

➤ COURSE CONTENTS: IELTS

UKhelp4U Academy of English Language prepare you for your examination

We offer two ways of preparing for IELTS:

- An intensive **twelve-week preparation course**. This course takes place 3 times per year.
- An IELTS Combination Course. Many people choose to take this as part of General English course.
- This course is designed to prepare candidates for the Cambridge **IELTS (International English Language Testing System)** examination. IELTS is recognised as an entrance requirement by British, Australian, New Zealand and Canadian universities and for secondary, vocational and training programmes.

IELTS is available in two formats – Academic and General Training. This course prepares students for the **Academic Training Modules**, which assess whether a candidate is ready to study or train at an undergraduate or postgraduate level.

Benefits of doing this course

By the end of this course, learners will be able to:

- achieve the best possible mark in your exam
- approach the four different components of the **Cambridge IELTS** exam (*Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking*) with greater confidence
- handle the language more effectively and with greater confidence
- understand what you hear and what you read more easily
- speak and write more accurately
- speak more fluently
- use a wider range of vocabulary in your written and spoken English
- understand your own areas of need and continue to improve in the future



Course Contents

The course is a highly intensive programme, focusing on all of the main skills that are required in the IELTS exam, including:

- Writing
- Vocabulary
- Listening
- Speaking

As part of the course, you will do a regular examination practice to get you used to working under examination conditions. You will also concentrate on developing good examination techniques.

Throughout the course, you will be set homework exercises, with particular emphasis on reading and writing. You will receive feedback, correction and advice.

The Examination

The examination consists of the following four components and types of questions and tasks:

- Listening – you will practise listening to a variety of different texts (monologues and dialogues) connected with social needs, as well as situations related to educational and training contexts. You will practise a variety of question types, such as: multiple choice, short answer questions, matching, sentence completion, labelling a diagram, classification and notes/summary/diagram/flow-chart/table completion.
- Reading – you will practise reading a variety of different texts, taken from magazines, newspapers, books and journals. You will practise answering a variety of question types, including: multiple-choice, matching, classification and identification of views/information.
- Writing – you will practise interpreting a table or diagram and presenting the information in your own words. You will also practise writing about the solution to a problem, presenting and justifying opinions, evaluating or comparing/contrasting evidence. You will look at task realisation (what is expected in terms of register, organisation, style and content).
- Speaking – You will practise all three parts of the exam, which are designed to test your ability to communicate effectively in English. You will practise: answering general questions; speaking extensively on a particular topic; discussing more abstract issues and topics

Entry Factcheck

- Minimum age 18
- 9 or 15 hours per week - 12 weeks in total 15.00 - 18.00 Monday to Friday or
18.30 – 21.30 Monday, Wednesday and Thursday
- Course length 12 weeks

Course dates and fees for 2009

03 August – 02 November (*Evening 18:30 until 21:30*) **Part-time: £180.00** (Monthly; Excl. books and enrolment fee)

05 October – 04 December (*Afternoon 15:00 until 18:00*) **Full-time: £210.00** (Monthly; Excl. books and enrolment fee)

Course fees do not include the examination fee. Students will only be registered for the examination after payment of the appropriate fees. It is advisable to book the **IELTS** exam a minimum of 6 weeks in advance, especially if you wish to take the exam on a particular date/at a centre in **Bath/Bristol** or **Oxford**.



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