

Key Facts

- Dates***
13 January - 4 April
7 April - 27 June
30 June - 19 September
22 September - 12 December
- Duration**
12 weeks
- Lessons**
15 hours per week
Monday - Friday
- Class Size**
Max. 12 students per class**
- Minimum Level**
Intermediate (B1)

*The school is closed on the following days in 2026: 3 April, 6 April, 4 May, 25 May, 31 August.
** Average class size is 7-8. The maximum is generally 12, but in special cases, this may increase to 13.

What You Get

- Welcome pack, folder and all learning materials, including textbook
- Optional tutorials
- Mock exam and feedback
- Free study clubs
- Certificate of completion*

*provided you attend at least 80% of lessons

Book Your Place

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IELTS Course 2026

- Intensive preparation for the IELTS Academic exam**
- Develop the skills you need for the exam**
- We can advise you on your university application**

The Lewis School has a strong history in providing IELTS courses, with many previous students following degree courses in Southampton and other cities. Our course is textbook-based. It focuses entirely on the skills and language you need for the exam, enabling you to make rapid progress.

To ensure you have the best preparation for the exam, we give you regular practice tests throughout the course, and towards the end, you will be given a full mock exam and feedback on your score. Exams can be taken locally, shortly before or after the course ends. Demand for exams is high and we advise you to book early. Exams can be booked through the school - see below. We also provide optional tutorials to ensure you are happy with your learning, and we can advise you on your university application. We look forward to helping you on your journey to a higher education course.

2026 Fees	Weeks	Hours	Dates	Price (GBP)
IELTS Course	12	15/week	12 Jan - 2 Apr 7 Apr - 26 Jun 29 Jun - 18 Sep 21 Sep - 11 Dec	2448
IELTS Short Course <i>(see separate info sheet)</i>	3	15/week	2-20 Feb 7-24 Apr 29 Jun - 17 Jul	615

Additional Fees

- **£65** - enrolment fee (applies to new students only)
- Exam registration fee is not included (exam registration is optional). This is approximately £215-£250 depending on the exam centre. The schools adds a small administration charge.

Add-on Courses

You can add to your course by booking 1:1 Lessons or Afternoon Classes. See our website for details of these courses.

Course Content Overview

Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking
<p>Skills Practice Understanding the task Listening for signals Identifying context Predicting possible answers Understanding spelling & corrections Listening for parallel expressions</p> <p>Task Practice Note completion Sentence completion Short-answer questions Labelling a diagram Flowchart completion Multiple choice Classification Summary completion True/false/not given</p>	<p>Skills Practice Skimming & scanning for information Identifying main ideas Identifying parallel expressions Academic vocabulary Deducing meaning from context</p> <p>Task Practice Paragraph headings Matching Multiple choice Short-answer questions Labelling a diagram Classification True/false/not given Flowchart completion Sentence completion Summary completion</p>	<p>Writing Task 1 Describing trends Summarising information Collocations Describing line graphs Describing pie charts, bar charts and tables Describing diagrams and processes Analysis of model answers</p> <p>Writing Task 2 Structuring an essay Paragraphing and linking Developing an argument Discursive language Expressing opinions Giving examples Describing cause and effect Describing advantages and disadvantages Analysis of model answers</p>	<p>Expressing preferences, likes and dislikes Descriptive language Relating experiences Speaking 'on the spot' Discursive language Evaluating Expressing opinions Giving examples Describing advantages and disadvantages Improving and developing answers</p>

Course Objectives

- Expand your academic English vocabulary
- Familiarise yourself with the IELTS exam format
- Develop strategies for each question type
- Complete mock tests

Exam Overview

IELTS is an important exam for higher education entry. The academic test has four papers:

Listening: approximately 30 minutes

The Listening test has four parts and 40 questions. It includes conversations and monologues in social and academic contexts.

Reading: 60 minutes

This paper consists of three long texts taken from books, journals, magazines and newspapers. There are 40 questions with a range of question types.

Writing: 60 minutes

Task 1 involves summarising and describing information shown in a chart, graph, table or diagram. In Task 2, you write an essay. Both tasks require a formal style.

Speaking: 11–14 minutes

The Speaking test has three parts. First, you answer questions about yourself. Then you speak for up to two minutes on a topic card after one minute to prepare. Finally, you discuss the topic with the examiner.

See <https://www.ielts.org/for-test-takers/test-format>

Timetable (Mon-Fri)	
9.30 - 11.00	1st Lesson
11.00 - 11.30	Break
11.30 - 13.00	2nd Lesson
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch

Social Activities

We have an exciting range of free and paid activities for you. These include full-day and half-day trips at the weekend (typically 2-3 times per month), barbecues, parties, sports, local visits and weekly Study Clubs, such as Conversation Club and Grammar Clinic. See our website for details and example prices.

