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LANGUAGE SCHOOL**



**ENGLISH & VOCATIONAL TRAINING**



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## Providing quality education since 1995

La Lingua Language School was started in December 1995 with the vision of teaching practical “real life” language as it is spoken. The founders had a dream of equipping students with the skills for true international communication.

Our reputation grew quickly through word of mouth and we came to be known as the first and best English conversation school in Sydney. In 2000 La Lingua was accredited by NEAS and registered as a provider of high quality English programs for overseas students. La Lingua continues to specialise in spoken communication, but has developed and gained recognition for many exciting new courses. We now deliver a broad range of programs, from General English to Academic English to Occupational English and Exam Preparation.

We won the Australian Ethnic Business Council Small Business award in 2002 for our contribution to Australian society, and for being a mediator between Australia and the international community.

**Student feedback in our regular surveys helps to make our school a living and evolving place. La Lingua Language School is “everyone’s school”, created by our teachers and staff, as well as our students.**

We are committed to quality education. We are committed to making your learning a pleasurable and memorable experience.



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# La Lingua is an independent language school full of originality

## **Small classes with individual attention**

Our teachers provide a supportive learning environment with solid error correction, and lots of opportunities for you to build up confidence and fluency.

## **La Lingua's original teaching methods**

We have carefully designed our courses to the highest standards.

## **Creative and dynamic teachers**

In order to maintain our excellent student satisfaction rates La Lingua undertakes a vigorous selection process for new teachers and staff.

## **Practical English skills that you will help you find work**

At La Lingua you will study situations that you will encounter in English speaking countries, including job hunting skills. Our English for Specific Purposes courses are very practical, providing work place language skills and work experience.

## **Make life-time friends from all over the world!**

- Language exchange partner program
- Pub nights with Australian students
- Parties and special events
- Picnics and beach barbecues





General English: Conversation Centred  
Minjune Kim from Korea

Hello, My name is Minjune Kim. I came to Sydney on the 25th Sept, 2013. Before I came here, I was very nervous, because it was my first trip to a foreign country. Also, I was worried about my English, and how I could speak to other people, and make friends. But after I arrived at La Lingua, I stopped worrying. I learned how to speak with friends in English. Now, I can speak English confidently everywhere I go. Studying English in Australia was easy. It was much better than I expected. Don't worry about English. If you come to La Lingua, just enjoy it!!

## Realworld

# General English: Conversation Centred

[076663K]

Level : Elementary to Advanced  
 9:30am - 3:30pm (Mon-Fri)  
 25 hours per week  
 Duration: 1 - 48 weeks  
 Course starts: Every Monday

At La Lingua we believe that learning a language should be a wonderful experience. In our famous Conversation course you will study intensive spoken communication skills for living, studying and working in English environments. The lessons are extremely practical and rewarding, and the classes are truly enjoyable. You can use what you have learned immediately, outside the classroom.

## 80% of class time is set aside for students to speak!

La Lingua students actively participate in all lessons. We believe that it is important to provide

- A relaxed atmosphere so that you feel confident to speak as much as possible
- An exciting range of activities that relate to real-life experiences
- Natural English that will help you to understand and communicate successfully with native speakers in study, work and fun situations
- A strong focus on correcting your vocabulary choices, sentence structure and pronunciation
- Lots of opportunities for you to express your own ideas, feelings and experiences in English

### SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLE: Realworld General English: Conversation Centred

#### Week 3: Weekly Theme: Out & About (Level - Intermediate)

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
9:30 - 11:00	Asking for and Giving Directions Prepositions for Describing Location	Using Public Transport: Vocabulary and Dialogue Build	Planning a Day out in Sydney Discussion, Vocabulary	Planning a Trip around Australia Discussion, Vocabulary	Revision of Week's Work
11:00 - 11:10	Break				
11:10 - 12:40	Dialogue Build and Roleplay: "Can you tell me where..?"	Discussion: Comparing public transport in Australia and your country	Dialogue Build and Roleplay: Enquiring about a Day Trip	Dialogue Build and Roleplay: Going to a Travel Agency	Test
12:40 - 13:30	Lunch Break				
13:30 - 14:30	<b>Vocabulary Extension</b> Buildings and Street scenes	<b>Listening Practice</b> Airport/ station announcements	<b>Grammar Reinforcement</b> "going to" and "will"	<b>Reading Development</b> Travel brochures, timetables etc	Practical Study Excursion: City-wide scavenger hunt
14:30 - 15:30	Real words	Smooth Talk	Listening	What's going on?	Activities

**It is a life experience rather than just an English course!!**



#### Ms. Liouba Iripkhanova from Russia

This is my 2nd time to study English at La Lingua, the 1st time was one year ago and this year, I took my daughter in-law to study with me as well.

