Instructions for use of the REW Quick Placement Test (QPT) Paper
Version + Writing Task

Overview
The QPT and Writing Task are used to decide how many weeks ELICOS a student requires to meet their study / personal needs. The QPT is divided into two parts 1 and 2. Part 2 is only required if the student scores 35 or more on Part 1. The overall QPT score determines which writing task the student should be given.

Instructions
1. Student reads and signs a student declaration form.
2. Student does the test (both QPT and writing task) in a quiet, supervised and secure situation – no dictionaries or internet search allowed.
3. Agent prints out the QPT test booklet and answer sheet. All answers must go directly onto the answer sheet.
4. Agent issues the student with Part 1 for 30 minutes (questions 1 – 40).
5. Agent removes the test in 30 minutes even if the student has not finished. Do not allow the student to keep the test booklet.
6. Agent records the student’s name and start and finish time of test on answer sheet.
7. Agent marks Part 1 using the marking template. The agent should photocopy the template onto an overhead projector transparency and keep it for use each time he/she marks a test.
8. Student does Part 2 only if score for Part 1 is 35 or more. Allow a further 10 minutes for this part.
9. Agent writes score/s on answer sheet.
10. Agent chooses the correct Writing Task based on test score below: Student only does one writing task.

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<th>Score for QPT</th>
<th>Give Writing Task</th>
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<td>0 – 15</td>
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Please remove student’s smart phone.

11. Agent prints lined pages for the writing task (pages 5 & 6 of the writing test document) and issues the student with the correct topic, informing the student of the finish time.
12. After collecting the writing task, the agent completes the cover sheet.
13. Agent sends the following to REW:
   - Cover sheet
   - QPT Answer sheet – multiple choice
   - Writing task page/s.
   - Student Declaration form

REW will reply to both the agent and to the RMIT Admissions Team within 48 hours (excluding weekends and intake weeks).

Students cannot gain direct entry to RMIT VCE, Foundation studies, TAFE or University programs from the results of the QPT Placement Test. They can choose to do an IELTS or TOEFL test or undertake a minimum of 10 weeks English at REW and pass the relevant end-of-course assessment at the level required for entry to their RMIT course.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS) ABOUT THE REW QPT

1. What can I use the REW Quick Placement Test (REW QPT) for?

The REW QPT is used to decide the starting point for a student coming to study English at REW. It also determines the minimum number of weeks of ELICOS the student requires to meet the English language entry requirement for RMIT VCE, Foundation Studies, TAFE or Higher Education programs.

2. What if a student has an IELTS or TOEFL score? Can he/she do the REW QPT?

A recent IELTS or TOEFL score usually overrides any results from the REW QPT. ‘Recent’ means the IELTS or TOEFL test was done in the previous 6 months. The student may have done some further English study and have improved since the IELTS or TOEFL test results were issued. If this is the case, then the student can sit the REW placement test and the QPT score can be used.

3. Why does a recent IELTS or TOEFL score override an REW QPT result?

An IELTS or TOEFL test includes an assessment of Listening and Speaking skills. The REW Quick Placement test cannot assess these skills and so can be used only as a guide to the number of weeks needed. Experience shows us though, that even though it has its limitations, the test is still a very good indicator of a student’s English level. However, if on arrival it is apparent that the student’s language proficiency is lower than the IELTS or TOEFL score would suggest, then it is at REW’s discretion that the student is re-tested.

4. How many times can a student take the REW QPT?

Students can only do the test once in a six-month period. If this causes a problem please contact REW for advice.

5. How long is the REW QPT result valid?

It is valid for up to six months.

6. Can the REW QPT be used for entry to other institutions?

It is really only for entry to RMIT programs but William Angliss Institute of TAFE accepts REW certificates and so an REW QPT can be given to a student on a pathway to a William Angliss program.

7. What if the student recommendation from REW is for 0 weeks?

If this is the case then the student can choose either to do:

a) an IELTS or TOEFL test because the student is very close to the English level required for a full offer

b) 10 weeks English course at REW and pass all end-of-course exams for the level which needs to be achieved.

• No placement test for students on a visitor visa

Students coming to study English for 10 weeks or less on a visitor visa are not required to do a placement. However as REW does not have courses at the complete beginner level or very advanced levels, it is always a good idea to give a placement test to assess a prospective student’s language level.