Write detailed, developed, moderately complex texts of a general nature.	<b>Level 4 Employment GPO:</b> Write detailed, developed, complex texts in employment contexts.	<b>Level 4 Academic GPO:</b> Write detailed, developed, moderately complex academic texts.
<b>Unit 31035</b> <b>15 credits</b> Write moderately complex texts on general topics in English language	<b>Unit 31046</b> <b>15 credits</b> Write a range of texts for practical purposes in an employment context in English	<b>Unit 31040</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write an evaluation for a specific purpose in an academic context in English language
		<b>Unit 22749 EAP</b> <b>5 credits</b> Write a text under test conditions in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 4 NZCEL Academic</i>
		<b>Unit 22750 EAP</b> <b>6 credits</b> Write a crafted text using researched material in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 4 NZCEL Academic</i>

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## SPEAKING

<b>Foundation GPO:</b> Participate in simple spoken discourse with familiar people on familiar and personal topics in areas of most immediate need.	<b>Level 1 GPO:</b> Participate in short spoken discourse of immediate personal relevance for social and transactional purposes in familiar everyday situations.	<b>Level 2 GPO:</b> Participate in straightforward spoken discourse on familiar everyday topics.	<b>Level 3 General GPO:</b> Participate with reasonable fluency in spoken discourse on most familiar topics.	<b>Level 3 Applied GPO*:</b> Participate with increasing independence and fluency in sustained spoken discourse on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the applied context.	<b>Level 3 Academic GPO:</b> Participate with increasing independence and fluency in sustained spoken discourse on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the academic context.
<b>Unit 31024</b> <b>5 credits</b> Present basic information on an everyday personal topic in English language	<b>Unit 31025</b> <b>5 credits</b> Present simple information on an everyday familiar topic in English language	<b>Unit 31026</b> <b>5 credits</b> Present information on a familiar topic in English language	<b>Unit 31027</b> <b>5 credits</b> Deliver a developed presentation on a familiar topic in English language <b>Graded</b>	<b>Unit 31015</b> <b>5 credits</b> Participate in a moderately complex spoken interaction in an applied context in English language	<b>Unit 30510 EAP</b> <b>5 credits</b> Deliver a short oral presentation in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 3 NZCEL Academic</i>
<b>Unit 31012</b> <b>10 credits</b> Participate in basic everyday spoken interactions in English language	<b>Unit 31013</b> <b>10 credits</b> Participate in simple everyday spoken interactions in English language	<b>Unit 31014</b> <b>5 credits</b> Participate in a straightforward spoken interaction on a familiar topic in English language	<b>Unit 31016</b> <b>5 credits</b> Participate in a spoken interaction on a familiar topic in English language <b>Graded</b>	<b>Unit 31021</b> <b>5 credits</b> Participate in a formal interview in an applied context in English language	
		<b>Unit 31020</b> <b>5 credits</b> Participate in an interview on a familiar topic in English language	<b>Unit 28062</b> <b>5 credits</b> Participate in a formal interview in English language <b>Graded</b>		

Level 3 GPO\* = For the Level 3 Applied community and employment contexts, the standards aligned to the speaking GPO are 31015 and 31021. To make up the 15 credits required for this GPO, providers can use these two standards, **and an internally developed assessment worth 5 credits**. For the Level 3 Applied academic context, the standards aligned to this GPO are listed above.

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## SPEAKING

<b>Level 4 General GPO:</b> Participate effectively in sustained spoken discourse for social and transactional purposes.	<b>Level 4 Employment GPO:</b> Participate effectively in sustained spoken discourse in employment contexts.	<b>Level 4 Academic GPO:</b> Participate effectively in sustained spoken discourse in academic contexts.
<b>Unit 31029</b> <b>5 credits</b> Deliver a developed and sustained presentation in English language	<b>Unit 31028</b> <b>5 credits</b> Present workplace information to a specified audience in English language	<b>Unit 22891</b> <b>5 credits</b> Deliver an oral presentation in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 4 NZCEL Academic</i>
<b>Unit 31019</b> <b>10 credits</b> Participate in sustained spoken interactions in English language	<b>Unit 31018</b> <b>5 credits</b> Negotiate a complex spoken transaction in an employment context in English language	<b>Unit 31017</b> <b>10 credits</b> Participate in sustained discussions in English language in an academic context
	<b>Unit 31023</b> <b>5 credits</b> Participate in a sustained formal interview in English language	

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## LISTENING

<b>Foundation GPO:</b> Understand familiar spoken words and very basic phrases for the most common everyday situations.	<b>Level 1 GPO:</b> Understand frequently used spoken expressions and simple spoken discourse on areas of immediate personal relevance in familiar everyday situations.	<b>Level 2 GPO:</b> Understand the gist and key points in straightforward spoken discourse, oral texts and exchanges on familiar everyday topics.	<b>Level 3 General GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and some specific details of oral texts on reasonably familiar topics.	<b>Level 3 Applied GPO*:</b> Understand main ideas and some specific details of moderately complex oral texts on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the applied context.	<b>Level 3 Academic GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and some specific details of moderately complex oral texts on reasonably familiar topics relevant to the academic context.
<b>Unit 30978</b> <b>10 credits</b> Listen to and understand basic English language spoken texts in common everyday situations.	<b>Unit 30979</b> <b>10 credits</b> Listen to and understand simple English language spoken texts in everyday situations.	<b>Unit 30980</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand a straightforward English language spoken text on a familiar topic.	<b>Unit 30982</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to understand an English language spoken text on a familiar topic. <b>Graded</b>	<b>Unit 30981</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand a moderately complex English language spoken text in an applied context.	<b>Unit 30509 EAP</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and process information about a familiar topic in a short spoken text in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 3 NZCEL Academic</i>
<b>Unit 30983</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand basic English language spoken instructions in common everyday situations.	<b>Unit 30984</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand simple English language spoken instructions in everyday situations.	<b>Unit 30985</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand straightforward English language spoken instructions in a familiar context.	<b>Unit 30987</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand English language spoken instructions in a familiar context.	<b>Unit 30986</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand moderately complex English language spoken instructions in an applied context.	
		<b>Unit 30988</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand a straightforward English language spoken interaction on a familiar topic.	<b>Unit 30990</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand an English language spoken interaction in a familiar context. <b>Graded</b>	<b>Unit 30989</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and understand a moderately complex English language spoken interaction in an applied context.	

Level 3 GPO\* = For the Level 3 Applied community and employment contexts, the standards aligned to the listening GPO are 30981, 30986 and 30989. For the academic context, the standards are 30986, 30989 and 30509.

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## LISTENING

<b>Level 4 General GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and supporting details of moderately complex oral texts for social and transactional purposes.	<b>Level 4 Employment GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and supporting details of complex oral texts in employment contexts.	<b>Level 4 Academic GPO:</b> Understand main ideas and supporting details of moderately complex oral academic texts.
<b>Unit 30992</b> <b>15 credits</b> Listen to and understand complex English language spoken texts.	<b>Unit 30992</b> <b>15 credits</b> Listen to and understand complex English language spoken texts.	<b>Unit 30991</b> <b>10 credits</b> Listen to and understand formal English language spoken texts in an academic context.
		<b>Unit 22892 EAP</b> <b>5 credits</b> Listen to and process information from a spoken text in English for an academic purpose <i>Mandatory for Level 4 NZCEL Academic</i>