My son lives in Sydney and I visit him every year. Last year we browsed the internet to find a language school I could study English at. We loved the idea of conversation-centred lessons, with small class sizes. The school was very good, the staff there were very friendly, and the class structure allows you to study English with maximum efficiency. Now my son is studying Japanese at La Lingua too!

#### Ms. Grazia Montuori from Italy

My friends from Italy who were La Lingua students recommended La Lingua, so I visited the school for a free trial lesson. The small class size was very beneficial for our English study! We were able to speak a lot during class time. The school has a very relaxed and friendly atmosphere, and it was lovely to meet lots of students from all over the world. Big kisses for all the teachers and staff at La Lingua!

Realworld

# General English: Four Skills [076664J]

Level: Beginner to Upper-Intermediate  
 9:30am - 2:30pm (Mon - Fri)  
 4:30pm - 8:50pm (Mon - Fri)  
 20 hours per week  
 Duration: 1 - 66 weeks  
 Course starts: Every Monday



This course develops your overall confidence. It provides firm foundations in all of the essential building blocks of the English language: grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation, listening, reading, writing, and speaking.

A variety of interesting topics are considered, such as daily life, work, transport, leisure, current affairs and culture, using up-to-date, fresh materials. Regular tests allow you to make continual progress.

In addition, our unique General English: Four Skills course is taught by teachers with many years of experience in teaching speaking skills, so you will still have many opportunities to improve your spoken communication, in a lively classroom atmosphere.

Realworld

# English for Academic Purposes (EAP) [039850C]

Level: Upper-Intermediate to Advanced  
 9:30am - 2:30pm (Mon - Fri)  
 20 hrs per week  
 Duration: 16 weeks  
 Course starts: Every Monday

This course is designed for those who are planning to study at a university, TAFE or training college in Australia or another English-speaking country.

A wide range of topics are covered, introducing students to important current issues for critical analysis and discussion. Lessons are student-centred and provide a lot of individual attention.

You will learn research skills, listening and note-taking skills, paraphrasing, essay writing and oral presentations. Our emphasis is on promoting strong spoken and written communication skills for expressing opinions, presenting logical arguments and debating points of view.

## EAP

16 weeks  
direct entry

- Degree at University
- Diploma at Educational Institutes

## Future Pathways

Successful completion of La Lingua's English for Academic Purposes course at the required level may enable you to gain direct entry to several Australian Universities and Educational Institutes affiliated with La Lingua.

- ACES Centre College
- APIC (Asia Pacific International College)
- KENT Institute of Business and Technology
- Kaplan Business School Australia
- KOI (King's Own Institute)
- Strathfield College
- TOP Education Institute



SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLE: Realworld English for Academic Purposes (EAP)					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Topic	Land & Water Pollution	Air Pollution	Global Warming	Alternative	Recycling & Sustainable Production
9.30   11.00	Vocabulary: environmental issues	Speaking: Explaining natural disasters	Listening for opinions	Reading: Distinguishing fact & opinion	Reading: Skimming a text
11.10   12.40	Reading for gist	Writing: sentences of cause & effect	Reading graphs	Writing an essay	Listening for facts
13.30   14.30	Writing a summary	Intonation: agreement & disagreement	Speaking: Using visual aids in presentation	Language: The passive	Speaking: Describing problems

# Realworld English for Hospitality & Tourism

(Barista Training Optional) [067434J]

Level: Pre-Intermediate to Upper-Intermediate  
 10:30am - 3:30pm (Mon - Fri)  
 20 hours per week  
 Duration: 6 weeks

If you are considering a job or career in a hotel, tour company, travel agency, restaurant or café, this highly practical course provides an excellent introduction to hospitality and tourism English.

You will be given intensive practice in the polite language needed for customer service, taking reservations and orders, describing services, dealing with complaints, planning trips and tours, and getting a job.

Lessons are fun and full of activity as you role-play real life situations. Our H&T students grow in confidence as they plan special events in the school, learn how to be a barista and make café-quality coffee for staff and fellow students.

SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLE: Realworld English for Hospitality & Tourism					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
10:30 - 12:30	<b>Introduction to course</b> Course requirement Describing interests, skills and work experience	<b>The front office/ Reception</b> Telephone English Customer Service	<b>Hotel facilities</b> Describing facilities and buildings Giving directions indoors	<b>Front office duties</b> Checking-in guests Explaining available services	<b>Dealing with payments</b> Foreign currencies Money Payment queries
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch Break				
13:30 - 15:30	<b>Introduction to coffee</b> Brief history of coffee Types of coffee	<b>The coffee machine</b> Identifying parts of a machine Explaining purpose	<b>Pulling a shot and steaming milk</b> Understanding instructions and warnings Giving instructions	<b>Cafe service</b> Greeting and seating customers	<b>Taking restaurant reservations</b> Asking for details Confirming Apologising



English for Hospitality & Tourism with Barista Training  
 Machiko Nishizawa from Japan

I really enjoyed learning barista skills at one of the most popular local cafes in Sydney. I feel my barista trainer, Nick who has great experience as a Barista has a passion to take care of customers. It is easy to understand his explanations because he teaches me kindly in easy English. Every morning I prepared coffee for my school staff as a way to practise my skills at making coffee. Their feedback makes me feel confident and pleased, because it shows me what I can do to improve my abilities.



IELTS Preparation  
Elena Dovernor from Russia

La Lingua has been recommended to me by my travelling agent as one of the best language schools in the city. It is an absolutely perfect combination of price, location and teacher's qualification. I have been studying in IELTS class for half a year and I definitely can state that my English has been improved dramatically. It is also very important that the IELTS teacher is not only a teacher, but also an IELTS examiner so he really knows how to prepare us for this test. La Lingua is not just a school, but also a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends from all over the world. Every Friday teachers take us to excursions, museums, galleries or just to a picnic, to help students use their English skills outside the classroom, which I find very useful, especially for beginners, as they are usually quite shy.



# IELTS Preparation [070546G]

Level: Intermediate to Advanced  
 9:30am - 2:30pm (Mon-Fri)  
 4:30pm - 9:00pm (Mon-Fri)  
 20 hours per week  
 Duration: 20 weeks  
 Course starts: Every Monday




The International English Language Test System continues to be the most important key to enter universities and colleges in Australia and overseas, as well as permanent residency in Australia.

It is a difficult test that requires a high standard of global English skills, including comprehension, vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation. Our highly qualified and experienced IELTS professionals provide all of the essential knowledge that you need to succeed in the exam, as well as weekly practice tests and tips on time management and answer strategies.

SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLE: IELTS Preparation					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
9:30 - 11:00	<b>Introduction to topic</b> Cultural comparison of diet  <b>Vocabulary</b> Adjectives describing food	<b>Talking about possibility and certainty</b>  <b>Grammar</b> Adverbs of degree	<b>Vocabulary</b> Words for sports and fitness <b>Speaking/Writing</b> Formal and informal register	<b>Speaking</b> Part 2: Descriptions  <b>Discussions:</b> Sports	<b>Writing</b> Process essay
11:00 - 11:10	Break				
11:10 - 12:40	<b>Listening</b> Sentence completion  Listening for specific information	<b>Reading</b> Sentence completion  Matching headings to paragraphs	<b>Writing</b> Sentences of comparison  Discursive essays: topic sentences	<b>Speaking</b> Pronunciation of weak and strong forms  <b>Grammar</b> Shouldn't / mustn't	<b>Revision exercises</b>  <b>Mini Practice test</b>
12:40 - 13:30	Lunch Break				
13:30 - 14:30	<b>Grammar</b> Positive/negative comparatives & superlatives  <b>Listening</b> Note completion Matching	<b>Reading</b> Summarising	<b>Writing</b> Discursive essays: topic sentences	<b>Speaking</b> Talking about ability Part3 Expressing and justifying opinions	<b>Mini Practice test</b>



A portrait of Marina Hara, a young woman with long, dark, wavy hair, wearing a blue and white striped shirt. She is looking slightly to the left of the camera with a gentle smile. The background is a plain, light-colored wall with a door handle and a small sign that says '014' visible on the right side.

### TECSOL & J-SHINE

Marina Hara from Japan

I did the La Lingua TECSOL course because I like children and want to teach English to kids in Japan. I heard the TECSOL course is usually very hard and boring, from people who already did the course in other schools. However, La Lingua's TECSOL course was really useful and very fun! The teacher is great, experienced and friendly. I learnt a lot of games and songs, which make children feel happy and enjoy learning English. The staff at La Lingua is also very kind. I believe that I could not complete such a hard course without their support. Thank you, La Lingua!!

