



**STUDENT  
HANDBOOK  
- YOUR  
COURSE**

# Welcome to Live Language!

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We hope you will enjoy your time with us. Before you start, take some time to get to know your course. This pack answers to frequently asked questions.

## What is the IELTS Preparation 15 course?

Whether you need an IELTS score for university, work or visa purposes, our IELTS course will help you achieve your goals. Our teachers have had considerable experience in teaching IELTS preparation courses and we've helped people from all over the world to get the score they needed. Your IELTS course focuses on giving you the best strategies to make the most of your English level. You'll learn about each section of the exam and how to achieve the score you need in the writing and speaking using the examiner's criteria. You will have frequent tests so you can clearly see your progress and identify the areas you need to work on. You must be Intermediate (B1) to join the IELTS class. Your IELTS classes run from **9.00 - 12.15pm** each day.

## What is the General English 15 course?

At Live Language, we focus not just on language, but developing your study skills and techniques. This means that your course benefits you even after you finish your English lessons. You'll cover grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation and all the skills – reading, writing, speaking and listening. The General English course is designed for people who want to improve their English skills for a variety of reasons such as:

- Getting a better job
- Improving confidence when speaking
- Helping with life in an English-speaking environment
- Developing natural conversation skills

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## What are the Intensive 22.5 courses?

If you have chosen the Intensive option, you will have an additional class at **1.00 – 2.30pm**. You can upgrade your General English 15 course to **Intensive General English** or IELTS Preparation 15 course to **Intensive IELTS preparation**. When you add the afternoon class to your timetable, you have the opportunity to focus on real language to help you in an English-speaking country. It's also a fantastic chance to review and practise the language and skills you learned in the morning.

## Who are my teachers?

All of our teachers have teaching English qualifications and a variety of experience. You can meet them [here](#). The team are dedicated to improving their teaching skills and attend frequent training sessions. Although each teacher has their own style, all of them want to help you improve. You may change teacher during your course and this allows you to experience different accents and teaching techniques. If you have any problems with your course or indeed anything, speak to them first. For example, if you think you need more practice in a certain area or if you don't like some of the activities in class, speak to your teacher. They are friendly and happy to change lessons to suit you.

## How do they teach?

All teachers have their own teaching style but we have developed our own Teaching Code of Practice at Live Language. The teachers looked at each other's lessons and put together a list of all the best practices they saw. We developed this into our own standard. You will see common activities and methods in all of our teachers classes. Our teachers push you to do better and develop your skills out of class. Every minute of your classes is an opportunity to learn as you are encouraged to learn from your classmates as well as the teacher.

## What will I study?

Each week, the teacher designs lessons to suit the needs of the students in the class. Some of your classmates may have been studying for a while, but don't worry. The teachers make sure that the lessons are accessible for everyone. Each level follows the British Council [Learning Outcomes](#) so you can easily see what is expected of you in class, and what you will cover.

## What are tutorials?

Tutorials are carried out every 3 weeks. They are one-to-one meetings between you and your teacher. Before the tutorial, the teacher will ask you to complete the Tutorial Form, which asks you to assess your own performance. When you meet with your teacher, you will look at the [Learning Outcomes](#) for the level and agree your grade. You will also be able to talk about the self-study you did outside class. You will work with the teachers to decide on the goals you want to achieve before the next tutorial.

## How will I know my progress?

You will be given regular tests so you see if there is anything you need to review or if you are ready for the next level. Homework is given every day. Remember that everyone progresses at different rates and it depends on a number of factors. The students who progress most quickly are those who attend **all** their classes, use English as much as they can outside class and do lots of self-study.

**Good luck – and welcome again to Live Language!**