

Course description

B2 lycée (2 year course)

Course objectives¹

By the end of the course, learners will be better able to

- understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation.
- interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party.
- produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.

Approach to learning

At the British Council we offer high quality, effective English teaching to help learners build confidence, become better communicators, and prepare for their future, all in a positive, safe and inclusive learning environment. We adopt a communicative approach based on language use in real situations and develop both fluency and accuracy in written and spoken English through a wide variety of classroom activities, supported by online learning exercises available on our learning hub.

For our lycée courses, we use **Upper Secondary Plus**, our exclusive and up-to-date course materials. Each year, your child will study five modules, each one focused on an engaging and contemporary theme and combining language work on grammar and vocabulary, all four skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening, and also "core skills": digital literacy, communication and collaboration, creativity and imagination, personal development, citizenship, and critical thinking. Each module culminates in a final, real-world style project so that they can apply their language skills in a practical manner.

Approach to assessment

The British Council takes an "Assessment for Learning" approach, and uses continuous assessment rather than final exams. Throughout the year, teachers give oral and written feedback on classwork, homework and the module projects. Learners add this feedback, and any examples of work they are proud of, to their portfolio. A progress meeting with learners, parents and the teacher happens in December, and a progress report is sent to parents in April.

Learners are also encouraged to engage with self and peer assessment in lesson activities and projects. This helps students think about their learning and the progress they are making, and find out what they are good at and what they need to improve. At the end of each lesson, teachers help students review their learning and record their thoughts in their Language Learning Notebook.

¹ https://www.coe.int/en/web/common-european-framework-reference-languages/table-1-cefr-3.3-common-reference-levels-global-scale www.britishcouncil.fr

Course syllabus (blue)

		Language Aims	Language skills	Core skills	Final Project
Sept-Oct The Secret to Success	BSecondary Plus Secondary Plus Seco	 Learn and use vocabulary related to success and failure. Identify and use language to express contrast, reason and purpose. Learn how to give a successful presentation. 	•	•	•
Nov-Dec What Makes a Hero	BSECONDARY Plus SECONDARY Plus WHAT MAKES A HE RO WHAT MAKES WH	 Read about and discuss your views on heroes and heroism. Learn and practise vocabulary to talk about heroes and heroic activities. Identify and use language for talking about people's lives and achievements. 	•	•	•
Jan-Feb My Story	Secondary Plus Secondary Plus MY STORY Washington MY STORY MY	 Read about DNA ancestor tests and summarise a story for your partner. Understand a presentation better by guessing the content. Increase your vocabulary with synonyms and antonyms. 	•	•	•
Mar-Apr A Right to Learn	Secondary Plus A RIGE TO LE RN TO MANUAL TO LE RN MANU	 Learn how to write effective crowdfunding letters. Practise different ways to take notes. Use compound nouns related to education. 	•	•	•
May-Jun Game On	BSecondary Plus GAME ON GAME ON THE REST OF THE PROPERTY OF	 Share views on what makes a successful video game. Learn and talk about the issue of gender in tech industries and other fields. Explore and use language to talk about conditions for things to happen. 	•	•	•

R = Reading, L = Listening, S = Speaking, W = Writing