Video 1 transcript: "IELTS General and Academic: 3 questions"

Hello and welcome to this introduction to the IELTS test!

In a few short video sessions, I will give you an overview over the test structure and the scoring criteria. So, when you start preparing for the test you will have an idea of what to expect and what to focus on.

The IELTS test comes in two flavors: **academic** and **general**, so, we want to ask ourselves this question:

Which one should I choose to meet my objectives?

We also want to know:

What is the difference between the two tests? Is one more difficult than the other?

To answer this one right away: Both tests have the same level of graded difficulty. They will test all four skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking.

... and if I decide to sit down and study hard for this test, I also want to know **what score** I need to reach my study or work goal.

I will try to answer these questions in the following videos.

I hope you enjoyed this video. Bye for now and see you in the next one!

## A word about myself:

My name is Tom Brockmann, and I have been working as General and Business English trainer all over the world for half of my life. At present I'm based in Rome, Italy - where I'm collaborating with major companies, language schools and universities.

I have been training IELTS candidates from all walks of life for the last decade and I would like to share my experience with you.