

# How to Teach IELTS

Ultimate IELTS Course for Teachers

**8 weeks + 4 months** access to all the materials

**8 Zoom Sessions + Materials on Online Platform + Support Chat**

All Zoom sessions are recorded and you **can watch the recordings**

**3 February – 23 March, 2024**

**On Saturdays at 11.00-12.30 Moscow time**

Weeks	Programme
Week 1	Live Zoom Session <b>03.02</b> at <b>11.00-12.30 (Moscow time)</b> IELTS ABCs IELTS Writing part 1 Essentials: Graphs
Week 2	Live Zoom Session <b>10.02</b> at <b>11.00-12.30</b> Writing part 1 Assessment (Graphs) IELTS Writing part 1: Letters
Week 3	Live Zoom Session <b>17.02</b> at <b>11.00-12.30</b> IELTS Writing Part 2 Essentials + Assessment
Week 4	Live Zoom Session <b>24.02</b> at <b>10.00-11.30</b> IELTS Listening Essentials How to Teach Listening (+ games + activities)
Week 5	Live Zoom Session <b>02.03</b> at <b>11.00-12.30</b> IELTS Reading Essentials How to Teach Reading (+ games + activities)
Week 6	Live Zoom Session <b>09.03</b> at <b>11.00-12.30</b> IELTS Speaking Essentials + Assessment
Week 7	Live Zoom Session <b>16.03</b> at <b>11.00-12.30</b> IELTS Teaching: how to plan a course/lessons/how to teach writing/speaking IELTS Games and Activities to spice up your classes
Week 8	Live Zoom Session <b>23.03</b> at <b>11.00-12.30</b> Review of all the Units. Final Quiz. Revision Activities.
4 months	All the Course materials are available to you for further studies.
2 extra months	1500 RUB for 2 months You can extend as many times as you need

## DETAILED COURSE PROGRAMME

### Pre-Course Tasks

- ✓ You complete full Listening and Reading tests and then check your answers. You'll be given access to the tests by your trainer.
- ✓ Ideally before you start Unit 1 you should complete full IELTS Listening, Reading and know your band score for these parts. Being in your students' shoes are quite useful. Plus, you can then tell your students that you've done a mock IELTS test and know what they are going through.

# WEEK 1

## Interactive Class on Zoom 1:

**Part 1:** General IELTS Information; Reading and Listening, Writing and Speaking; Exam strategies, computer-delivered test vs. paper-based test; tricks and traps

**Part 2:** IELTS Academic Writing Task 1 tasks requirements and tricks

## Unit 1 IELTS ABCs

- Test formats: computer-delivered test vs. paper-based test, IELTS Life Skills, IELTS UKVI
- Typical tasks in Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking
- Practical issues: use a pen or pencil, can I take a watch? Who are the examiners?
- Appeal Procedure and what to tell your students about it?
- IELTS course books and supplementary materials: detailed input on all major books
- Reliable IELTS online resources: input on websites, apps, free courses, Instagram accounts, IELTS movers and shakers, YouTube channels

## Unit 2 Writing Part 1 Graphs

- IELTS Academic: all graphs types and what is expected of students to do in each graph
- IELTS General: different types of letters and the tasks requirements
- How to describe various graphs: addressing the task, structure, linking, vocabulary/grammar
- How to write letters: addressing the task, structure, linking, vocabulary and grammar
- Methodology: how to help students with graphs; lesson tasks and activities; which course books to use?

**Tasks:** *Analysing Band Descriptors, Online Knowledge Checks/Quiz Shows, practicing grading Task 1 answers using the band descriptors as a guide, watching webinars.*

## WEEK 2

### Writing Part 1 Assessment

#### Interactive Class on Zoom 2:

Writing part 1 Assessment: Writing Assessment; how to understand IELTS band descriptors? How to assess graphs/letters? What's the difference between 6.0 and 6.5? 7.0-8.0?

We'll cover the assessment criteria and analyze the official band descriptors thoroughly to understand the differences between the bands. You'll learn how to use the band descriptors while assessing graphs/letters and will practice marking various papers comparing your assessment to the examiners' comments.

### Writing Part 1 Assessment Graphs+ Letters:

- Writing Assessment Criteria: understanding band descriptors and how to use them; differences between bands and what is expected at different levels
- Atypical Answers: understanding why candidates don't achieve their desired score because of negative features in their answers
- Writing Assessment Method: how to assess students' Task 1 answers? Step by step guide; How to deal with atypical answers and which Bands can be rewarded?
- Assessment practice: grading graphs and letters, then comparing them against the official grading; understanding how the public Band Descriptors are applied and practicing using them while grading

**Tasks:** *Analysing Band Descriptors, Online Knowledge Checks/Quiz Shows, practicing grading essays using the band descriptors as a guide, watching webinars/videos*

## WEEK 3

### Writing Part 2 Essay Essentials + Assessment

#### Interactive Class on Zoom 3:

**Part 1:** IELTS Writing Part 2 Essentials

**Part 2:** IELTS Essay Assessment: how to understand IELTS band descriptors? How to assess essays? What's the difference between 6.0 and 6.5?

We focus on how we can help our students to write effective essays. This includes helping them out with planning, recognizing various essay questions; structuring the essay well, writing an introduction, body paragraphs and conclusion effectively; supporting the main ideas and including examples.

We'll cover the assessment criteria and analyze the official band descriptors thoroughly to understand the differences between the bands. You'll learn how to use the band descriptors while assessing essays and will practice marking various essays comparing your assessment to the examiners' comments.

