

*ESOL - Entry 3 Next Steps (A)

Extra title field

In order to ensure the safety of staff and learners, the way we can provide courses in the Autumn Term has changed. See details below. There may be further changes if Government and Public Health advice changes

How will the course benefit me?

This 15-week ESOL course from February 2021 to July 2022 is the first semester of a year's course for people who do not have English as their first language and who have already done some learning at Entry 3 level. You will have a qualification at Entry 3 in Speaking and Listening and now wish to continue learning at Entry 3 to improve your reading, writing and your confidence to use English in life and at work. After this course you should continue to the second Semester (B) of 15 weeks until June 2022 when you can take an ESB ESOL Reading and Writing exam at Entry 3 if you have made enough progress.

What will I learn?

You will learn how to continue to improve your speaking and listening, reading, writing and grammar skills needed for everyday life and employment at Entry 3 level. Your tutor will discuss and agree with you any individual topics you wish to cover. You will also improve your IT skills, including learning how to use Google Education Suite, send emails, use online meeting platforms and observe online meeting etiquette (how to switch your camera on and off, mute yourself, use the chat facility and interact online with your peers).

Career Opportunities

At the end of this course you may be able to progress onto the next level course, if you are ready and have made enough progress and your attendance, punctuality and homework are good. This may be a Level 1 ESOL course. Your tutor will discuss what the best course would be for you.

Assessment / Exam

During the first 2 weeks your learning and level - as well as your attendance, punctuality and commitment to learning - will be assessed to make sure this is the right course for you. If your assessment shows that you are at a different level, then your tutor will recommend the most suitable course for you to transfer to. If your attendance and punctuality is not good then you will not be able to continue on the course. During this course you will be assessed by your tutor to ensure you are progressing at the correct level. During this course your tutor will assess your work and skills through regular homework, tests, tutorials and observation. You will have an individual learning plan (ILP) that you will maintain with personal and group targets that you will be working towards

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Entry Requirements

• You will have been assessed and demonstrated that you have the potential to pass any assessments and exams at this level. • Please make sure this is the right course for you. Can you attend on time and stay for the whole of every session? • Can you agree to attend the whole 15-week course; have 90% attendance and spend a minimum of 3 hours a week on self-study outside the classroom? • If progressing from another course you will have: o shown the necessary commitment to learning by achieving at least 80% attendance o passed any tests or assessments (if appropriate) o very good punctuality o regularly completed homework.

Additional Material Cost

To take part in classroom based leaning you will need...... • A folder, A4 lined paper and a notebook. You may want to buy an English only dictionary. Your tutor will talk to you about this and the coursebook you will need to buy when you start the course.

Health & Safety

You will be issued with a Redbridge Institute Google account which is to be used while you are on the course. You will also be expected to be familiar with staying safe while learning online. Under no circumstances should you use your personal email account to access our Google system You will be issued with a photographic ID card and lanyard which must be worn at all times in our buildings. You will need your ID to get into the building.

How will the course be delivered?

This course will take place in the classroom at our Gearies or Mildmay sites. You will be able to take part in a variety of whole class, paired, group, individual activities and discussions. You will be asked to complete homework that will help you to work independently and develop your skills. You will be working from multi-media resources including books, handouts, presentations and real-life resources. You will also be able to use online resources and SMART technology (e.g. YouTube, websites, ESOL Nexus, Google Education Suite and others).