

THE ACE CERTIFICATE IN TEACHING IELTS TEST PREPARATION COURSE OVERVIEW

This course is designed for language instructors who would like to increase their effectiveness in preparing their students for success on the IELTS test. We will first look at the theory and practice of teaching test preparation in general, and then we will zero in on the IELTS English language proficiency test to explore targeted ways to prepare students for test-taking success. This course involves a minimum of 14 instructional hours, in seven modules or lessons.

COURSE STRUCTURE

All the material you need to complete the course can be found in the learning management system. For each of the seven modules in the course, you will read a set of Lecture Notes and then complete a Task Journal, which you will submit to your instructor for feedback. You will also complete a short comprehension quiz for each module of the course. Additional online resources have been provided for most modules. These resources are NOT required for completion of the assessments. They are provided only for additional information and interest.

ASSESSMENTS

TASK JOURNALS (85%)

You will complete a Task Journal for each module of the course. Your instructor will assess your understanding of each module based on the correctness and completeness of your responses in the Task Journal. Tasks include answering discussion and short answer questions and completing short curriculum design tasks. Please submit each Task Journal as you complete it, so that you can receive feedback from your instructor as you work through the course.

Each Task Journal will be marked out of five using the following scale:

- A zero (0) means you have not completed all the work required in the Task Journal.
- A one (1) means you completed the Task Journal at a highly unsatisfactory level.
- A two (2) means you completed the Task Journal at an unsatisfactory level.
- A three (3) means you completed the Task Journal at a satisfactory level.
- A four (4) means you completed the Task Journal above a satisfactory level.
- A five (5) means you completed the Task Journal far above a satisfactory level.

Your Task Journals are worth 85% of your course grade. The total number of marks allocated for the Task Journals is 35 marks which will be converted into a mark out of 85.

QUIZZES (15%)

For each module, you will also complete a short quiz testing your knowledge of the concepts covered in that module. Your quizzes are worth 15% of your course grade. The total number of marks allocated for the quizzes is 35 marks which will be converted into a mark out of 15.

In order to successfully complete the course and receive certification, you must complete all of the Task Journals and quizzes and receive a 70% minimum score on each.