



PORTUGUESE OFFICIAL EXAM

CAPLE

The Complete Guide





WHAT IS CAPLE?

CAPLE (Centre for Evaluation of Portuguese as a Foreign Language) is a certificate of proficiency in Standard European Portuguese as a second language. The CAPLE exam assesses your abilities in all four skills – listening, reading, writing and speaking.

WHO?

Non-native speakers
 - be at least 14 years of age
 - be a national of a country where Portuguese is not an official language.

WHERE?

- Lisbon (University of Lisbon)
 - Official centres around the world.

WHEN?

Three international exam seasons: May, July and November.

February, March, August, September, and October in Lisbon only.

WHY?

Recognized around the world by thousands of employers, universities (required for entry) and government ministries (A2 required for nationality) as proof of ability to use Portuguese.

List of centres and next sessions: <http://caple.lettras.ulisboa.pt/>



WHAT DO CAPLE EXAMS LOOK LIKE?

The exams consist of a written and oral part. The grade of the test is combined out of the following four parts.

- Reading Comprehension
- Listening Comprehension
- Written Expression
- Speaking



The test structure and time varies across the different types of exams you can take.

Higher level exams, such as C1 and C2, take approx. four hours, but lower levels can be completed in less than two.



On the official website you will find specific information about each exam: <http://caple.lettras.ulisboa.pt/>



CAPLE EXAM LEVELS

There are six diplomas of Portuguese as a Foreign Language, each of them representing a different level of proficiency:

ACESSO (LEVEL A1)

Certificado Acesso ao Português

It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a very limited range of everyday communicative situations and satisfying the most basic needs of communication in private, public and professional domains.

Price: 40€ | Duration: 1h15/1h20

CIPLE (LEVEL A2)

Certificado Inicial de Português Língua Estrangeira

It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a limited range of everyday communicative situations. In the professional and academic domains, the users are capable of interacting in situations that require a limited level of proficiency in Portuguese.

Price: 70€ | Duration: 1h55/2h00

DEPLE (LEVEL B1)

Certificado Elementar de Português Língua Estrangeira

It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a limited range of predictable everyday communicative situations in private, professional, and educational contexts

Price: 90€ | Duration: 2h30



CAPLE EXAM LEVELS

There are six diplomas of Portuguese as a Foreign Language, each of them representing a different level of proficiency:

DIPLE (LEVEL B2)

Certificado Intermédio de Português Língua Estrangeira

It certifies that the learner is capable of interacting in a number of everyday work and study communicative situations that require mostly a predictable use of the language. This level allows the speaker to work in contexts where Portuguese is the language of work. In the context where Portuguese is simultaneously the language of work and the language of communication the speaker may still experience many difficulties. A certified DIPLE speaker may attend academic courses in contexts where Portuguese is the language of teaching.

Price: 110€ | Duration: 3h30

DAPLE (LEVEL C1)

Certificado Avançado de Português Língua Estrangeira

It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a varied range of less predictable communicative situations in contexts where, for example, Portuguese is simultaneously the language of everyday communication, the language used at work and the language used in teaching. Some difficulties may still occur when the language is used idiomatically or contains cultural references.

Price: 125€ | Duration: 4h

DUPLE (LEVEL C2)

Certificado Universitário de Português Língua Estrangeira

It certifies that the learner is capable of using the language in a creative and flexible way, adequately interacting in both predictable and unpredictable situations, namely in contexts where Portuguese is both the language of communication and the language used at work and education. The learner is capable of, for example, attending a university course in Portuguese or working in a country where Portuguese is the official language.

Price: 140€ | Duration: 4h45



HOW TO PREPARE FOR A CAPLE EXAM?

We are sure that any course you do with us will improve your Portuguese but our Individual Classes are perfect if you want to excel in your exams!

Our school has plenty of experience in preparing students for official exams. Our Individual Classes will provide you with the best opportunity to prepare for a CAPLE certification. You will use some of the official practice material and have a private teacher to help you improving your skills.

We also use specific test preparation workbooks and additional material to get sure you will be ready for the big day!



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