

**British Council  
Partner Schools**

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**Instructions to Candidates  
May/June 2026 Session  
OxfordAQA**

**English as a Second Language  
(Listening)  
9280 / L**



## Exam Timetable

Examination	Date
ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LISTENING 9280/L	Wednesday, April 29, 2026

The exam will start at **10:00 AM**.

- Candidates should arrive at their examination venue **no later than 09:00 AM**.
- Candidates who arrive at the venue later than 09:30 AM will not be permitted to attend the examinations.

Please note that candidates are allowed to leave with the school Representative/ Coordinator **ONLY** after the exam.

## Important reminder

- You must not have in your possession any unauthorized material, including electronic devices and mobile phones.
- You must not have in your possession any unauthorized equipment which might give you an unfair advantage.
- Possession of unauthorized material is breaking the rules, even if you do not decide to use it. If found in possession of unauthorized material you will be subject to a penalty and possible disqualification.

## PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING WITH YOU:

- Original Statement of Entry with the candidate's picture stamped by the school and laminated.
- Transparent pencil case.
- Your writing materials, geometrical instruments, and simple calculators.
- A small Transparent bottle of mineral water.

## REQUIREMENTS FROM THE SCHOOL:

- Listening Equipment to be sent to the exam venue (**At least 3 days before the scheduled exam time**)
- Please make sure that Laptops & Speakers are fully charged.
- Charger/s & Cable/s of your equipment must be sent to the venue as well.

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Please read the following instructions **VERY CAREFULLY**.

**1. Exam Day Instructions:**

- Candidates are to proceed to the waiting area – maintaining social distancing from one candidate to another.
- Candidates must make sure they take all their belongings with them when they leave the exam room. Anything left behind after the exam (such as a pencil case), these items may be destroyed for hygiene reasons.

**2. Listening Exams Instructions:**

- Please make sure that you are fully aware of your examination venue (place) and exam start time.
- Candidates should arrive at their examination venue no later than 09:00 AM.
- Candidates who arrive at the venue later than 09:30 AM will not be permitted to attend the examinations.
- Please note that your individual final Statement of Entry and your timetable are the documents you should have and follow for examination dates & timing.
- No mobile phones MP3 players, bags, personal radios, or any electronic devices are allowed into the examination hall or at laboratories during practical examinations; candidates may be disqualified from the examination session if they do not abide by this rule.
- Students arriving to the examination venue **not in school uniform will not be permitted** to sit for the examination under any circumstances.
- Candidates with clashes on their timetable should check daily the noticeboard for further instructions concerning clashes for each specific examination; all instructions will be clearly displayed on the examination's noticeboard.
- Candidates are not allowed to take any confidential materials from the examination room;
- The British Council is not responsible for handbags and valuables left unattended.
- Parents are not allowed on premises during the examinations.

## Online Survey

We are always keen to listen to you and look into ways to deliver excellence to our students and school partners. Therefore, we would appreciate you taking the time to complete the below survey and provide us with your experience with OxfordAQA English Listening Exam.

Your response is very important to us and will help us improve our service levels and assist us in providing a better customer journey experience all the way.

Candidates can either use this [LINK](#) or scan the QR to access our survey.

### How to Scan a QR Code?

1- Open the QR Code reader on your phone.

2- Hold your device over a QR Code so that it is visible within your smartphone screen; then the phone automatically scans the code and will direct you to the survey.



## DISCLAIMER

The British Council and the examining boards take all reasonable steps to provide continuity of service. We feel sure you will understand, however, that we cannot be held responsible for any interruptions caused by circumstances beyond our control. If examinations or their results are disrupted, cancelled, or delayed, every effort will be made to resume normal service as soon as possible.

The candidate will be under the examination board's regulations, once s/he arrives at the examination venue, in terms of late arrival, malpractice, etc.

The British Council's liability will be limited to the refund of the registration fee or retesting later.