

# CHINESE PROFICIENCY TEST UK COMMITTEE

## 英国汉语考试委员会

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### Notice on Additional HSK, HSKK, YCT, YCT Oral and BCT Online Chinese Test (Home Edition) in 2024

The series of Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi (HSK), or Chinese Proficiency Test, is a test program organized and conducted worldwide by the Center for Language Education and Cooperation. It is a standardized Chinese proficiency test designed for non-native speakers, providing certification of various levels of proficiency to Chinese learners. Due to the pandemic, in April 2020 the Internet-Based Test (Home Edition), hereinafter referred to as IBT (Home Edition), was made available to take online, allowing students to participate in the test according to their demands on time, facilitating their preparedness for study abroad, graduation and application for job, accommodating other demands on their time. To further meet the needs of Chinese learners to take HSK (paper and oral examination), YCT (paper and oral examination), BCT and other Chinese tests during the epidemic, it has been decided to release one testing date of IBT (Home Edition) for foreign countries on the first half of the 2024: May 25<sup>th</sup>. The essential information regarding the online test is as follows:

**Test Level:** HSK1-6, HSKK (Basic/Intermediate/Advanced), YCT1-4,  
YCT Oral (Primary/Intermediate), BCT(A/B)

**Exam Dates:**

Test category (online test at home)	Test date	Registration deadline (UK time)
HSK HSKK YCT YCT Oral BCT	May 25	May 8

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**Exam Time:**            **UK Time :**  
                              **HSK2, 4, 6 start @ 09:00**  
                              **HSK1, 3, 5 start @ 13:30**  
                              **YCT start @ 09:00**  
                              **HSKK Basic start @ 15:40**  
                              **HSKK Intermediate start @ 11:25**  
                              **HSKK Advanced start @ 16:30**

### **Application requirements:**

1. Access to a computer with up-to-date software and internet access.
2. Access to a room that meets home exam requirements.
3. Adherence to Chinese Proficiency Test rules.
4. Register and obtain an admission ticket for one of the above test dates.

### **Registration:**

Equipment and test environment must meet the requirements:

Before registering for the exam, please confirm that your computer, software configuration, network and room meet exam requirements:

**Computer:** Windows (7/10/11) operating system.

Screen resolution should be 1366\*768 or above.

**Mac system cannot be used.**

**Mobile devices are not supported.**

**Browser:** Google Chrome (version 66.0 and above).

**Network:** Network bandwidth should be 20M and speed 150KB/s or above.

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### **Camera:**

1. HD (more than 300,000 pixels). The room should also be well-lit and the camera unobstructed.
2. HSK and HSKK candidates need to prepare another mobile with Zoom meeting apps for test supervising. (No need for YCT candidates)

Join Zoom meeting room (ID will be released later) 45 minutes before the test time, locate your phone at your rear left or right at 1 meter distance to allow us can see you and your screen.

- (1) Test supervisor / Proctor will check your documents via Zoom
- (2) Please change the mode of the phone to Flight but with a WIFI signal
- (3) Please keep the phone at enough power to avoid switching off

**Wired Headphones:** clear with good sound insulation. The test itself cannot be conducted on mobile devices such as mobile phones, tablets, etc., Bluetooth devices, and external USB storage devices, such as USB drives and wireless receivers, are not allowed during the test.

**Examination environment:** The exam should be taken in a closed room where no one will disturb you. It is forbidden to take the exam in public areas such as parks, internet cafes, restaurants, etc. Computers and keyboards must be placed on a desk or table. No one else is allowed to enter or leave the room during the exam. There must not be any prohibited items in the exam room. The test result shall be rendered invalid if the test taker is seen to violate any of these regulations.

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**HSK and HSK Oral Test:** Test takers are required to take both HSK and HSK Oral Test. The corresponding level is as follow:

HSK level 3 corresponds to primary oral test

HSK level 4 corresponds to intermediate oral test

HSK level 5 and 6 correspond to advanced oral test

**Cross-border registration** is seen as a violation. Test takers must confirm to be in the local country when taking an IBT(At Home) on the day of the test. Once cross-border registration is found, the test result shall be rendered invalid.

**Before registration, please ensure you are able to meet all the above requirements. The test fee will not be refunded if the test environment, test equipment, or other conditions are found to violate the requirements.**

Please note:

1. Paper cannot be used during the Online Chinese Test (Home Edition). Copying and recording any part of the exam with electronic equipment is also prohibited.
2. The test center may need to collect test-related information from you, including name, photo, ID, audio and video records taken during the exam. We will only use personal information permitted by law, for purposes such as maintaining exam security.

### **Registration procedure**

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1. Please visit [www.chinesetest.cn](http://www.chinesetest.cn) to register, please choose the test centre as Chinese Proficiency Test UK Committee or China HSK UK Committee. We will send you the confirmation email within 24 hours and let you know how to pay for that.
2. Test fees: Starting from January 1, 2022, the following adjustments will be made to the service fees of the online test:
  - 1) The service fee for the HSK, HSK oral test, YCT, BCT and other online tests will **increase by 30% from the local regular Chinese test service fee.**
  - 2) Preferential treatment will be given to test centers where HSK level 3-6 and oral test are combined to administer the online test: the service fee for the combined level test will be administered as the original written test + oral test service fee, and the service fee will not increase.
3. **HSK 1-6 & HSKK candidates** need to submit one passport-size photo; **YCT 1-4** candidates do not need to submit photos.
4. Test form: The test takers should log in to the client-side terminal of the online test system through their personal computer. Test invigilators of the test centers that the test takers register at will conduct remote real-time invigilation throughout the test.

### **The test day**

1. Admission time:  
You can log in to the system up to 45 minutes before the exam starts. Please log in no later than 10 minutes before the start time. Personal, equipment or network issues leading to lateness will not qualify as

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extenuating circumstances.

2. Login to the examination system:

Download link: (to be shared in due course).

3. Equipment and environment testing:

1) Camera

2) Headphones

3) Network

Please Note:

Candidates who are judged to be unqualified on the test day cannot take the test. Candidates are required to turn off mobile phones, MP3s, etc. and have no access to any prohibited items during the exam. For all emergencies caused by the test organizer, such as when encountering a web page technical problem, students can use their mobile phone or email to contact the test supervisor.

4) Read and agree on the exam rules.

5) Enter the exam by typing in the admission ticket number and password, a countdown will begin.

### **During the exam**

1. Exam discipline

All listed regulations on "Administrative Measures on Violation of HSK Chinese Examination Regulations" are applicable to the Online Chinese Test (Home Edition), Hanban Test Headquarters and test centres maintain rights of accountability after the test

2. Missing the exam

If the candidate fails to take or complete the exam on the test day due

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to reasons not caused by the test organiser, the responsibility shall be borne by the candidate. The test fee will not be refunded.

### **Exam results**

1. Test takers can use the admission ticket number and name to log in at [www.chinesetest.cn](http://www.chinesetest.cn) to inquire about the test result (after 10 working days for the HSK and YCT; after 20 working days for the HSKK, postponed in case of holidays).
2. An electronic score report will be available on the test website ([www.chinesetest.cn](http://www.chinesetest.cn)).
3. Test takers can also apply for a printed result report to be mailed to them or their institutions using the Extra Score Report service.