

ENGLISH FOR EXAMINATIONS

Our **ONE-TO-ONE ENGLISH FOR EXAMINATIONS IMMERSION COURSE** will appeal to those who wish to improve their English for examinations, such as the respected Cambridge English, IELTS or TOEFL examinations. These exams are recognised by employers, colleges and universities all over the world. The examinations, all of which test the four language skills of Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing, and can be taken at various centres worldwide at specific times during the year.

The IELTS test is described as 'the high-stakes English test for study, migration or work' by the organisers. It may be taken as a General or Academic test depending on one's objectives. The Academic test is appropriate for those non-native English speakers who wish to study for a post graduate qualification at university and is the standard for entrance purposes. The TOEFL and Cambridge English are similarly described by their organisers as essential for entrance to academic institutions and for work purposes.

We will prepare you for your examination and assist you with all components - Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. Our tutors have a wealth of experience in presenting courses for IELTS, TOEFL and Cambridge exams.

Remember our courses are One-to-One and you are the only student. Only in this way can you be guaranteed a course that meets your needs and expectations. We can say without contradiction that an English language immersion course is the ideal way to prepare for the Speaking component of the test. Our tutors have experience of being examiners for

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various organisations and are ideal tutors for your course. You will benefit from their long experience and advice which will help reduce stress levels to the absolute minimum.

While we do not generally make boasts about our courses - humility plays a large part - we can claim that all our IELTS, TOEFL and Cambridge exam students have greatly improved their exam performance to allow entrance to university, progression with post graduate degrees such as Masters and Doctorates and teaching careers within the academic world. In addition, we have successfully prepared many students for advancement within their professions outside academia.

As with all our courses, your specific needs will be identified and prioritised in the first lesson and the course will be designed to meet these needs. Our one-to-one method allows for continuous monitoring of progress and meeting evolving language needs so you can rest assured that your teacher will be flexible to ensure your course is relevant to your needs.

Obviously, your course will focus on those areas in which you need to improve, especially speaking and listening and of course good exam technique. In addition, vocabulary development, good understanding and implementation of the rules of Grammar and Use of English, Reading comprehension and Writing are covered. Correct preparation for exams is essential and many of our students benefit from excellent preparation for specific areas such as speaking and listening, which are difficult to practise without the assistance of a good teacher. You can decide with the advice of your teacher on those specific areas on which you need to concentrate.

We appreciate that your time is limited and you have very specific requirements. For this reason a one-to-one English for Examinations immersion course with a qualified and experienced teacher is the ideal solution ensuring that your specific language needs are met in an efficient but thoroughly enjoyable manner. As your course is delivered by your teacher in the teacher's home this means that no time is lost travelling to and from your course. Lessons are relevant to your particular examination, personalised and centred on you and your needs - with you and only you in mind!

Your teacher will carefully discuss your needs with you in the first lesson and design your course based on these needs, and of course your wishes! You are encouraged to bring relevant materials with you and these can be useful in designing your course. Your continuing language needs are constantly monitored and the course focus can be altered at any time to take these evolving needs into account. Flexibility is important and of course more easily practised in the context of a one-to-one course!

In this way we can offer an individually designed course that is relevant to your specific examination needs. After all, we know your time is limited and you want to study those areas that are identified as relevant to you!

DOCUMENTATION: We negotiate a *Needs Analysis and Course Plan* with you prior to course commencement, conduct an *Assessment* of English level, complete daily *Lesson Sheets* which contains details of the lesson topics and aims for reference, provide a *Certificate of Attendance* signed by our Course Director at course conclusion. Copies of all documents are

provided to you so that you have a record of your course from start to finish.

You are very welcome to remain in contact with us following course conclusion regarding any matter and we will endeavour to assist you in any way we can. We ask you to let us have your opinion after your course has finished.

ENGLISH LEVEL REQUIRED: This course is suitable for all students from a good intermediate to those with a more advanced standard.

FREQUENCY: Courses commence every week from January to December (excluding Christmas).

TUTORS: Our tutors for this course are qualified English language teachers with recognized qualifications to teach at this level.

NOTE: We strongly recommend that you choose sufficient hours to allow for some testing especially for Cambridge and IELTS. We offer a special 30 hours per week course that allows for teaching and appropriate testing for a complete preparation course.

COST: from €1150 for one week. Full board and accommodation for dates selected. The cost of our recommended programme for 30 hours per week is €1750. 10% discount applicable for immersion courses of 3 weeks or more calculated on third and subsequent weeks.