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Citizenship test

Question

The citizenship test is currently in English. What level of English is required to do the test? What IELTS equivalent?

Was this discussed in the context of AMEP?

Answer

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection has provided the following response.

At present, only a 'basic' knowledge of English is required to do the citizenship test.

The current citizenship test was introduced in 2007, whilst the AMEP was part of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.