

# Language Cert

A PeopleCert brand

## 1. Giving out factual information

	B1	B2	C1
• identifying/specifying	✓	✓	✓
• correcting positive and negative statements	✓	✓	✓
• narrating	✓	✓	✓
• describing	✓	✓	✓
• asking questions to obtain confirmation or denial	✓	✓	✓
• asking questions to obtain information	✓	✓	✓
• asking questions to obtain descriptions	✓	✓	✓
• asking questions to obtain specifications	✓	✓	✓
• responding to requests for confirmation	✓	✓	✓
• responding to requests for information	✓	✓	✓
• responding to requests for identification	✓	✓	✓
• comparing	✓	✓	✓
• reporting	✓	✓	✓
• explaining	✓	✓	✓
• stating		✓	✓

## 2. Expressing and finding out attitudes

### 2.1 Factual: agreement etc

	B1	B2	C1
• Expressing agreement with a statement	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing disagreement with a statement	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing views with reasons	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about agreement and disagreement	✓	✓	✓
• Denying statements	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing agreement reluctantly or with reservation		✓	✓
• Conceding, demurring		✓	✓
• Inviting agreement or disagreement		✓	✓

## 2.2 Factual: knowledge

	B1	B2	C1
• Expressing one's knowledge or ignorance of a person, thing or fact	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about another's knowledge or ignorance of a person, thing or fact	✓	✓	✓
• Stating whether one remembers or has forgotten a person, thing, fact or action	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring whether another remembers or has forgotten a person, thing, fact or action	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing degrees of probability	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about degrees of probability	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing or denying necessity (including logical deduction)	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about necessity	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing one's certainty or uncertainty of something (strong/positive/intermediate/weak/negative)	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about another's certainty or uncertainty of something	✓	✓	✓
• Reminding someone		✓	✓
• Asserting knowledge or ignorance		✓	✓
• Expressing doubt, incredulity		✓	✓
• Expressing bewilderment		✓	✓
• Classifying		✓	✓
• Generalising		✓	✓
• Defining		✓	✓
• Hypothesising		✓	✓
• Asking for definitions			✓
• Speculating			✓
• Negotiating		✓	✓

## 2.3 Factual: modality

	B1	B2	C1
• Expressing ability or inability	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about ability or inability	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing one's obligation (or lack of) to do something	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about one's obligation to do something	✓	✓	✓
• Granting permission	✓	✓	✓
• Denying permission	✓	✓	✓
• Seeking permission	✓	✓	✓
• Responding to granting of permission	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing permissibility	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about permissibility	✓	✓	✓

## 2.4 Volitional

	B1	B2	C1
• Expressing want, desire or need (positive and negative)	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about want, desire or need	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing intention (positive and negative)	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about intention	✓	✓	✓

• Expressing and responding to preference	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about preference	✓	✓	✓

## 2.5 Emotional

	B1	B2	C1
• Expressing liking, with reasons	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing dislike, with reasons	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about likes and dislikes	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing pleasure, happiness with reasons	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing displeasure, unhappiness with reasons	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about pleasure, happiness/ displeasure, unhappiness	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing hope			✓
• Expressing satisfaction	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing dissatisfaction	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about satisfaction	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing disappointment	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing gratitude	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing feelings	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing interest	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing lack of interest	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about interest or lack of interest	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing surprise	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing lack of surprise	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing fear			✓
• Giving reassurance	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about fear/worry	✓	✓	✓
• Reacting to an expression of gratitude			✓
• Expressing regret/sympathy/condolence	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing fellow-feeling, empathy		✓	✓
• Expressing pain, anguish, suffering		✓	✓
• Enquiring about pain, anguish, suffering		✓	✓
• Expressing relief		✓	✓
• Expressing indifference		✓	✓
• Expressing fatigue, resignation		✓	✓

## 2.6 Moral

	B1	B2	C1
• Offering an apology	✓	✓	✓
• Accepting an apology	✓	✓	✓
• Granting forgiveness	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing approval	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing appreciation	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing regret	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing indifference	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing moral obligation	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing disapproval	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring about approval/disapproval	✓	✓	✓

• Expressing regret/sympathy		✓	✓
• Denying blame		✓	✓

### 3. Getting things done

	B1	B2	C1
• Responding to a request	✓	✓	✓
• Requesting something	✓	✓	✓
• Requesting someone to do something	✓	✓	✓
• Inviting someone to do something	✓	✓	✓
• Giving instructions or orders	✓	✓	✓
• Accepting an offer or invitation	✓	✓	✓
• Declining an offer or invitation	✓	✓	✓
• Enquiring whether an offer or invitation is accepted or declined	✓	✓	✓
• Advising others to do something	✓	✓	✓
• Warning others to take care or to refrain from doing something	✓	✓	✓
• Offering assistance	✓	✓	✓
• Asking for assistance	✓	✓	✓
• Insisting politely	✓	✓	✓
• Persuading	✓	✓	✓
• Suggesting a course of action	✓	✓	✓
• Agreeing to a suggestion	✓	✓	✓
• Encouraging someone to do something	✓	✓	✓
• Asking for advice	✓	✓	✓
• Responding to advice	✓	✓	✓
• Rejecting advice with reason	✓	✓	✓
• Making/agreeing plans and arrangements	✓	✓	✓
• Compromising	✓	✓	✓
• Prohibiting	✓	✓	✓
• Complaining	✓	✓	✓
• Asking for suggestions	✓	✓	✓
• Responding to suggestions	✓	✓	✓
• Rejecting suggestion with reason/alternative	✓	✓	✓
• Refusing to do something		✓	✓
• Expressing defiance		✓	✓
• Giving encouragement		✓	✓
• Pleading		✓	✓