#### IELTS Writing Part 2 Essentials

- Task requirements and tricks
- Typical questions and what is expected of students to do for a decent score
- How to write IELTS essays: addressing the task, structure, linking, vocabulary and grammar
- Typical questions and what is expected of students to do for a decent score.

#### IELTS Essay Assessment

- Writing Assessment Criteria: understanding band descriptors and how to use them; differences between bands and what is expected at different levels
- Writing Assessment Method: how to assess students' essays? Step by step guide; examples of marking
- Assessment practice: grading essays, then comparing them against the official grading; understanding how the public Band Descriptors are applied and practising using them while grading
- How to help students with essays: how to teach an effective essay lesson? Essay worksheets

**Tasks:** watching webinars, quizzes, reading articles, completing IELTS listening and reading tests + digesting IELTS Writing and completing the tasks from units 2-3

## WEEK 4

### IELTS Listening + Teaching Listening

#### Interactive Class on Zoom 4:

**Part 1:** IELTS Listening: tasks, tricks, tips and typical errors; strategies, dos and don'ts; what should you teach them about listening?

**Part 2:** How to Teach Listening: how to plan and teach an effective online/offline IELTS listening lesson? Lesson stages; dos and don'ts; teaching life hacks. IELTS games and activities to spice up your classes

#### IELTS Listening:

- Listening Scores
- Listening life hacks
- Paper based listening vs. computer delivered tests
- Listening resources, books and online tools
- How to stage a listening lesson?
- Entertaining games and activities to use in your listening classes
- How to help students with spelling in Listening

#### How to Teach Listening

- IELTS teaching online and offline; easy to use online tools
- Lesson Planning: Listening Stages and Procedures
- **Handouts and Worksheets** you can use with your students in your IELTS classes
- Which **books** to use to add variety to your IELTS classes?
- **IELTS Teaching Challenges:** how to work with mixed levels? What to do with homework? How to engage students? What to do with lower levels?

**Tasks:** *doing full IELTS Reading, watching webinars, quizzes, reading articles, + digesting IELTS Writing assessment and more practice with grading*

## WEEK 5

### IELTS Reading + Teaching Reading

#### Interactive Class on Zoom 5:

**Part 1:** IELTS Reading: tasks, tricks, tips and typical errors; strategies, dos and don'ts; Doing the most challenging reading task types + the method

**Part 2:** How to Teach Reading: how to plan and teach an effective online/offline IELTS reading lesson? Lesson stages; dos and don'ts; teaching life hacks. IELTS games and activities to spice up your classes

#### IELTS Reading:

- Common text types and tasks; sub-skills which you should develop
- Reading life hacks
- Doing T/F/NG + the method and effective strategies
- Doing headings and multiple choice tasks
- Paper based reading vs. computer delivered tests

#### How to Teach Reading

- IELTS teaching online and offline; easy to use online tools
- Lesson Planning: Reading Stages and Procedures
- Handouts and Worksheets you can use with your students in your IELTS classes
- Which books to use to add variety to your IELTS classes?

**Tasks:** *Analysing Band Descriptors, Online Knowledge Checks/Quizzes, practicing grading speaking tests using the band descriptors as a guide, watching webinars/Videos/IELTS Speaking Course*

## WEEK 6

### IELTS Speaking + Assessment

#### Interactive Class on Zoom 6:

**Part 1:** IELTS Speaking tasks requirements

**Part 2:** IELTS Speaking Assessment, how to understand Speaking band descriptors? How to assess speaking? What's the difference between various bands? Speaking Assessment practice

### IELTS Speaking Task Requirements

- Current IELTS speaking questions and insights from examiners
- What is expected of students to do for a high score
- Typical errors
- Speaking dos and don'ts
- IELTS Speaking Parts and Life hacks

### IELTS Speaking Assessment:

- Speaking Assessment Criteria: understanding band descriptors and how to use them; differences between bands and what is expected at different levels
- Speaking Assessment Method: how to assess students? Step by step guide; examples of speaking answers (recordings/videos)
- Assessment practice: grading speaking, then comparing it against the official comments; understanding how the Band Descriptors are applied; practising using them while grading
- How to help students with Speaking: how to teach Speaking? Speaking classroom activities/worksheets



## WEEK 7

### Interactive Class on Zoom 7:

**Part 1:** Teaching: how to plan an IELTS course/lessons. How to teach IELTS Writing and Speaking, Lesson stages; dos and don'ts; teaching life hacks

**Part 2:** IELTS games and activities

### IELTS Teaching, Games and Activities:

- IELTS teaching online and offline; easy to use online tools
- Lesson Planning: Writing and Speaking Lesson Stages and Procedures
- **Handouts and Worksheets** you can use with your students in your IELTS classes
- Which **books** to use to add variety to your IELTS classes?
- IELTS **Teaching Challenges**: how to work with mixed levels? What to do with homework? How to engage students? What to do with lower levels?
- Planning an IELTS course: sample **pacing schedules** for various courses with handouts
- Using IELTS **check lists** to make sure you covered all exam task types: all IELTS tasks checklist and Speaking Topics checklist
- Planning your 45-minute IELTS lesson, receiving advice from your trainer

## WEEK 8

### Interactive Class on Zoom 8:

- ✓ Final IELTS Quiz
- ✓ Revision Activities
- ✓ Q/A on IELTS teaching and resources

**WhatsApp Support Chat** will be there for you after the course.

You can use the course platform for **4 months** after you complete the course.

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