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# Cambridge English

*for Teaching*

# CELTA

## Cambridge CELTA Course Online

*A flexible way to take CELTA, combining online study  
with live teaching practice*



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## Progress your English teaching career with CELTA

*Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA)* is a qualification that gives teachers the training they need to be successful language teachers and opens the door to exciting teaching opportunities all over the world.

First introduced in 1978, this teaching qualification has been known as *CELTA* since 1998 and is taken by over 10,000 trainee teachers every year. This highly regarded training course is accepted by thousands of language schools, universities and teaching organisations around the world.

Because *CELTA* places equal emphasis on both the principles of language teaching and practical teaching, it shows employers that a teacher has successfully completed a challenging programme of training, exploring not only the theory of teaching but also gaining valuable experience of teaching real classes.

Over **10,000** people successfully complete a *CELTA* course each year

## Why Cambridge CELTA Course Online?

A flexible way to take *CELTA*, combining online study with live teaching practice.

The *CELTA* course is now available in a blended learning format, combining flexible self-study with online tutor support and practical teaching experience.

### Relevant

*Cambridge CELTA Course Online* follows the same syllabus and leads to the same internationally recognised certificate as the face-to-face course. It also gives equal emphasis to theory and practical teaching.

*Cambridge CELTA Course Online*:

- explores the principles of effective teaching
- develops a range of practical skills for teaching English to adult learners
- provides essential hands-on teaching practice.

### Flexible

Individual centres will set the duration of *Cambridge CELTA Course Online*. Typically courses will last between three and nine months.

The flexible format of *Cambridge CELTA Course Online* makes it ideal for people with busy lives. While trainees complete their course, it allows them to:

- study at their own pace
- plan their study around work and other commitments
- spend more time reflecting on and developing their learning.

### Accessible

Internet online learning allows greater choice and convenience for trainees.

Benefits include:

- materials accessible online at any time
- no special software required
- less time spent travelling to and from the centre.



## Online self-study

*Cambridge CELTA Course Online* allows trainees greater freedom in choosing how they work. As long as assignments are completed on time, the online format allows trainees to work at their own pace, when and where they choose.

### Online support

Trainees are assigned an online course tutor who will facilitate their group work and provide feedback on assignments and progress.

### Practical and interactive tasks

*Cambridge CELTA Course Online* uses multimedia technology to provide trainees with a flexible and engaging learning experience. Online tasks are designed to be highly practical and interactive, with guided video observation and forum discussion.

### Independent and collaborative learning

Trainees form part of an online community, working independently or collaboratively on forum and 'live room' (virtual real-time classroom) tasks with tutor support, evaluation and comment.

### Relevant course content

The online and face-to-face courses both cover the following topics:

- Learners and teachers, and the teaching and learning context
- Language analysis and awareness
- Language skills: reading, listening, speaking and writing
- Planning and resources for different contexts
- Developing teaching skills and professionalism.

### Written assignments

As well as the online tasks, trainees complete and submit four assessed written assignments on:

- Adult learners and learning contexts
- The language system of English
- Language skills
- Reflection on classroom teaching.

The written assignment element of *Cambridge CELTA Course Online* has the same requirements as the face-to-face course.



## Hands-on teaching practice

One of the reasons behind the success of *CELTA* is its strong practical element, giving trainees confidence and showing employers that they already have experience of teaching adult learners.

*Cambridge CELTA Course Online* uses exactly the same model of face-to-face supervised lesson planning, teaching practice, evaluation and feedback.

### Teaching real learners

Trainees learn to apply theory to practice by teaching classes of adult learners organised into practice groups. Each trainee completes six hours' assessed teaching practice. This involves teaching on at least eight occasions and observing the teaching of other trainees in the teaching practice group. Trainees teach learners at a minimum of two different levels, one of which will be lower than intermediate and the other intermediate level or higher.

### Observational learning

As well as gaining hands-on experience teaching genuine learners, trainees will:

- observe experienced teachers teaching classes of adult learners – at least six hours (three of which may be on video)
- watch peers teach their classes and participate in giving feedback.

### Support

Alongside their online course tutor, trainees will work with a teaching practice tutor. Both tutors work together to ensure a close link between theory and practice.

## What's next?

### Visit our website

You can find more detailed information about *Cambridge CELTA Course Online* and view the full syllabus at [www.CambridgeESOL.org/CELTA](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/CELTA)

### Try our online demo

You can get a clear idea of how the *Cambridge CELTA Course Online* works by watching the video demonstration at [www.CambridgeESOL.org/CELTA](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/CELTA)

### Any other questions?

We have a detailed list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) at [www.CambridgeESOL.org/CELTA-FAQ](http://www.CambridgeESOL.org/CELTA-FAQ)

If you have any further questions, the FAQ page also has a form where you can submit your query to the Cambridge ESOL Helpdesk.



*Cambridge CELTA Course Online* is designed and produced by the two leaders in the field of teacher training and assessment – University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations (Cambridge ESOL) and International House, London.

*Cambridge CELTA Course Online* is part of the internationally recognised Cambridge English for Teaching range of exams and qualifications. These provide a route into the English language teaching profession for new teachers, and first class career development opportunities for experienced teachers.

*CELTA* is accredited by Ofqual (the regulator of qualifications, examinations and assessments in England) at Level 5 on the Qualifications and Credit Framework.



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