### 4. Socialising

	B1	B2	C1
• Attracting attention	✓	✓	✓
• Greeting people	✓	✓	✓
• Responding to greetings	✓	✓	✓
• Responding to offers or invitations	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing thanks	✓	✓	✓
• Addressing friends and strangers	✓	✓	✓
• Making formal and informal introductions	✓	✓	✓

• Reacting to being introduced	✓	✓	✓
• Congratulating	✓	✓	✓
• Proposing a toast	✓	✓	✓
• Taking leave	✓	✓	✓
• Hesitating	✓	✓	✓
• Praising	✓	✓	✓
• Complimenting	✓	✓	✓
• Making someone welcome		✓	✓
• Giving constructive criticism			✓
• Responding to criticism			✓
• Offering someone something	✓	✓	✓
• Rebuking			✓

### 5. Structuring discourse

	B1	B2	C1
• Opening	✓	✓	✓
• Hesitating, looking for words	✓	✓	✓
• Correcting oneself	✓	✓	✓
• Interrupting politely	✓	✓	✓
• Enumerating	✓	✓	✓
• Summarising	✓	✓	✓
• Closing	✓	✓	✓
• Expressing an opinion	✓	✓	✓
• Asking someone's opinion	✓	✓	✓
• Exemplifying	✓	✓	✓
• Emphasising	✓	✓	✓
• Handing over to another speaker	✓	✓	✓
• Indicating a wish to continue or finish speaking	✓	✓	✓
• Encouraging someone to continue speaking	✓	✓	✓
• Interacting with speaker		✓	✓

### 6. Telephone

	B1	B2	C1
• Opening/announcing self	✓	✓	✓
• Asking for extension, person	✓	✓	✓
• Announcing new call	✓	✓	✓
• Asking someone to wait	✓	✓	✓
• Confirming understanding on both sides	✓	✓	✓
• Signing off		✓	✓

### 7. Letter

	B1	B2	C1
• Formal and informal opening	✓	✓	✓
• Closing	✓	✓	✓

## 8. Communication repair

	B1	B2	C1
• Signalling non-understanding	✓	✓	✓
• Asking someone to spell something	✓	✓	✓
• Asking for clarification and explanation	✓	✓	✓
• Responding to clarification and explanation	✓	✓	✓
• Asking for repetition of sentence, word or phrase	✓	✓	✓
• Asking for confirmation of understanding	✓	✓	✓
• Asking someone to write something down	✓	✓	✓
• Appealing for assistance	✓	✓	✓
• Asking someone to slow down	✓	✓	✓
• Responding to requests for clarification	✓	✓	✓
• Paraphrasing	✓	✓	✓
• Checking another's understanding	✓	✓	✓
• Substituting for forgotten word or phrase		✓	✓
• Covering hesitation while searching for word or phrase		✓	✓
• Objecting, protesting		✓	✓

## Topics

### 1. Personal identification

	B1	B2	C1
• Name	✓	✓	✓
• Address	✓	✓	✓
• Telephone/fax number	✓	✓	✓
• Date and place of birth	✓	✓	✓
• Age	✓	✓	✓
• Sex	✓	✓	✓
• Marital status	✓	✓	✓
• Nationality	✓	✓	✓
• Origin	✓	✓	✓
• Occupation	✓	✓	✓
• Family	✓	✓	✓
• Likes and dislikes	✓	✓	✓
• Physical appearance	✓	✓	✓
• Email address	✓	✓	✓
• Title	✓	✓	✓
• First language	✓	✓	✓
• Character	✓	✓	✓
• Image			✓

### 2. House & Home and local environment

	B1	B2	C1
• Types of accommodation	✓	✓	✓
• Interior design	✓	✓	✓
• Local & regional services/amenities	✓	✓	✓
• Regional geographical features	✓	✓	✓
• Local flora and fauna	✓	✓	✓
• Region-specific phenomena			✓

### 3. Daily life

	B1	B2	C1
• At home	✓	✓	✓
• At work	✓	✓	✓
• Income	✓	✓	✓
• Prospects	✓	✓	✓
• Stress			✓
• Money Management			✓

