



UNIVERSITY of CAMBRIDGE

ESOL Examinations

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Level 3 Certificate in English (ESOL)*

This is to certify that

JANA ZAHRAŇOVÁ

has been awarded

Grade C

in the

Certificate of Proficiency in English

Council of Europe Level C2

Date of Examination **JUNE 2004**

Place of Entry **PRAGUE**

Reference Number **046CZ0018033**

Accreditation Number **100/2034/2**

This level refers to the UK National Qualifications Framework

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CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH (CPE)

University of Cambridge ESOL (part of UCLES) provides examinations in English for speakers of other languages.

CPE is a general proficiency examination at Level C2 in the Council of Europe Common European Framework. It is at Level 3 in the UK National Qualifications Framework, as specified by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority (QCA).

CPE is recognised as fulfilling English language entry requirements by many higher education institutions and corporate bodies across the world.

The examination has five papers: Reading, Writing, Use of English, Listening, Speaking.
Performance in CPE is indicated as follows:

- Grade A (Very good)
- Grade B (Good)
- Grade C (Pass)

Successful performance in CPE indicates an advanced level of competence in English. Successful candidates can deal with material which is cognitively demanding and use language to good effect.

The Association of Language Testers in Europe (ALTE) has developed a framework which covers six levels of language proficiency aligned to the Council of Europe Common European Framework. Research carried out by ALTE has shown what language learners can typically do at each level.

The table below gives some examples at CPE level of typical general ability plus ability in each of the skill areas and in a range of contexts.

Typical abilities	Listening and Speaking	Reading and Writing
Overall general ability	CAN advise on or talk about complex or sensitive issues, understanding colloquial references and dealing confidently with difficult questions.	CAN understand various documents, including the finer points of complex texts, and CAN write letters and meeting notes with good expression and accuracy.
Social & Tourist	CAN understand detailed, complex discussions (for example in a radio interview). CAN talk about complex or sensitive issues without awkwardness.	CAN understand complex opinions/arguments as expressed in serious newspapers. CAN write letters on any subject with good expression and accuracy.
Work	CAN handle complex, delicate or contentious issues. CAN argue effectively for or against a case, and has sufficient language to be able to talk about/discuss most aspects of her/his work.	CAN understand reports and most articles including complex ideas expressed in complex language. CAN write quite lengthy reports with only the occasional, minor error, and without taking much longer than a native speaker.
Study	CAN understand colloquial asides and cultural allusions. CAN follow abstract argumentation, for example the balancing of alternatives and the drawing of a conclusion.	CAN access all sources of information quickly and reliably. CAN make accurate and complete notes during the course of a lecture, seminar or tutorial.

Any alteration to this certificate renders it invalid and use of an altered certificate could constitute a criminal offence.

If there is any doubt about the details recorded on the certificate, contact the local Cambridge ESOL centre for advice on verification procedures.

A † symbol next to the candidate's grade indicates that the candidate was exempt from satisfying the full range of assessment objectives in the examination.