# English for Teaching Children (TECSOL)

[062608K]

Level: Intermediate to Advanced  
 9:30am - 3:30pm (Mon - Fri)  
 25 hours per week  
 Duration: 5 weeks + 1 week Practicum

- Course includes Intensive Pronunciation
- The qualification is accepted internationally
- Hands on teaching experience

The mission of this course is to train inspired and motivated English teachers for children of the world. We are proud of our La Lingua teaching methods and we want to share them. We want you to show children in your country that learning English is fun!

In our TECSOL course you will discover how to plan exciting lessons, manage a class, and teach reading and writing using phonics. You will learn a lot of English songs, games, chants, stories and activities, and practice teaching them. You will learn how to teach young children to speak English. At the same time you will improve your English, especially your pronunciation.

We arrange a wonderful opportunity for you to work with Australian children and watch Australian teachers in action.



I decided to study La Lingua's TECSOL course because I was interested in teaching English to children in my home country. La Lingua's TECSOL course was challenging but really fun at the same time. I acquired valuable teaching skills and my own English ability improved greatly. I'm looking forward to using my new teaching knowledge with children back in Italy.

Franco Di Carlo from Italy

## SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLE: English for Teaching Children (TECSOL)

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
9:30 - 11:00	<b>Introductions</b> Course Rules Explanation of Course Requirements	<b>Pronunciation</b> The Phonemic Chart	<b>Pronunciation</b> The Sounds of English	<b>Child Development</b> 7-9 and 10-12 years old	<b>Pronunciation</b> Intonation
11:00 - 11:10	Break				
11:10 - 12:40	<b>Classroom Management</b> Classroom Organisation, Classroom Set-Up	<b>Child Development</b> Introduction	<b>Pronunciation</b> Stress and Connected Speech	<b>Games</b> Forming groups and Scoring Games	<b>Classroom Management</b> Routines and Problems
12:40 - 13:30	Lunch Break				
13:30 - 15:30	<b>Classroom Management</b> Classroom Organisation and Routines	<b>Child Development</b> 4-6 years old	<b>Games</b> Instructions and Organisation	<b>Games</b> Card and Board Games	<b>Teaching Practice</b> Games Lesson

# English for TESOL [076662M]

Level: Upper Intermediate to Advanced  
 9:30am - 3:30pm (Mon - Fri)  
 25 hours per week  
 Duration: 6 weeks



As English continues to grow in importance as a global language, there is a demand for more and more English teachers. If you are considering a career as an English teacher our English for TESOL course is an extremely intensive program designed to bring you one step closer to your dream.

We focus on improving your knowledge of the grammar, vocabulary and sound systems in the English language. At the same time we give you a solid background in English teaching theory and practice.

Based on the Cambridge Teaching Knowledge Test La Lingua's six week English for TESOL course is suitable for experienced teachers who wish to update their teaching skills and also for anyone who really wants to upgrade their English, and learn how to teach.

# Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE) Preparation Course [067945G]

Level: Upper Intermediate  
 9:30am - 2:30pm (Mon - Fri)  
 20 hours per week  
 Duration: 12 weeks

The Cambridge First Certificate is recognised by more than 8,500 employers and government bodies around the world. It is an international standard of Upper-Intermediate English ability. Training in effective examination techniques, including practice exams ensures that you get results that reflect your full capabilities.

SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLE					
Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE) Preparation Course					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
9:30   11:00	<b>Vocabulary</b> for cities and culture Word Formation	<b>Homework</b> Review Exam practice: open cloze Writing E-mail	<b>Homework</b> Review Writing: E-mail Listening Sentence completion	<b>Speaking</b> Giving opinions and paraphrasing	<b>Reading</b> Multiple matching
11:10   12:40	<b>Reading</b> Gapped text	<b>Writing</b> (cont.) E-mail	<b>vocabulary</b> for the environment Game: Animal Court	<b>Use of English</b> Open cloze Multiple choice cloze	<b>Language Development</b> Nouns and adjectives Module Review
13:30   14:30	<b>Language Development</b> Adjectives and adverbs	<b>Listening</b> For specific information	<b>Speaking</b> Comparing and contrasting photos	<b>Language Development</b> forms and infinitives	<b>Game</b> The environment

# Realworld Business English [039853M]

Level: Upper Intermediate to Advanced  
 9:30am - 2:30pm (Mon - Fri)  
 20 hours per week  
 Duration: 12 weeks

Opportunities will open up with La Lingua's Business English course. With our unique focus on practical communication, you will learn how to function in a broad range of occupations from office administration to finance, marketing and sales.

