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CASE STUDY:
**OET NURSING
RESULTS**

2020

SLC achieves overall 77% pass rate for OET Nursing after 2 attempts.

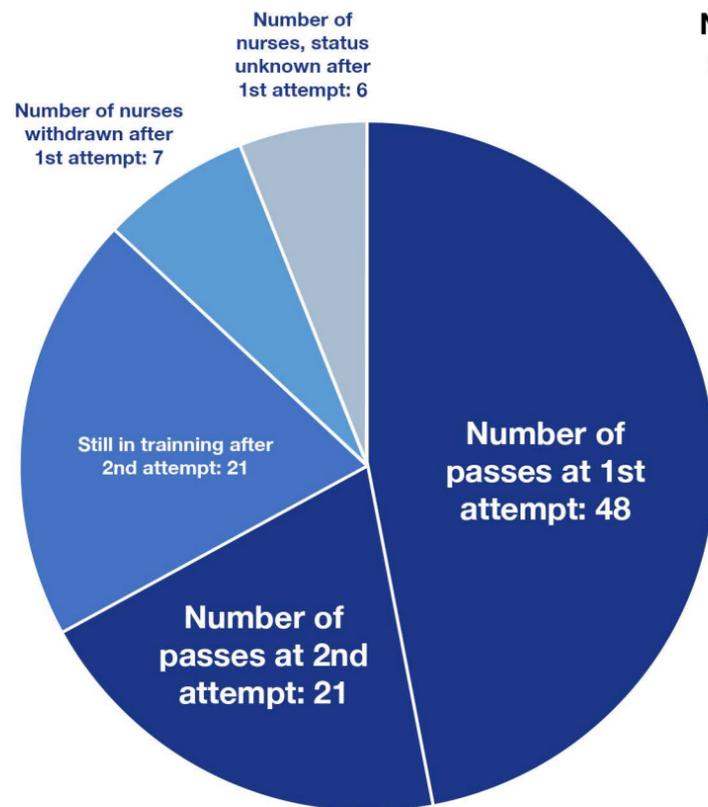
The following statistics are confirmed OET results for nurses undertaking employer-funded OET preparation training from 1st August 2018 to 31st July 2019.

While the training took a variety of forms in terms of starting level, hours of allocated tuition, and course duration, the following data is from those nurses whose courses followed the recommended SLC criteria:

1. 20 to 150 hours of group tuition in online classrooms
2. 6 to 10 hours a week of training
3. Course duration of 3 to 6 months
4. Starting English level of a 'mid-B2' or OET C grade in the 4 skills – Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking

Overall results

A 'pass' is the score required by the NMC for registration, i.e. a Grade B in each of the OET papers – Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking.



Overall pass rate in 2 attempts, discounting withdrawn and unknown: 69 out of 90, or 77%

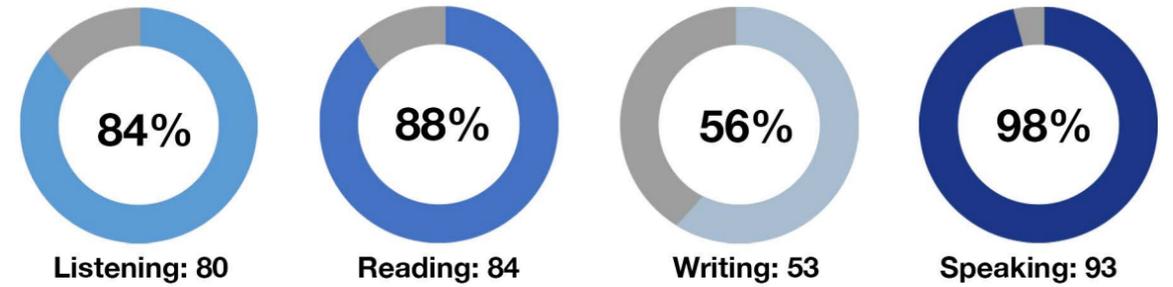
Notes

- Candidates were based at NHS Trusts or Health Boards and taught together with a maximum 10 per group.
- Online classrooms were used to bring specialist OET teachers to nurses wherever they may be.
- Entry English language level was measured either by candidates taking the SLC OET Placement Test or by a previous standardised test score, such as OET or IELTS.

Paper by paper analysis

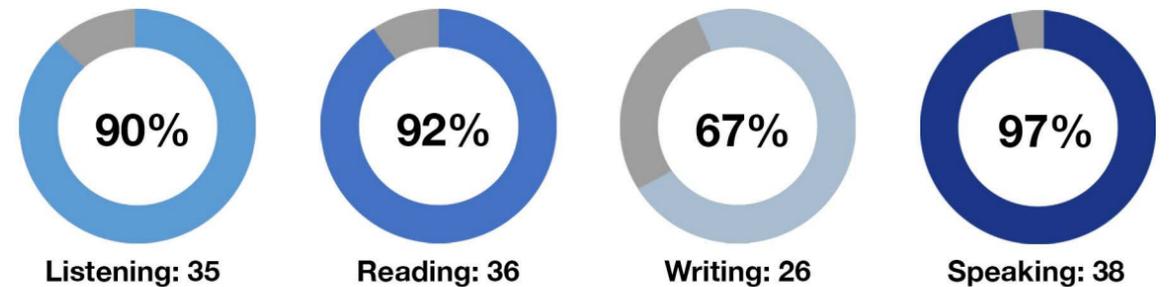
1st attempt passes out 95

We have paper-by-paper results for 95 from 103 1st attempts.



2nd attempt passes out of 42

We have paper-by-paper results for 39 from 42 2nd attempts.



The numbers clearly show that the Writing paper is the key challenge for nurses to overcome.

In 2019, we re-shaped our OET preparation courses to respond, adding input on practice on writing techniques, strategies, criteria and test question analysis. Early results have been very positive but not enough to build an independent data set yet.





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For more information

To get more detail on these statistics and to learn more about employer-funded OET preparation programmes for nurses, please contact Peter Rodway on peter@specialistlanguagecourses.com or 07722 300278.



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