

# General English



*With a focus on fluency, the General English course allows you to improve your English and gain a practical understanding of the language and how to use it. You will focus on the 4 skills: reading, writing, speaking and listening, in order to improve your level and maximise your ability to use English.*

## THIS COURSE IS SUITABLE FOR STUDENTS

- who are at any level, from Beginner to Advanced. Lowest level for Brisbane, Gold Coast and Sydney is 'Elementary'.
- who want to improve their level and gain confidence in all areas of the English language
- who want to improve their fluency and ability to use English in everyday situations and contexts

## WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT ON THIS COURSE?

### Real English

You will experience how English is spoken and used in many real-life situations. Relevant and engaging lessons will develop your understanding of grammar, vocabulary, idioms and pronunciation, and allow you to practise the use of everyday English through the four skills: *reading, writing, speaking and listening*.

### Creative and Energetic Classes

When it comes to creating lessons, our teachers know what works. Classes are dynamic, engaging and motivating, designed to activate and build upon your strengths, whilst also giving targeted attention to your weaker areas. Relaxed and informal classroom environments create an encouraging atmosphere to help you build your confidence, realise your potential, and advance towards fluency.

### Learn by Doing

At EC, progress is maximised as you are encouraged to learn by doing. Our task-based lessons focus on the active production of English, promoting class participation and interaction between students.

### Improve Your 'Thinking Time'

As your skills and confidence develop with support from your teachers, so too will your ability to listen, understand and respond quickly and effectively in English. You will notice these improvements most of all when you take your English outside of the classroom and into everyday conversation in one of our vibrant English-speaking destinations!

## LEVEL

Beginner to Advanced

## COURSE DURATION

Minimum 1 week

## COURSE START DATES

Every Monday

## 1 LESSON

1 Lesson = 45 minutes (USA, Canada, UK, Ireland, Malta, South Africa)

1 Lesson = 50 minutes (Australia, New Zealand)

## LESSONS PER WEEK

20 lessons per week

## MAXIMUM IN CLASS

- Malta: max 12 in class
- Cape Town, Manchester, Brighton, Oxford, Boston, New York, Oswego, San Francisco, Miami, Los Angeles, San Diego, Washington, Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Gold Coast, Auckland : max 15 in class.
- Bristol, Cambridge, London 30+, London: max 14 in class

### **Expert Support**

Your teachers are trained to deliver on-going support, feedback and care throughout your time at EC. You will be taught by at least two teachers, exposing you to a variety of voices, improving your listening and boosting your vocabulary.

### **Authentic Materials**

We believe there is no substitute for authentic English, so in addition to text books, our teachers use real-life resources taken from newspapers, TV, radio and the Internet. The authentic nature of these materials will give you an appreciation of the richness of the English language used in a variety of everyday contexts.

### **Standard Programme:**

In our Australia and New Zealand locations, our General English course is called the Standard Programme.

*General English (Beginner to Advanced) (10 to 52 weeks): CRICOS Course Code 072051D*

