

**WEA Course information sheet  
2019-20**

<b>Course title:</b> First Steps in ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)		<b>Course ID:</b> C3127177
<b>Start date:</b> 22/04/2020	<b>End date:</b> 09/07/2020	<b>Day(s)/time(s):</b> Wed 09:15, Thu 09:15
<b>Number of sessions:</b> 22	<b>Hours per session:</b> 2	<b>Tutor</b> Nina Rana
<b>Additional hours:</b> 1	<b>Online Learning Hours:</b> 0	
<b>Specific funder/partner requirements:</b>		
<b>Awarding body (if any):</b> <b>Title of qualification to be gained:</b>		<b>Level:</b> Pre-entry
<b>Fee:</b> £175.50 or <b>Free</b> if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) <b>Accreditation Fee</b> (if applicable):		
<b>Venue:</b> Summerfield Primary School, 133 Heath Street, Birmingham, West Midlands, B18 4DA		
<b>Theme(s):</b> The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision. <b>Employability</b> – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing <b>Community Engagement</b> – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities <b>Culture</b> – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments  The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:  1. <b>Employability</b> 2.		

**Course Aim**

This course will help you to start speaking, listening, reading and writing in English. It is for people who have not been to an ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) class before and want to start learning English.

**Course Description**

We will learn how to say and write the letters in the English alphabet. We will use everyday situations (like travel, shopping, health and where you live) to learn new words and read common signs. We will practice short conversations, and listening for information, to help you talk to ask and answer questions about yourself. This can help you to feel more independent, for example when you go to the doctor or to join a local group.

**Do I need any particular skills or experience?**

**What will I achieve?**

**By the end of the course I will be able to:**

1. Write numbers, and letters of the alphabet using lower and upper case.
2. Spell some common words.
3. Read some common words, signs and symbols in everyday situations.
4. Ask and answer questions about myself.

5. Listen for information in everyday situations.

**What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?**

- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning

**What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?**

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion  
- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor  
- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning  
- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions  
- There will be a number of tasks appropriate to your course such as written work, creating art or craft, video, photography or small projects. Some of these may be marked to help you progress

**What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?**

- A selection of materials and basic equipment will be provided but you are welcome to bring additional materials with you  
- Official document(s) showing your name, address, date of birth  
Certificates for English / English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) qualifications you have.  
Paper, pen/pencil to every lesson, folder to put your work in, small notebook.

**Pre-course work, reading and information sources**

- No pre reading or pre course work is required  
- It is useful if you are already trying to use your English, e.g. talking to neighbours, reading signs, letters, and watching TV in English (maybe with subtitles).

**Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)**

- Progress to another WEA course  
- Progress to a course with another provider  
- This course could lead to a range of job opportunities. Follow link to National Careers Service for more details <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/>  
- Access the WEA What Next? booklet here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/what-can-i-do-next>

**Learning with the WEA**

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement

and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for some courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB  
Tel: 0300 303 3464 Email: [courseenquiries@wea.org.uk](mailto:courseenquiries@wea.org.uk)



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