

# General English (Microsite Pop-Out)

Learners at The Linguaviva Centre can choose between three General English intensive course options, General English ( 20 Lessons) General & Professional English ( 25 lessons) and General & Professional English ( 30 lessons)

- i. General English (20 lessons) focuses on CEFR linked learning outcomes, is task based with an integrated skills approach and has an Irish materials strand. The emphasis is on spoken production and interaction.
- ii. General English (25 lessons) builds on the tenets of the 20 lesson course and offers Professional English modules which are CEFR learning outcomes linked, while offering a more project based approach for a professional person looking to work through English.
- iii. General English (30 lessons) is our most intensive option and is aimed at students looking to maximise their study time each week. This course comprises of 5 mornings and 4 afternoons study each week, where all afternoons are based on Professional English syllabus with a more project based approach.

**All of these courses are linked to externally assessed certification.**

- The General English course (20 lessons per week) is an intensive course at all levels of the CEFR (A0- C1+).
- The 12 week syllabus for each course is packed with interesting digital materials, both coursebook related and produced in house.
- The courses are extremely flexible to suit your calendar.
- Learners can start a course on any Monday of the year and take a morning or afternoon option.
- Once they have taken the Linguaviva Placement Test online they will be given an individual Learning Plan which will explain in detail the outcomes they will cover on their course.
- All courses follow an integrated skills approach where learners can expect to make significant progress with speaking, listening, reading and writing in English with a major emphasis on spoken production and interaction.

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- At Linguaviva we recognise the importance of teaching pronunciation and our teachers explore sounds, stress and the rhythm of English with our learners.
- We use real life contexts to teach English, helping the learners to explore their environment by investigating situations likely to arise while travelling or living abroad, to describe their experiences and events they take part in.
- Learners will work from the latest editions of the English File coursebooks at each level.
- Presentations are via our interactive class software and students will benefit for the ability to access digital supplementary materials and between class work both on Google Classroom and the software for their coursebooks. As well as the carefully selected coursebook series at Linguaviva, we have an Irish Materials strand of the course which explores modern Ireland, the socio-economic context in which the learners are studying and living, as well as the culture and history of the country. Because we feel that significant progress in English is paramount, we have integrated into our course both progress testing and externally assessed certification.
- In the case of the General English suite of courses, learners will have a choice of exams which they can prepare for as part of their General English Course. The 20 lesson intensive option allows learners to prepare for the TIE (Test of Interactive English)\* or at B2 and C1 levels the IELTS (International Language Testing System)\* The 25 and 30 lesson intensive options allow learners to prepare for the BEC (Business English Cambridge).\*

**The options above allow a learner to take an intensive course while still allowing them to take a full part in extra- curricular activities.**

***\*Learners must take a minimum of 8 weeks in order to register, prepare for and sit an external exam.***