

Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service
Course Information Sheet

Course Title: ESOL ENTRY 2

Who is the course for?

This course is for people who do not have English as a first language and have been assessed as suitable to study at ESOL Entry 2.

How is this course delivered?

This course is face to face in one of our Centres. Some online learning may be incorporated if circumstances make this necessary. If you don't have a laptop computer, please talk to your lecturer about borrowing one from the service. **We are committed to ensuring all learners can participate.**

Do you gain any qualifications?

Yes, this course can lead to nationally recognised Ascentis Skills for Life ESOL qualifications. Your lecturer will decide with you which exam(s) you take based on your diagnostic assessments – this may be Speaking & Listening and/or Reading and/or Writing. If you pass these, you will get a **Certificate**. It may sometimes be agreed that you will not take an exam if that is the best decision for your situation.

Do you need to be interviewed or assessed before enrolling on the course?

Yes, you will need to complete an Initial Assessment and interview so we can make sure we find the right course for you.

What will you learn?

Some of the things it is possible to study at this level are:

Speaking and Listening

- Talk about the past
- Apologise and give reasons
- Ask for, give and understand directions and instructions
- Say what you want, ask what someone wants
- Say what you think, agree and disagree
- Explain a problem
- Make plans, book tickets
- Invite people and respond to invitations
- Describe what usually happens – at home, at events, or in work duties
- Compare daily life, past and present
- Compare people, places and things
- Use the telephone

Reading

- Read quickly to follow main points
- Read thoroughly in detail
- Recognise the different language used in instructions, formal letters and stories
- Read sentences with connecting clauses (and, but, because)
- Know that word order can affect meaning
- Know how full stops, commas and question marks help you to understand meaning
- Learn more spelling patterns to help reading

Writing

- Fill in forms with personal information
- Write messages and notes and keep written records
- Write about the present and the past
- Write compound sentences using linking words such as and, but, because
- Use adjectives to write about people, things and places
- Use adjectives to make comparisons
- Use adjectives with correct word order
- Spell correctly most personal details and familiar common words

Some **digital skills**, such as:

- Installing an application
- Navigating online content
- Identifying and solving simple technical problems
- Participating in online lessons
- Completing and submitting online forms
- Configuring and using secure ways to access devices
- Opening, saving and sending attachments
- Creating and editing documents
- Sending and receiving online communication

Grammar, for example:

- Present, Past & Future Tenses/verbs
- Compound Sentences, using and, so, but, because
- Questions
- Must, Have to, Could, Should
- Comparatives & Superlatives (better & best)
- Vocabulary

All ESOL courses include embedded employability, citizenship and numeracy skills, as well as enrichment activities such as trips, talks and class activities appropriate to the level.

Your teacher/tutor will give you a Diagnostic Assessment so he/she can talk with you more about what English you need to work on and which exams you should do.

We will also ask you to study at home and complete homework regularly

Equipment and resources

Essential equipment and resources - A4 ringbinder, pen, pencil and notebook

Optional equipment – a dictionary

What next?

This course could lead to employment, self-employment, or skills for future employment. When you pass all 3 exams, you can progress to ESOL Entry 3.

Holidays:

Most courses run term-time only. Your lecturer will give you full details at the start of your course.