

Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service

Course Information Sheet

Course Title: ESOL ENTRY 3

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 3.

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?

Speaking and Listening

- Make clear statements of fact
- Describe and compare places, people and things
- Tell a story saying what happened in the past
- Listen for information on the telephone and on the radio
- Give personal health information
- Make appointments in person and on the telephone
- Ask for and give advice
- Say what you think
- Make clear statements of fact
- Describe and compare places, people and things
- Tell a story saying what happened in the past
- Listen for information on the telephone and on the radio

Reading

- Obtain information from a variety of texts more than one paragraph long
- Understand that writing uses different language according to purpose and intended audience
- Read thoroughly to get detailed information or quickly to follow main points
- Understand a range of past, present and future tenses
- Read complex sentences, using conjunctions such as 'if', 'when' and 'although'
- Understand how punctuation helps you to understand meaning
- Develop visual and phonic strategies to help you understand unfamiliar words

Writing

- Plan and draft texts such as letters, instructions, reports, recipes, articles, poems, messages
- Make notes as part of planning your writing
- Organise writing in short paragraphs
- Show sequence by using words such as before, when, after, while
- Proof-read to check content, grammar and spelling
- Write using complex sentences - main and subordinate clauses
- Know the correct forms of language to use – formal, informal
- Write with accurate sentence grammar and spelling and clear handwriting

Some **digital skills**, such as:

- Installing an application
- Navigating and evaluating online content
- Participating in online lessons
- Completing and submitting online forms
- Configuring and using secure ways to access devices
- Recognising and minimising the effects of physical stress of being online
- Opening, saving and sending attachments
- Creating and editing documents
- Sending and receiving online communication

Grammar, for example:

- Present, Past & Future Tenses, Present Perfect, Used to
- Complex Sentences
- Questions
- May, Might, Will probably
- Phrasal Verbs (get up, go back)
- 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

What do I need to bring?

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 have achieved all three exams, you can progress to ESOL Level 1.

Holidays:

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