

# ΔΙΔΑΣΚΑΛΕΙΟ ΝΕΑΣ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗΣ ΓΛΩΣΣΑΣ

# Δ Ε Ι Γ Μ Α ΕΞΕΤΑΣΗΣ ΕΛΛΗΝΟΜΑΘΕΙΑΣ

## **CERTIFICATE IN GREEK LANGUAGE**

"The B2 Certificate in Greek Language" is the official certificate of Modern Greek as an additional (second or foreign) language which is issued by the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens to adult foreigners.

## **EXAMINATION FOR THE CERITIFICATE IN GREEK LANGUAGE**

"The B2 Certificate in Greek Language" is a test of all areas of language ability<sup>1</sup>. It has been developed on the basis of criteria determined by the Council of Europe in the "Common European Framework of Reference for Languages".

The examination takes place twice a year (May and September). The speaking test takes place on a separate day from the written examination, whilst the listening test takes place on the same day as the written exam.

## Oral examination

The speaking test is done individually, face to face with two examiners, and takes place in three stages:

## Preparation

The candidate is given a page with images/ photographs and questions regarding a particular topic<sup>2</sup> in order to prepare for the Part 2 of the exam.

#### Part 1

This part is a short conversation with the examiners. The examiners will ask the candidates a series of basic personal questions about their lives, focusing on areas such as education, work, leisure activities, and plans.

Candidates are expected to respond briefly to the examiners' questions giving basic personal information about themselves and using general social and interactional language.

# Part 2

The candidate is called on to converse with the examiners on the given topic using the images/ photographs and answering the questions.

**Duration of examination: 20 minutes per candidate.** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to table «ΔΟΜΗ & ΠΕΡΙΓΡΑΦΗ ΕΞΕΤΑΣΗΣ» ("STRUCTURE & DESCRIPTION OF EXAMINATION"): go to link  $\Delta ομή-Περιγραφή-Δείγμα Εξέτασης Ελληνομάθειας.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer to the sample of the speaking test «ΔΕΙΓΜΑ ΕΞΕΤΑΣΗΣ ΕΛΛΗΝΟΜΑΘΕΙΑΣ, ΠΑΡΑΓΩΓΗ ΠΡΟΦΟΡΙΚΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ»: go to link Δομή-Περιγραφή-Δείγμα Εξέτασης Ελληνομάθειας.

# > Written examination

On the day of the written examination candidates are given an exam paper divided into sections in which, with order of appearance, the following are tested:

- listening
- grammar
- reading
- writing

**Duration of examination: 3 hours and 30 minutes.** 

# Scoring

The candidates' overall score is averaged from the individual scores for each skill (reading, writing, listening and speaking) and for the grammar.

In order to succeed in the examination and receive the "B2 Certificate in Greek Language" the candidates should achieve a minimum overall score of 50 out of 100 and a minimum score of 10 out of 20 in each skill (reading, writing, listening and speaking) and the grammar.

## Note:

Especially as far as the skill of writing is concerned an extra minimum score is required: In none of the two pieces of writing should the candidates obtain a score less than 4 out of 10.