This course provides essential vocabulary and naturalistic role-plays of real business scenarios, such as meetings, interviews and presentations.

You will also learn international business etiquette, how to build business relationships and how to comment on current affairs and news with confidence.



SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLE: Business English					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Topic	Arranging Meetings	Meeting Procedures	Discussions	Business Presentations	Business Presentations
9:30 - 11:00	<b>Vocabulary:</b> Meetings Speaking	<b>Speaking:</b> Beginning a meeting	<b>Speaking:</b> Diplomatic language	<b>Listening:</b> For main ideas	<b>Audio-visual:</b> A business presentation
11:00 - 11:10			Break		
11:10 - 12:40	<b>Speaking:</b> Planning and describing an agenda	<b>Grammar:</b> Suffixes; Prepositional phrases	<b>Grammar:</b> Present and past simple	<b>Speaking:</b> Announcing and justifying decisions	<b>Role-play:</b> A Meeting
12:40 - 13:30			Lunch Break		
13:30 - 14:30	<b>Writing</b> a memo Future tenses	<b>Role-play:</b> Introducing speakers	<b>Writing</b> a summary	<b>Writing:</b> Editing a meeting summary	<b>Writing:</b> A report Paragraph structure Linking words

## Part-time Intensive English Pronunciation Course

(\*not suitable as a main course for Student Visa holders)

Level: Pre Intermediate to Upper Intermediate  
 16:00pm - 17:30pm (Mon - Thu)  
 6 hours per week  
 Duration: 2 weeks

Whether you are working, studying another course, or just in Sydney on holiday, our intensive pronunciation course will help you understand native speakers and speak more clearly and confidently. You will learn how to produce sounds accurately and speak more smoothly and fluently.





# La Lingua Fun...



**La Lingua isn't only a language school, but a place for fun!!**

La Lingua regularly holds parties, and special events. Students can participate in sports activities or volunteer work, make friends at regularly held pub nights or try dance lessons or yoga classes.

## Other Activities

- Beach barbecues - experience an Aussie style BBQ
- Organised day trips to famous places around Sydney
- See unique Australian wildlife
- Snow or surf weekend adventures
- Make friends and have fun trying something new and exciting



# Accommodation

La Lingua can arrange two types of Student Accommodation.

## Share Accommodation

La Lingua can arrange share accommodation for students who want to live independently. Students share a fully furnished house or apartment style accommodation with others, with full use of facilities. Houses or apartments are usually located close to public transport and within 30 minute travel time of the city.



Share

Homestay

## Homestay

A homestay is one of the experiences that you will remember for the rest of your life! Students can stay with a family to experience the Australian lifestyle and practice day to day English, and have a real cultural experience. Breakfast and the evening meal are provided and lunch on the weekends.

## Airport pick up

We arrange airport pick up on your arrival in Sydney. One of our staff will welcome you, so you can enjoy your flight without worrying about the hassle of getting to your host family or share accommodation.



Language Lab



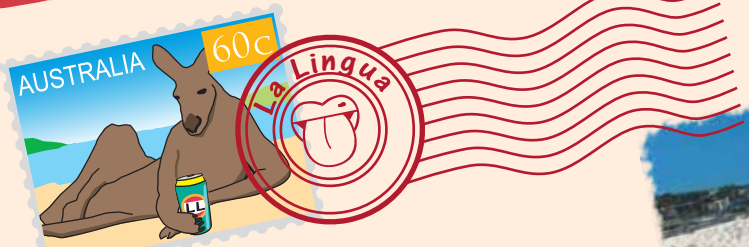
Students Lounge



Free Internet

## Feel at home & enjoy our school facilities

- Free internet
- Students lounge
- Kitchen facilities
- La Lingua cafe
- Language Lab
- Audio room
- Wi-Fi connection available
- Located right in the centre of the city



# Hey Guys,

When you come to Sydney you can enjoy cool activities like surfing, scuba diving, playing beach volleyball, sky diving, and having a real Aussie BBQ on the beach!



Don't forget to check out the unique Australian wildlife at Taronga Zoo, and Wildlife World. See things like, kangaroos, kookaburras, echidnas, emus, and the famous koala!



Have the best experiences at La Lingua while learning English and making new friends from all around the world! Learn to live in a different culture and take these lasting memories back with you.



See you all soon  
Love, all the La Lingua Staff



La Lingua has a sister school in Sydney  
**St George Institute of Studies**

