English Now

Specialised modules in English for education, the workplace or intercultural communication

Exclusive to EC Cambridge

English Now is a unique language course that lets you customise your curriculum with module options that focus on English for higher education or global success. With small class settings, English Now provides you with the 21st-century skills you need: from critical thinking to intercultural collaboration. You can also add additional modules (up to 4 per week) and attend free lectures to make the most of your English Now course and your time in the charming city of Cambridge.

These are sample timetables and are subject to change.

Timetable A

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9.00 - 10.30	General English		General English		General English
10.30 - 10.45	15 min break				
10.45 - 12.15	General English		General English		General English
12:15 - 13:00	Break				
13:00 - 14:30	Special Focus Classes (30 lessons per week students only)				
14.30 - 14.45	15 min break				
14:45 - 16.15		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.	
16.15 - 16.30	15 min break				
16.30 - 18.00		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.	

Level

All levels

Course Duration

4, 8, 12, 16, 20, or 24 weeks (modules run every 4 weeks)

Course start dates

See dates below

Lessons per week

20 or 30

Lesson Duration

1 Lesson = 45 minutes

Maximum in class

General English: 12
English Now: 8
Free lectures: 20 (week 3 of each module)

Standard

Standard courses are **20 lessons per week**:

12

General English lessons

8

Further Education / Global Success modules

Timetable B

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9.00 - 10.30		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.	
10.30 - 10.45	15 min break				
10.45 - 12.15		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.		Module: Life at University / Storytelling etc.	
12:15 - 13:00	15 min break				
13:00 - 14:30	Special Focus Classes (30 lessons per week students only)				
14.30 - 14.45	15 min break				
14:45 - 16.15	General English		General English		General English
16.15 - 16.30	15 min break				
16.30 - 18.00	General English		General English		General English

Dates

English Now 2026 Start Dates			
05 & 19 January	13 & 27 April	13 & 27 July	05 & 19 October
02 & 16 February	11 May	10 & 24 August	02, 16 & 30 November
02, 16 & 30 March	01, 15 & 29 June	07 & 21 September	14 December

English Now: Choose your option

English now is available in two options. Choose the option that matches your goals.

Further Education

Choose Further Education if you are thinking of taking a further education (university or college) course in the future that is taught in English.
This course builds skills in presentations, essay writing, research, source citation, and critical thinking.

Modules

- Introduction to Reading Skills
- Life at University
- Basic Essay Writing Skills
- Advanced Essay Writing Skills
- Listening at University
- Poster Presentations
- Presentation Skills for University
- Reading & Research

Global Success

Choose Global Success if you would like to expand your horizons and engage with English-speaking global citizens.
In English Now for Global Success, you train in intercultural communication, debate, and storytelling.

Modules

- Speaking Skills for Social Situations
- Intercultural Communication
- Debating & Arguing
- English for Technology & Innovation
- Storytelling
- English for Social & Environmental Issues

Intensive

Intensive courses are **30 lessons per week:**

12

General English Lessons

8

Further Education / Global Success modules

10

Exam preparation courses

What you can expect on this course

Unlock new opportunities, confidence and fluency

Programme flexibility

English Now provides ultimate flexibility: Choose the English Now track that's right for you (English in Education, Workplace or Global Success), the duration of your course, the intensity level (number of English lessons per week), the modules you're interested in—and how you want to supercharge your studies with additional modules.

Wide range of module choices

Select the modules that meet your needs and help you achieve your goals in education, the workplace or intercultural communication. Module options include: Basic writing skills, debating and arguing, introduction to essay writing, reading and research, life at university, effective emailing, communication in the workplace, meeting skills, job seeking skills and many more.

Real-world practice

Put your English into action with interactive tasks and real-world scenarios built into your modules. You will participate in practical, hands-on activities, including writing, speaking, presenting, and collaborating. These activities build confidence and prepare you for university, the workplace or life in an international setting.

Personalised learning

Small classes (a maximum of 8 students in each module), make it possible for you to tailor your learning, focus on your goals and take advantage of individualised guidance from your instructors.

Free lectures

In our free lectures (available in week 3 of every module), knowledgeable guest speakers will help expand your knowledge of the world with lecture topics ranging from historical events to marketing yourself on LinkedIn. Join in their question-and-answer sessions after the lecture—and practise your English.

Expert counselling

Get in-depth personal guidance counselling from our University Placement Service. They can help you: Choose the university course that's right for you, get through the application process, and assist you with processing your visa application.