

Can I prepare for the placement test?

In general, **last-minute learning is not useful**, as such short-term measures do not sustainably accelerate language learning. The aim is not to achieve the best possible result, but to determine a course level appropriate to your language skills. In order to ensure the best possible learning outcome, the correct level of competence must be determined.

Nevertheless, in some cases it may indeed be useful to **refresh your existing language skills before the placement test**. For example, this avoids that learners whose knowledge is merely buried will find out after a few weeks that they are at the wrong course level.

As a rule, many of the placement tests are in C-test format, a special form of gap test. You can try out a **demo version of the C-test on Moodle** under the course "ZFA C-Test Demo". Background information and sample texts from C-Tests can be found here:

<http://www.c-test.de/deutsch/index.php?lang=de&content=beispiele§ion=ctest>