

Course info for General English students

What to expect on the General English course

IH Aberdeen's General English course is designed to help you improve all areas of your English, from increasing your vocabulary and language for everyday life; to giving you lots of practice in speaking, listening, reading, writing and grammar; and helping you improve your pronunciation. Your teacher will aim to provide fun and interactive lessons, using a wide variety of activities to make your learning experience enjoyable.

Course syllabus and materials for General English

You will receive a course book. However, your teachers will also use other authentic materials from the internet, newspapers, video, music, film and digital materials. For information on the topics which you will study in your class, please refer to the contents page of your course book. You will also get different types of homework tasks, e.g. listening to the news, online research or revision activities.

Levels

You will receive a free English test before you start your class and you will be placed in a class suitable to your level.

Start dates

You can start a General English course any Monday of the year. For public holidays and any non-teaching days, please see here: www.ihaberdeen.com/about/calendar

Progress

You will do a short progress test every 2 weeks. Your teacher will also include revision in the class on a daily basis and you will get feedback during and after each activity.

To monitor your progress, you will do mid-term and end-of-term tests, which also help us (and you) monitor your progress.

You can discuss your progress with your teacher at any stage of your study at IHA. You will also have 2 Progress Tutorials per term where you have the opportunity to discuss your learning goals with your teacher and get constructive feedback and advice on ways of improving your English.

Weekly Plan and Weekly Review

On Mondays, your teacher will present their plan for the week. You also have the opportunity to suggest anything in particular you would like to study.



On Fridays, your teacher will discuss what has been covered in class that week to find out if you feel you need further practice in any area. They will also ask for suggestions of topics you might like to cover in the following week.

Terms

Terms at IH are 12 or 13 weeks long and there are 4 terms per year.

Self-study materials

You are encouraged to try out websites to help you improve your English – see the list of useful online resources in the classrooms.