### 4. Free time and entertainment

	B1	B2	C1
• Leisure, hobbies & interests	✓	✓	✓
• TV, radio, cinema, theatre	✓	✓	✓
• Computer, internet	✓	✓	✓
• Intellectual/artistic pursuits	✓	✓	✓
• Sports	✓	✓	✓
• Press	✓	✓	✓
• Music	✓	✓	✓
• Exhibitions, museums	✓	✓	✓
• Photography		✓	✓
• The written word (reading, letter-writing, diaries etc)		✓	✓
• Leisure/work ratio			✓

### 5. Travel

	B1	B2	C1
• Public & private transport	✓	✓	✓
• Traffic & traffic control	✓	✓	✓
• Green travel	✓	✓	✓
• Holidays	✓	✓	✓
• Accommodation	✓	✓	✓
• Entering and leaving a country	✓	✓	✓
• Common currency eg the euro			✓
• Migration			✓



## 6. Relations with other people

	B1	B2	C1
• Family relationships	✓	✓	✓
• Friendship	✓	✓	✓
• Manners	✓	✓	✓
• Social conventions	✓	✓	✓
• Anti-social behaviour			✓

## 7. Health and bodycare

	B1	B2	C1
• Parts of the body	✓	✓	✓
• Personal comfort	✓	✓	✓
• Hygiene	✓	✓	✓
• Ailments, accidents	✓	✓	✓
• Medical services	✓	✓	✓
• Exercise regimes			✓
• Pandemics			✓

## 8. Shopping

	B1	B2	C1
• Shopping facilities	✓	✓	✓
• Foodstuffs	✓	✓	✓
• Clothes, fashion	✓	✓	✓
• Household articles	✓	✓	✓
• Prices	✓	✓	✓
• Ethical shopping			✓
• Retail therapy			✓

## 9. Food and drink

	B1	B2	C1
• Types of food and drink	✓	✓	✓
• Eating and drinking out	✓	✓	✓
• Eating habits		✓	✓
• Sourcing food locally		✓	✓
• Fast food		✓	✓
• Organic food		✓	✓
• Year-round availability		✓	✓
• Dieting		✓	✓
• Food fashions			✓

## 10. Services

	B1	B2	C1
• Communications	✓	✓	✓
• Financial services	✓	✓	✓
• Emergency services	✓	✓	✓

• Leisure facilities	✓	✓	✓
• Care for the elderly		✓	✓
• IT in the community		✓	✓
• Diplomatic services			✓
• Employment agencies			✓

**11. Places & location**

	B1	B2	C1
• Asking the way and giving directions	✓	✓	✓
• Location	✓	✓	✓
• Satellite navigation systems		✓	✓
• World Heritage sites		✓	✓
• Locations for motorways & airports		✓	✓
• Protecting open spaces		✓	✓
• How geography affects the people			✓
• Alternative places to live eg underwater, on Mars			✓

**12. Language**

	B1	B2	C1
• Foreign language ability	✓	✓	✓
• Accents & dialects	✓	✓	✓
• Preserving minority languages		✓	✓
• Bilingualism		✓	✓
• Universal languages eg Esperanto			✓
• Body language			✓

**13. Weather**

	B1	B2	C1
• Climate and weather	✓	✓	✓
• Weather forecasting	✓	✓	✓
• Climate change		✓	✓
• Extreme weather		✓	✓
• Weather and mood			✓

**14. Measures and shapes**

	B1	B2	C1
• Digits and numbers up to 31	✓	✓	✓
• Digits and numbers up to 100 and multiples of 100	✓	✓	✓
• All digits and cardinal numbers	✓	✓	✓
• Telephone numbers	✓	✓	✓
• Height, length, weight, capacity, temperature	✓	✓	✓
• Dates, times, days	✓	✓	✓
• Shape	✓	✓	✓
• Statistics		✓	✓
• Processes		✓	✓
• Importance of maths in everyday life			✓

**15. Education**

	B1	B2	C1
• Schooling	✓	✓	✓
• Subjects	✓	✓	✓
• Qualifications and examinations	✓	✓	✓
• Education systems			✓
• Teaching and learning			✓

**16. The environment**

	B1	B2	C1
• Pollution		✓	✓
• Global warming		✓	✓
• Endangered species			✓
• Future of the planet			✓

**17. Beliefs**

	B1	B2	C1
• The paranormal & supernatural		✓	✓
• Superstitions		✓	✓
• Unexplained phenomena eg UFOs, coincidences etc.		✓	✓

**18. Arts**

	B1	B2	C1
• Modern art, theatre, architecture		✓	✓
• Classical art, theatre, architecture		✓	✓
• Literature			✓
• Popular culture			✓

**19. Science & technology**

	B1	B2	C1
• Scientific development		✓	✓
• Space exploration		✓	✓
• Power of the computer		✓	✓
• Important inventions		✓	✓
• Genetic modification			✓
• Ethics			✓
• Animal testing			✓

**20. Society**

	B1	B2	C1
• Individual rights		✓	✓
• Family life		✓	✓
• Parental responsibilities		✓	✓
• Social responsibilities		✓	✓
• Equal opportunities		✓	✓
• Human rights			✓
• Citizenship			✓
• The Global Village			✓