

What is KLAT?

KLAT, Korean Language Ability Test, operated by Korea Educational Testing Service authorized by the Korean government (Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism) is an international test of Korean language developed to assess systematically the Korean proficiency of non-native Korean speakers by minutely considering their distinct characteristics.

KLAT Eligibility

- Anyone who speaks Korean as a second language.
- Anyone who wants his/her Korean proficiency assessed officially.
- Anyone who wants admission to Korean Universities.
- Anyone who wants a job for Korean-related companies or organizations.

Testing Methods

- PBT(Paper-Based Test): Paper-pencil test
- CBT(Computer-Based Test): Computer(Internet)-mouse test
 - which is supervised by a KLAT proctor in the designated test center.
- Depending on the circumstances of overseas test centers, only PBT or CBT may be available in some test centers.

How to Apply

- Log on to the website (www.kets.or.kr) →[KLAT Application]→[Test Application]
 - [Click to apply for KLAT]→Fill out [The application form]→Confirm your application status at [My Application] menu →Transfer your test fee to KLAT bank account →Confirm your test-fee status at [My Application] menu →Print out your application slip during the designated period.

Test Fee

- KOREA: 40,000 KRW
- CHINA: 300 CNY
- JAPAN: 4,000 to 5000 JPN
- Other Countries: 30 to 50 USD

KLAT schedule for the year 2016

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KLAT schedule for the first half of 2017

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2.5 (Sun.)	12/23(Fri.) ~ 01/15(Sun.)	PBT · CBT	PBT : Grade 1 to 6, 02/27(Mon.) CBT : Grade 1 to 4, 02/09(Thu.) Grade 5 to 6, 02/20(Mon.)	Korea & Overseas
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KLAT Structure

Test Name	Test Level	Grade	Score Range	Test Section	Questions	Perfect Score	Time (minutes)	Learning Hours
B-KLAT	Introductory	Grade1	92~139	Listening Reading	25	100	35	For 150 to 200 hours
		Grade2	140~200		25	100	45	
Total					50 Questions	200 Scores	80 Minutes	
KLAT	Elementary	Grade1	80~139	Listening Voca.&Grammar Reading	30	90	45	For less than 400 hours
		Grade2	140~200		25	50	30	
					20	60	35	
Total					75 Questions	200 Scores	110 Minutes	
KLAT	Intermediate	Grade3	80~139	Listening Voca.&Grammar Reading	20	60	45	For 400 to 800 hours
		Grade4	140~200		25	50	30	
					30	90	45	
Total					75 Questions	200 Scores	120 Minutes	
KLAT	Advanced	Grade5	150~239	Listening Reading Writing	30	100	60	For more than 800 hours
		Grade6	240~300		30	100	60	
					3	100	45	
Total					63 Questions	300 Scores	165 Minutes	Excluding 10-minute break

Criteria of KLAT grades

Test Name	Test Level	Grade	Score Range	Description of KLAT grades	CEFR Scale
KLAT	Elementary	Grade1	80~139 (200)	The KLAT Grade 1 holder with the proficiency of basic grammar and short sentences may respond routinely to the limited and familiar situations of daily life and understand the simple sentences of daily and practical life.(Ex. introducing him/herself and his/her family, ordering the food, making an appointment, reading the sentences of daily and practical life, etc.)	A1 ; Breakthrough
		Grade2	140~200 (200)	The KLAT Grade 2 holder may have a basic communication in daily life and cope linguistically with the problem occurring in the predictable situations of daily life. (Ex. telephoning, inviting, suggesting, comparing, asking, apologizing, telling the experience of last weekend or past journey, seeing a doctor, etc.	A2 ; Waystage
KLAT	Intermediate	Grade3	80~139 (200)	The KLAT Grade 3 holder without a great problem with its daily life may generally understand and speak daily-used linguistic expressions and comprehend the social contents such as simple and brief articles of newspaper, news, magazine, etc.	B1 ; Threshold
		Grade4	140~200 (200)	The KLAT Grade 4 holder may understand and make use of various expressions of Korean language in his/her daily life or at the company without a great problem. The holder with the general comprehension of the expert-level contents may be able to study his/her major in a specific field.	B2 ; Vantage
KLAT	Advanced	Grade5	150~239 (300)	The KLAT Grade 5 holder may not only express his/her opinion clearly or persuade an opponent by using suitable and various expressions of Korean language in various complex situations but also do the high-level Korean activities based on the comprehension of Korean culture and society.	C1 ; Effective Operational Proficiency
		Grade6	240~300 (300)	The KLAT Grade 6 holder with the Korean proficiency of a native speaker may not only communicate naturally and fluently but also have a command of Korean language in his/her field of study/work and in various complex situations.	C2 ; Mastery

For the second half of 2016 and the first half of 2017

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❖ **For more information**

◦ KETS (Korea Educational Testing Service)

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