

BARRON'S

The Trusted Name in Test Prep

IELTS®

SIXTH EDITION



UP-TO-DATE REVIEW AND PRACTICE

- 6 full-length practice tests
- 25 listening modules to improve comprehension



ONLINE AUDIO

Lin Lougheed, Ed.D.

สำนักหอสมุด มหาวิทยาลัยเชียงใหม่

BARRON'S

IELTS®

616705555

012577339

122685777

SIXTH EDITION



Lin Lougheed, Ed.D.

Teachers College
Columbia University

IELTS® is a registered trademark of University of Cambridge ESOL, the British Council,
and IDP Education Australia, which neither sponsor nor endorse this product.

CONTENTS

1 Introduction	1
Using This Book	3
Questions and Answers About IELTS	4
2 Preparing for IELTS	9
A Study Contract	9
Exam Day Tips	14
3 Listening	15
Quick Study	16
Overview	16
Question Types	16
Listening Tips	17
Completing the Blanks	18
Listening Skills	24
Skill 1—Making Assumptions	24
Skill 2—Understanding Numbers	30
Skill 3—Understanding the Alphabet	32
Skill 4—Distinguishing Similar Sounds	34
Skill 5—Listening for Time	36
Skill 6—Listening for Frequency	41
Skill 7—Listening for Similar Meanings	43
Skill 8—Listening for Emotions	44
Skill 9—Listening for an Explanation	46
Skill 10—Listening for Classifications	48
Skill 11—Listening for Comparisons and Contrasts	50
Skill 12—Listening for Negative Meaning	52
Skill 13—Listening for Chronology	55
Answer Explanations	57
4 Reading	63
Quick Study	64
Overview	64
Question Types	64
Reading Tips	66

Reading Skills: Academic	67
Skill 1—Using the First Paragraph to Make Predictions.....	67
Skill 2—Using the Topic Sentence to Make Predictions.....	69
Skill 3—Looking for Supporting Details.....	72
Skill 4—Using Key Words.....	73
Skill 5—Locating Information.....	76
Reading Skills: General Training	89
Skill 6—Making Predictions.....	89
Skill 7—Finding the Answers.....	92
Skill 8—Identifying the Tasks.....	97
Answer Explanations	106
 5 Writing	117
Quick Study	118
Overview	118
Question Types.....	118
Assessment Criteria.....	118
Writing Tips	119
Task Achievement Skills	120
Task 1—Academic Writing	120
Skill 1—Determining the Task.....	120
Skill 2—Determining the Topic.....	123
Skill 3—Making Comparisons	124
Skill 4—Making an Outline.....	126
Skill 5—Writing the Introduction	130
Skill 6—Writing the Paragraphs	132
Skill 7—Writing the Conclusion	135
Task 1—General Training Writing	138
Skill 8—Determining the Task.....	138
Skill 9—Determining the Topic.....	140
Skill 10—Brainstorming Ideas	141
Skill 11—Making an Outline.....	144
Skill 12—Writing the Introduction.....	148
Skill 13—Writing the Paragraphs.....	152
Skill 14—Writing the Conclusion	154
Task 2—General Training and Academic Writing	157
Skill 15—Determining the Task.....	157
Skill 16—Developing a Thesis Statement.....	158
Skill 17—Organizing Your Writing	159
Skill 18—Writing the Introduction.....	164
Skill 19—Writing the Paragraphs.....	168
Skill 20—Writing the Conclusion.....	172
Writing Skills	175
Coherence and Cohesion	175
Skill 21—Transition Words	175
Skill 22—Repeating and Rephrasing	183

Skill 23—Pronouns	185
Skill 24—Stating Your Opinion	186
Skill 25—Generalizing and Qualifying	188
Skill 26—Synonyms	189
Grammatical Range and Accuracy	191
Skill 27—Plural Nouns	191
Skill 28—Articles	194
Skill 29—Gerunds and Infinitives	196
Skill 30—Parallel Structures	198
Skill 31—Sentence Types	200
Skill 32—Punctuation	203
Skill 33—Commonly Misspelled Words	205
Revision	206
Skill 34—Using a Revision Checklist	206
Responding to the Task	207
Coherence and Cohesion	208
Lexical Resource	209
Grammatical Range and Accuracy	209
Answer Explanations	216
6 Speaking	235
Quick Study	236
Overview	236
Question Types	236
Speaking Tips	240
Speaking Skills	242
Part 1: Introduction and Interview	242
Skill 1—Talking About Yourself	242
Part 2: Long Turn	248
Skill 2—Organizing a Topic	248
Skill 3—Discussing a Topic	251
Skill 4—Verb Tenses	252
Skill 5—Sequence	253
Skill 6—Comparing and Contrasting	254
Skill 7—Cause and Effect	256
Skill 8—Describing	257
Skill 9—Responding to Follow-up Questions	258
Part 3: Discussion	260
Skill 10—Explaining an Issue in Depth	260
Skill 11—Describing an Issue in Depth	262
Skill 12—Comparing and Contrasting an Issue in Depth	264
Skill 13—Giving an In-Depth Opinion	266
General Speaking Skills	268
Skill 14—Asking for Clarification	268
Skill 15—Delay Tactics	269
Skill 16—Avoiding Short Answers	270

Skill 17—Word Families and Stress	271
Skill 18—Sentence Stress.....	272
Skill 19—Lists and Intonation.....	273
Answer Explanations.....	274
7 IELTS Model Tests.....	291
Academic Model Test 1.....	293
Academic Model Test 1—Answer Explanations	324
Academic Model Test 2.....	331
Academic Model Test 2—Answer Explanations	363
Academic Model Test 3.....	371
Academic Model Test 3—Answer Explanations	401
Academic Model Test 4	407
Academic Model Test 4—Answer Explanations.....	438
General Training: Reading and Writing Model Test 1.....	445
General Training Model Test 1—Answer Explanations.....	465
General Training: Reading and Writing Model Test 2.....	467
General Training Model Test 2—Answer Explanations.....	487
8 Audioscripts.....	489