

USCIS Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19)



U.S. Citizenship
and Immigration
Services

[Home](#) > [Citizenship Resource Center](#) > [Learn About Citizenship](#) > The Naturalization Interview and Test

The Naturalization Interview and Test

Important Updates Regarding the 2020 Version of the Civics Test

Beginning on April 19, 2021, USCIS is administering only the [2008 civics test](#) to N-400 applicants at their initial interview appointment, regardless of their filing date. USCIS will no longer offer the 2020 civics test at the initial interview, but will continue to provide study materials for the [2020 test](#) for those applicants who are eligible to choose between the 2008 or 2020 civics test at their re-exam or N-336 hearing.

For more information about the 2020 civics test, visit [The 2020 Version of the Civics Test page](#).

The Naturalization Interview and Test



Due to [COVID-19](#), current interview settings will be different from what is being shown in this video in order to provide additional safety measures.

During your naturalization interview, a USCIS officer will ask you questions about your application and background. Unless you qualify for an [exemption](#), you will also take a naturalization test which is made up of two components, an English and civics test.

- During the English test, you must demonstrate an understanding of the English language including the ability to read, write, and speak basic English.
- During the civics test, you will answer important questions about American government and history.

See below to learn more about the naturalization test and the free study materials and resources available to help you prepare.

 Close All  Open All

English Test



Civics Test



Exceptions from English and Civics Requirements



If You Don't Pass



Applicant Performance on the 2008 Naturalization Test



Additional Resources



 Close All  Open All

Last Reviewed/Updated: 06/23/2021

