

LAL Language Centres

English for Law



This course is for anyone who needs to develop the specialised language required for working in a legal environment. You will cover a variety of legal topics, such as company law, competition law, mergers and acquisitions, human rights and intellectual property. Your course will introduce authentic legal texts and case studies. You will develop practical skills to help you discuss legal matters more effectively, to participate in meetings, negotiate effectively and make presentations.

Available in:	London, Cape Town
Lessons per week:	20 lessons = 15 hours
Lesson length:	45 minutes
Lesson schedule:	Mornings or afternoons
Class size max:	12 students
Course length:	2 weeks
Starting dates 2017:	London: 13 Feb, 07 Aug; Cape Town: 20 Mar, 21 Aug, 20 Nov
Levels:	B1 Intermediate and higher

SAMPLE TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Topic: The practice of law</p> <p>Reading and discussion: Types of law, bodies of law</p> <p>Listening: Lawyers, law firm structures and practice areas</p>	<p>Topic: Company law</p> <p>Reading and discussion: Roles in company management</p> <p>Listening: Company formation</p>	<p>Topic: Contracts</p> <p>Video: A company IPO</p> <p>Reading and discussion: Capitalisation, shareholders and supervisory board</p>	<p>Topic: Intellectual property</p> <p>Discussion: Copyright and fair use</p> <p>Reading: Business method patents and trademark statutes</p>	<p>Topic: Competition law</p> <p>Reading and discussion: Introduction to competition law, anti-competitive activities and antitrust measures</p>
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<p>Vocabulary: Working lives: a company commercial lawyer</p> <p>Reading and speaking: Describing a law firm, describing what a law says</p>	<p>Language focus: Incorporation, Memorandum and Articles of Association</p> <p>Speaking and Presentation skills: Making an informal presentation</p> <p>Writing: A letter of advice to a client</p>	<p>Language focus: How to contrast information</p> <p>Speaking: Expressing opinions</p> <p>Writing: Summarising legalese into plain language</p>	<p>Case study: Intellectual property law, unfair use, holding a meeting, resolving disputes</p> <p>Writing: Notes for a case brief</p>	<p>Language focus: Advising a client of risks</p> <p>Case study: A cartel in China</p> <p>Speaking: Holding a meeting to summarise a situation and warn of risk</p>