

LAL Language Centres

Medical English



This course is for those wishing to enter the medical profession and for health professionals already working who need to develop the specialised language required for clear and accurate communication in work situations. Language and skills are practiced using authentic contexts. You will develop the vocabulary, language and skills needed to understand medical texts, to prepare for medical exams and to communicate accurately and effectively with work colleagues and patients.

Available in:	Torbay, Boston
Lessons per week:	20 lessons = 15 hours
Lesson length:	45 minutes
Lesson schedule:	Mornings or afternoons
Class size max:	12 students
Course length:	Torbay: 2 weeks; Boston: 2 – 8 weeks
Starting dates 2017:	Torbay: 06 Feb, 04 Sep; Boston: 06 Feb, 01 May, 02 Oct
Levels:	B1 Intermediate and higher

SAMPLE TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>TOPIC: Presenting complaints</p> <p>Listening & Writing: Taking basic information</p> <p>Speaking: Asking short and gentle questions</p>	<p>TOPIC: Examining a patient</p> <p>Language focus: Asking about symptoms</p> <p>Language focus: Giving instructions</p>	<p>TOPIC: Special examinations</p> <p>Language focus: Instructing, explaining and reassuring</p> <p>Speaking: Role play: medical practitioner and patient</p>	<p>TOPIC: Making a diagnosis</p> <p>Speaking: Discussing a diagnosis</p> <p>Speaking: Role play: explaining a diagnosis to a patient</p>	<p>TOPIC: Working in a team</p> <p>Video: The challenges of working across cultures: real experiences of medical professionals</p> <p>Language focus: politeness in different cultures</p>
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<p>Vocabulary: Describing pain</p> <p>Writing: Taking notes</p> <p>Reading and vocabulary: Scanning a case history</p>	<p>Speaking: Role play: medical practitioner and patient</p> <p>Reading and writing: Noting information from a textbook</p> <p>Case history analysis: Authentic patient information</p>	<p>Vocabulary: Describing outcomes</p> <p>Reading: medical documents and articles</p>	<p>Language focus: Showing sympathy and empathy</p> <p>Speaking: Terminal illness and dying</p> <p>Case history analysis: Authentic patient information</p>	<p>Listening: Dealing with misunderstandings</p> <p>Speaking: Asking colleagues for help</p>