30.11.2016 Cambridge English: Advanced Exam - Wifi Salzburg

This year, just like the prior eighth form one year ago, we had the opportunity to take part in the Cambridge English: Advanced examinations (at fewer costs). Professor Helml was willing to help us and offer well-structured preparation lessons, which usually took place in the late afternoons or sometimes, even on Saturday mornings.

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The exam consists of a listening, reading, speaking, writing and use of English part. The listening and speaking tasks are quite different from what we are used to from the English lessons at school and the standardised Matura, whereas the reading, language in use and writing tasks (including a compulsory essay and an additional type of text) are comparable. However, it was not too hard to manage with the right preparation – and we had been lucky enough to have that.

Retrospectively, the exam was a great, useful experience. It was not only beneficial for our English skills, moreover, we have received a certificate that can't be taken from us from now on, that undeniably proves our capabilities (at level C1 and for eleven candidates even at level C2) and that can (and will) affect our future working life positively. So in a nutshell, we can only recommend taking the exam to anyone who has ambitions as to improving their English and wishes to have valid proof for their efforts. \odot

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