

Young Learners 2018 update - What's new?

These are the main changes to Cambridge English: Starters, Movers and Flyers from January 2018:

Starters



Paper	Part	What's been updated?
Listening	Part 1	Instead of placing objects on the picture, children will need to match names to people. This is now the same task as <i>Movers</i> and <i>Flyers</i> Part 1.
Reading and Writing	Part 1	Now has both plural and singular nouns.
Reading and Writing	Part 4	This is now a semi-factual text instead of a riddle.
Speaking	Part 1	The test is now made up of four tasks. This new part combines the content from the old Part 1 and 2.
Speaking	Part 1	The examiner will now ask the child their name.
Speaking	Part 1	An additional question has been added. Children now need to talk about the picture, rather than point (for example 'Tell me about...').
Wordlist		466 ▷ 497

Movers



Paper	Part	What's been updated?
Listening	Part 3	Instead of matching days of the week to actions, children will match a list of illustrated words or names with a set of pictures. This is now the same task as <i>Flyers</i> Part 3.
Listening	Part 5	Children will no longer be asked to draw as part of this question, they will now write a word.
Reading and Writing	All parts	Across all six parts there are now 35 questions instead of 40, and some tasks have changed position.
Reading and Writing	Part 1	There are now only 5 questions instead of six.
Reading and Writing	Part 3 (old Part 4)	There are now only six questions, instead of seven.
Reading and Writing	Part 5	There are now only seven questions, instead of ten.
Reading and Writing	Part 6	This is a new writing task, replacing the old Part 2 task.
Speaking	Part 1	The examiner will now ask the child their name and age.
Speaking	Part 2	The story now has a title and the characters have been given names to provide appropriate context and support.
Wordlist		358 ▷ 401

Flyers



Paper	Part	What's been updated?
Listening	Part 5	Children will no longer be asked to draw as part of this question, they will now write a word.
Reading and Writing	All parts	Across all seven parts, there are now 44 questions instead of 50, and some tasks have changed position.
Reading and Writing	Part 3 (old Part 4)	The word options children are asked to select from are now placed before the text.
Reading and Writing	Part 7	This is a new writing task, replacing the old Part 2 task.
Speaking	Part 1	The examiner will now ask the child their name, age and family name.
Speaking	Part 3	The story now has a title and the characters have been given names to provide appropriate context and support.
Wordlist		471 ▷ 513