English Language Preparation course (Foundation)

About the course

The best way to improve your understanding of the English language is to enrol onto Ballsbridge University's (Ballsbridge Cyprus) online English language Preparation course- Foundation. The course is suitable to learners who wish to complete this foundation course in order to continue for a higher programme of study (Diploma/Higher Diploma/ Bachelor / Master degree).

The course covers four domains of **speaking, reading, writing and listening**, and also touches upon **spelling, grammar and punctuation**. The **interactive modules** and **tutor support webinars** can help students develop the core foundation year as a support to continue for a higher level education. This English language foundation course **combines audio clips to help students understand key fundamental concepts of the English language**. Students also have **access to an online social forum**, where they can interact with other students and practice their new English skills.



Centre Reference Number: QCN001119



Structure:

This English language foundation course is made up of 10 modules. Each module consists of 10 guided learning hours of material with an additional 5 hours' worth of optional material comprised of recommended exercises, recommended readings, Internet resources, and self-testing exercises.

1. Home, family and daily life

- Develop vocabulary regarding home/family life
- Learn how to communicate about social trends
- o Develop listening skills in the context of explanations and presentations
- o Develop speaking/listening skills in the context of giving a talk
- Understand the structure of a text presenting advantages and disadvantages

2. Politics and socio-cultural issues

- o Develop vocabulary regarding politics and socio-cultural issues
- Learn how to find, access and understand news in newspapers and on the TV, radio and internet

3. Work and professions

- Develop vocabulary regarding topics relevant to work and professional subjects
- Develop familiarity with communicating via email, leaving voicemails, and in formal and informal language

4. Health and fitness

- o Develop vocabulary relating to health and fitness
- o Learn how to participles and follow a dialogue between multiple people

5. Citizenship and politics

- o Develop confidence with ability to give views and opinions on local issues
- o Develop vocabulary about citizenship and politics

6. Crime and punishment

- o Develop vocabulary regarding crime and punishment
- Learn to listen to and follow discussions

7. The environment

- o Develop vocabulary regarding the environment and environmental issues
- Develop letter and email reading and writing abilities

8. Technology

- Listen to conversations among retailers and customers relating to the purchase of technological goods for the home
- Listen to a conversation between teenagers about their social media habits

9. Science and education

- o Develop vocabulary relating to science and education
- o Practice listening to and following a discussion

10. Exam preparation

- Helps prepare learners for an English language exam by explaining requirements
- Covers some examples of the kinds of questions that will come up in the English language exam
- o Provides a list of helpful advice for the exam

Each of the first 9 modules will be made of a **Listening and Speaking section** and a **Reading and Writing section**, and will help you to develop all aspects of your communications skills. The exam module will prepare you to take an optional English language exam.

Entry requirements:

This course is most suited to individuals who are 18+ years old looking to improve their level of English in order to continue for a Bachelor or a Master degree at Ballsbridge University in all fields of study. Students will also need to be capable of communicating in English to at least on a minimum level of English to study this course!

Course fees:

The cost of this online English language preparation course is **€800**.

Compulsory Online English Language Examination €100.

Students can make payment using one of the following methods:

- Bank transfer
- Paypal